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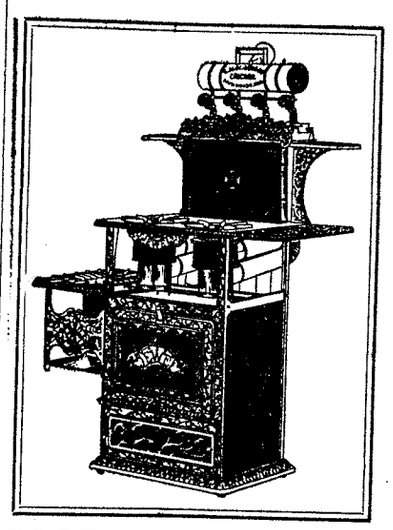

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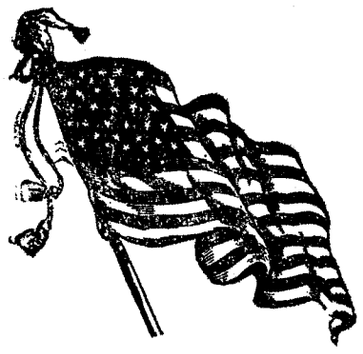

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BOWNE BUDGET.

June 7—Sleighing July 4th.

Those sick with measles are Harry Johnson, Wayne Benton, Mrs. C. L Morgan, Mrs. Chas. Smith and son.

Wayne Benton is dangerously sick, la grippe having set in. His life has been despaired of but he is better at this writing.

Children's Day will be observed next Sunday at this place and West Bowne. A complete program will be carried out.

Everybody is going to Lowell next Wednesday to the band tournament.

Mrs. Christman of Grand Rapids is visiting at Geo. Salsbury's.

Odd Fellows and Rebeccas of Alto and Freeport met at Bowne Center last Sunday to observe Memorial Day for those who lie at rest in Bowne cemetery. The memorial address was given by Rev. R. Wooton of Freeport followed by a few remarks by Rev. Mr. Renshaw, formerly of Alto. The lodges marched to the cemetery where the graves were decorated with beautiful flowers, as a token and remembrance of those gone before.

Miss Effie McDiarmid entertained a gentleman friend from Lowell last Sunday.

Katie Johnson entertained company from Lowell last week.

Alf. Miller and wife visited at Wm. Stauffer's, last Sunday.

BOWEN'S MILLS.

Bert Armstrong has bought a new carriage and harness.

John Curtis of Rutland visited his uncle, Judge Armstrong, Sunday.

Alonzo Still, jr., of Hastings was here Monday with a traveling man in the interest of a Chicago fence company. We understand this fence is to be manufactured in Middleville.

Farmers are taking their wool to Freeport and getting 17 and 20 cents per pound. Four wool buyers in that village.

E. H. Bowen & Son are having their houses repainted by Geo. Lunnon.

Hon. Alfred Wolcott of Grand Rapids and H. E. Hendrick were in this vicinity Tuesday on legal business.

Many road districts are mending their ways by drawing gravel.

We took in Gun lake a little while Sunday and noticed considerable improvements in cottages. Mr. Hendrick has improved his by repainting, M. S. Keeler is building a nice cottage, while others have improved theirs in many ways. Besides Mr. Streeter has built an entire new boat, making it 8 feet longer than the old one and wider.

Children's Day will be observed Sunday as usual with a good program.

DUNCAN LAKE.

June 8—"Jack Frost" put in an appearance last night. Guess he is a "summer boarder."

A great deal of fishing is being done on the lake these days.

Wm. Freeman and wife, also Henry Potts and wife, visited at E. P. Carpenter's, Thursday. Freeman and Potts each took a string of fish.

Z. M. Jones of Parmelee fame was at Duncan lake, Saturday. Mac claims to be the most patriotic citizen that Parmelee affords.

Your cor. and family attended church at Caledonia Sunday evening. The sermon by the Rev. Mr. Wightman of Grand Rapids was immense, the best we have heard in a long time.

Allan Bechtel rides in a new top buggy bought of J. E. Kennedy of Caledonia. We doff our hats to "Jim" as he drives by.

Our pathmaster Bechtel is having us mend our ways.

Myron Kilmer has had 2¼ miles of fence built on his place this spring by Harter and Scott of Parmelee. Myron can sleep nights now, as his farm is the best fenced one in this vicinity.

Mrs. Gamwell from near Wayland was here last week looking after her mill property. She was accompanied by a Mr. Stringham.

Iva Adam and sister, Lydia, were in Grand Rapids, Saturday.

"Laugh and the world will laugh with you,
Weep and you weep alone.
This grand old earth must borrow its mirth,
It has sorrow enough of its own."

Glenn Freeman and Julien Potts of East Thornapple were the guests of Rolla Carpenter last Thursday.

Homer Freeland was seen on Mill street, Sunday. Homer is principal of the Dutton schools.

DORR DOTTS.

From the Record.

Hopkins Sta. people have sent about $20 to famine sufferers in India.

Theodore Myers has sold 20 acres located in Byron one-half mile north of the town line to E. S. Botsford, consideration $400.

Guy Chesebro returned Friday from northern Michigan where he has been working for about four years.

Tuesday forenoon at 10 o'clock, Lizzie Krumback and Herman Kammon both of this township were united in marriage at the residence of the bride's parents. Rev. M. Link of Hopkins officiated.

Mrs. H. B. Clack is attending a state convention of the W. C. T. U. at Benton Harbor this week.

In a letter to the Record under date of May 30, Rev. Peter Esper of North Branch, formerly of Nerth Dorr, says: Today I move to Brown City where I am erecting a church to cost about $2,000. My Rev. Brother Michael is now pastor of Crosswell, 22 miles from Brown City.

Fitch Hill a farmer of Byron township, aged 60 years, suicided last Friday by taking strychnine. It is said that he had threatened to kill himself for a number of years, whenever his temper occasioned family trouble, and it is believed that his mind was slightly deranged. At about 10 o'clock Friday forenoon he went out to the pump with a package of strychnine in the cup, which he filled with water and drank, refilling the cup several times afterwards. He then lighted his pipe and went to the barn, from which he returned to the house in a few moments and sat talking with his nephew, who was the only person at home, his wife having gone over to her son's house on the same farm, a short distance away. Hill soon felt ill and requested his nephew to remove his boots. The boy pulled off one, but before he could get at the other Hill stumbled over to the bed, on which he fell, and a half hour after he had taken the fatal dose he was dead. He had lived in Byron all his life and leaves several grown-up children. He was a rather eccentric character. The inquest was held before Justice Collins and the funeral held at 1 o'clock. The poison was obtained from White & White of Grand Rapids.

EAST CALEDONIA.

Miss Maud Brewer of McCord's spent Sunday with her teacher, Miss Hessa Winks.

Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Proctor were the guests of Mr. A. H. McNeil and family of Dutton, Sunday.

Miss Daisy Dowling of Middleville visited Miss Gertie Baker, Saturday and Sunday.

The L. A. S. at Mrs. L. C. Rathbun's Wednesday was well attended. The next one will be held at Mrs. A. E. Dutcher's, June 30.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Burkhardt of Caledonia visited at Mr. Wm. Schrader's, Sunday.

Mrs. Chas. Sanborn and Mrs. Elmer Rewland are visiting the latter's sister, Mrs. Lewis McLeod, of Martin.

Rev. O. E. Wightman of Grand Rapids delivered an interesting sermon at this place Sunday.

Mrs. Lewis Schrader and Mrs. M. Teeple were in your village, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Rathbun and son were guests at Frank Streeter's of Whitneyville, Sunday.

Mr. Wm. Sears and family of McCord's visited at D. H. McWhinney's, Saturday evening and Sunday.

Children's Day exercises will be held at this place Sunday evening, June 20.

Mrs. Warren Streeter of Whitneyville visited friends and relatives in this place last week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Barbour of Caledonia Sundayed at Lewis Smith's.

FREEPORT FLASHES.

From the Herald.

New cases of the measles continue to develop.

School commenced in the high school department, Tuesday morning.

Claude Sisson is at home from Ferris business college, Big Rapids, for a vacation.

A. M. Herrington and wife are the proud possessors of a new daughter, born Monday morning.

The condition of Wesley Fox, who has been so dangerously ill the past week, is reported much improved at this writing.

The report that Freeport has a case of scarlet fever is erroneous, it simply being a case of measles, with all its accompaniments.

The Brown and Carlton Center schools will hold township graduation exercises in Barnum's grove, Wednesday, June 16, 2 o'clock p. m.

It is astonishing the quantity of milk that is coming to the Freeport creamery daily. It is no longer an experiment, but one of Freeport's most paying institutions.

We have been requested to announce that the Fourth of July would be celebrated in Freeport.

LEIGHTON LOCALS.

June 7—Mrs. Frank Barrell and son, Albert, drove to Allegan, last Tuesday.

The ice-cream social, Tuesday evening, was largely attended and a good time was enjoyed by all present.

A. I. Winger visited his parents in Salem, recently.

Chas. Finkbeiner has broken the ground for an addition to his house.

E. A. Corning has just completed an addition to his house.

Mr. Chas. Wiggins, Mrs. Adam Clemens and daughter, Effie, are visiting relatives in Chicago.

The schools of district No. 2 and of Corning intend to picnic at Green lake Thursday.

Children's Day exercises will be held in the Corning M. E. church, Sunday afternoon. A good program is being prepared.

Chas., Mary and Trudie Lewis, also Frank Lanten of near Grand Rapids, visited at R. Steeby's, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Barrell and son of Hastings visited at Mrs. Frank Barrell's last week.

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NORTH IRVING.

School closed at this place last Wednesday. Miss Rena Trego, the teacher, invited a few of the pupils of Rutland No. 1 and of the Powers school, together with her own pupils, to her home and a very pleasant time was had by them till tea time, when refreshments were served with ice-cream and cake.

Mrs. Ethel Fausey visited her parents and friends here a part of last week

One of the ponds near Ryan school house was somewhat agitated recently, not by an earthquake nor by large fish being taken from it, but by a fair young lady falling from her wheel into it while riding to her school. But for the aid of one of the neighbors, someone might have got into the mud.

Parties from Freeport were on our streets one day last week trying to buy potatoes at 12c.

Geo. Hubbard was in Parmelee Saturday loading lumber.

Miss Bertha Ryder of Hastings visited Miss Ella Hubbard last week.

Messrs. Coulter, Southerland, Roberts and Walker with their wives attended church at Rutland last Sunday.

Mrs. E. J. Cobb attended church at Rutland Sunday and visited Irving friends several days recently.

Frost the 7th of June doing slight damage.

Frank Lancaster has purchased a new horse.

Frances McCullah visited south of Irving a part of last week.

E. L. Sunday evening led by Charlie Moore.

PARMELEE PICKINGS.

A warm day or two of late has lessened the gloom which has hung over Parmelee for some time and the community is feeling a little more cheerful.

Mr. Abrams, who was injured while getting off the train in Middleville Saturday, has the sympathy of his numerous friends in Parmelee.

Good health prevails among the inhabitants. Those who are afflicted have passed the danger point. Consequently there is no call for physicians just now.

O. B. Barber of East Caledonia was greeted by his Parmelee friends last Friday.

Mrs. Lewis Handerson of Leighton, who has been spending a week with Erwin Skinner's people in East Thornapple, returned to her home last Sunday.

Miss Lillie Morgan of your village spent Saturday and Sunday with her school-mate and friend, Miss Mary Jenkins, of East Church street.

Rob't Allen, Clarence Stimson and John Kepkey with their families enjoyed last Saturday at Barlow lake returning with a nice catch of fish.

Newell Williams of Windmill street advises the people of Parmelee to give their corn plenty of quinine. He has tried it and says "it helps it out."

John Mongerson spent Wednesday in Grand Rapids.

Esq. Cobb observed while passing along our streets last Wednesday that "the wheat crop in this section was doomed this year" and among other things, spoke freely of the financial affairs of the country, contrasting the present with the past, and did it equally as well as Wanamaker, Depew or Mark Hanna. Come again.

Oscar White writes home that he is enjoying his California and Oregon visit in the fullest sense of the word.

Rumor has it that Frank Morgan and wife selected bicycles while at the factory in Grand Rapids, recently. Clear the track!

Cut the rpe out of the wheat and but little will remain. Some of the farmers say "they prefer the succotash."

Elder White of Grand Rapids preached in Parmelee last Sunday.

Since the recent litigation has been going on in our peace-loving community another word has been added to our vocabulary, "transferable." It has been used so often at the table, on the farm and in the highways that the little boys and girls are well acquainted with its meaning and probably will never forget it. If it ever does pass from their memory it will be a miracle.

A reward is offered by a man living in Parmelee for the person who lives now or ever did live at the *center* of Yankee Springs. He says they always tell him they live just in the *edge*.

E. R. Skiff has kept a large crew of men this week at his lumber yard leading cars for the M. C. R. R. Co.

How will it be about "over production this year.

Mrs. Frank Hinkley and Mrs. Henry Toner are visiting in Kalamazoo this week.

Would-be lawyers, jurymen, witnesses and constables without number came to Parmelee from all directions last Saturday morning to enjoy the lawsuit. They came on foot, on railroad, in carriages, on horse-back, on mule-back, in platoons and awheel. The propelling motive seemed to be enjoyment and as the complainant in the case failed to appear, the disappointed crowd turned their backs on the peace-loving hamlet and went home and spent the remainder of the day fighting their own battles with the great army of cut-worms.

The prevailing song just now is, Oh, What Will the Harvest Be?

Lawrence and Gies have just completed a very fine job of painting on the store at this place which attracts much attention to the passer-by. We take it that the "old gold" trimming on the front signifies that the proprietor is still in favor of the present prosperity, and, likewise, a friend to the "single standard."

Correspondence on fourth page.

JUST FOR A LITTLE WHILE.

If for the little while
That life has left to me, fair fortune's smile
Could rest upon me; if my closing days
Could be like this October, all ablaze
With gold and scarlet; if I only might
Have hands both of silvery delight,
And all that wealth can buy, or wealth refine,
Could be at my command at wish of mine,
Just for a little while!
My child, take what is given to-day—
A little money for a little way.

If for the little while
That life has left to me, the Muse's smile
Could rest upon me; if my closing days
Could be like this glad morning, all ablaze
With sunlit fields and mountain tops of thought,
My poems be in every language sought;
If all that noblest genius can combine
Could come together at some word of mine,
Just for a little while!
My child, take what is given to-day—
A little knowledge for a little way.

If for the little while
That life has left to me, full many a mile
On land or sea, to east or west or north,
Across the world, I could at last go forth;
If I might mount the heights of Greece or Rome,
Instead of climbing little hills at home;
If I might all the Alpine mountains view,
Instead of watching shadows on Mt. Blue,
Just for a little while!
My child, take what is given to-day—
A little climbing for a little way.

If for a little while
I could be rich; if pile on pile
Of gold or gems could be at last my own,
To take and keep, or to be let alone;
If I could have enough to give away
To every sufferer, bid the wanderer stay
And eat and drink his fill; if every eye
Looked up with gratitude as I passed by,
Just for a little while!
My child, take what is given to-day—
A little help for a little way.

If for the little while
That life has left to me, affection's smile
Could rest upon me; if my closing days
Could be, like starry evenings, all ablaze
With blessedness; if lips I love could say—
"It is so good to be with you to-day;"
If all that heart can hold of happiness
Could be my own, unfathomed, measureless,
Just for a little while!
My child, take what is given you to-day—
A little loving for a little way.
—Julia H. May.

GOOD WEIGHT.

Lillian Snell, teacher of the first grade in building No. 3, public schools of Windsor, turned quickly from the blackboard whereon she had been drawing a pert wren swinging on a spray of clover.

"Who is crying?" she asked, in a sweet, firm voice.

"It is little Agnes Gregory," volunteered a dimple-faced boy who sat near.

Miss Snell crossed the room and bent over the child.

"Agnes, little sunshine lassie, what is it? Can you not tell me all about it?"

Sobs were Agnes' only reply. Miss Snell kissed her gently, then went back to her work. When it was finished and the children all provided with work, she lifted the sobbing child and tenderly carried her to the teacher's desk. Here, somewhat removed from the curious little ones, Lilian set about soothing her pupil.

Agnes was a pretty fair-faced child of 6. She had sunny blue eyes and her hair, a golden chestnut, curled about her face and neck. Her clothing was clean, but well worn, and Lilian noticed the gaping hole in the tiny shoes as well as the thinness of the faded dress. Noticed it with a sympathetic thrill of the heart that throbbed with something of the divine spirit of motherhood toward the children in her care.

Agnes' story was soon told. Her widowed mother had had no breakfast for her little ones.

"I don't care so much about myself, Miss Snell," the child went on artlessly, "'cause I'm mamma's brave girl, but when little brother Royce wakes up he will be so hungry, and he is only 3 years old. He does not know he mustn't cry."

A little more questioning and Lilian learned that some one owed Mrs. Gregory for sewing, also that she hoped to have dinner ready when Agnes came home.

Lilian looked out into the driving storm of a January forenoon. She knew Mrs. Gregory, and her heart ached for the pale young mother.

Miss Snell was quick of thought and action. Ten minutes later Agnes was in a warm cloak room feasting in the dainty lunch Mrs. Snell had prepared for her daughter's midday meal. The young teacher had written a note and a list of articles of food and was at the door of the room across the hall.

The teacher, Florence Fox, listened sympathetically to Lilian's story and to the suggestion that her own 12-year-old brother be called from the sixth grade to deliver the note.

"Of course, Fred can go," she cried, "and, Lilian, you say you have written to Mr. Davis the circumstances and asked him for good weight. I'll send an order to Cousin Hugh for a half-cord of wood, tell him the story, and ask him for good weight."

A faint crimson flush stained Lilian's cheek, but she warmly thanked her friend and hurried back to her work.

Mark Davis was a stout, genial-faced man of 38. He sat in his office, his morning's work at his book just finished. Through the open door he could see brisk clerks stepping about in the grocery store from which the office opened. There was an odor of spices, coffee, fruit and fish in the air.

"Eight hundred dollars more profit this year than last," the grocer said to himself. "Somehow it don't do a man any good to pile up money when he has no one to spend it on."

Here his reverie was cut short by the entrance of a clerk who handed him an envelope, saying: "A boy just brought this."

Two papers dropped from the envelope as he tore it open. The first was a list, including a loaf of bread, potatoes, crackers, dried beef, and a few other articles. He glanced over it and opened the other. It was Lilian's note:

"Dear Mr. Davis: A little girl in my rom is crying because she has had no breakfast. Her name is Agnes Gregory, and her mother is a poor widow who lives on the third floor of No. 4 Hampton street. Please send the things ordered at once. I will come in after school and pay for them. And, Mr. Davis, please give good weight. Truly yours, LILIAN SNELL."

Mr. Davis had been a friend of the Snell family for years, and it was not the first time that Lilian had appealed to him for help in her charitable work. So that was not the reason that so strange a look came into his honest brown eyes.

"Agnes Gregory, and lives on Hampton street," he murmured. "It surely must be Margaret's child. Good God! Margaret and her child wanting bread!"

A half hour later Mark Davis was making his way up the stairs to the floor upon which Mrs. Gregory's rooms were situated. His knock at the first door was answered by a red-faced woman.

"Mis' Gregory, is it you air wantin'?" she asked sharply. "And it's no bad news you air after bringin' her, I hope."

"I wanted to deliver some groceries a friend has sent her."

The clouded face cleared as if by magic. "Heaven's blessin' be on your head, then! Mis' Gregory, she's gone out, but I've her key here, and will unlock the door. That's her by, and a swate child he is."

Mark eagerly looked at the pink and white face of the boy. He held out a great golden orange, and little Royce sprang for it, his childish laugh echoing through the room. Then the grocer followed Mrs. Donovan to the home of Margaret Gregory.

It was a bare place, but clean and neat. Mark sighed as he noted the signs of abject poverty. While the deliveryman was bringing up the parcels, Mrs. Donavan volubly explained that Mrs. Gregory had gone to try to get money due her. The warm-hearted Irish woman had surmised that fortune was at low ebb with her neighbor, partly because of little Royce's unusual fretfulness, which had been quieted by a huge slice of bread and butter.

"She's worked her precious fingers 'most to the bone," she concluded, "but work's scarce, and I don't know what's ever goin' to become of her and her babies."

The wood soon came. Florence's half cord had been re-enforced by a whole cord, perhaps because she had written her cousin that the needy widow was a protege of Miss Snell's.

As to Lilian's order for groceries, Mr. Davis had added to it a sack of flour, a ham, coffee, tea, sugar, apples, cookies, cheese, canned fruits and meats, and a big bag of candy.

Mrs. Donovan went back to her own room, and the wagons rolled away. Mark hastily built a fire, then sat down to think how best to explain the liberty he had taken.

The bare room faded from his vision as he sat there. In its place came an old country garden overgrown with roses and clematis. It was June, and the air was heavy with the scent of many blossoms. By his side was a beautiful girl in whose curls the sunshine seemed entangled. He bent lower, and the rose-red lips of his companion murmured, "I love you, Mark." Still lower his head sank until his lips touched the ones that had uttered the sweet words.

A start, and he sat upright, glancing around him. That was ten years ago. He was poor then, and Margaret, beautiful Margaret Henson, had been the only daughter of a wealthy home. So their engagement had been forbidden. They parted, vowing eternal constancy. A year later Margaret became the wife of Vance Gregory, but it was not until months after that Mark learned of the treachery and deceit that had been employed to urge her to that step.

It was too late then. There was nothing to do but to endure.

He had known for some time that Margaret was a widow and lived in the city. He knew nothing of her poverty, supposing that her means were ample. To go to her now with a story of love had never occurred to him. She knew nothing of what had parted them. He could not blacken the memory of the man who had been her husband, the father of her children.

He sprang to his feet. There was no need of an explanation. He passed out, pausing for a final word with Mrs. Donavan.

"Tell Mrs. Gregory the thiugs came from the teachers at No. 3."

"To be sure, Mr. Davis," responded the woman, who had recognized Mark, "I'll tell her all 'bout it. And many the blissin's of all the saints rest on your dear head!"

Mark hurried away, leaving a shining silver dollar in Royce's hand.

It was only a few minutes after his departure that a thinly clad woman came toiling wearily up the stairs. It was Margaret Gregory. The woman who owed her was out of town. The needy mother had applied at several places for work, only to meet with refusal. Then she had gone to a store and begged for credit, but in vain.

She had reached the end. There was but one way open. She would ask Mrs. Donavan to give her children their dinner. When she had rested and conquered the bitter rebellion in her heart she would go out again and apply to the city for charity.

Margaret Gregory was proud. She was already faint for the want of food, yet she turned in loathing from the thought of a meal obtained in that way. It would be worse than death, but death does not come at one's call, and there were her babies.

A dry sob burst from her lips. She passed Mrs. Donavan's door in silence. She must have a moment to herself before she could ask charity of one so poor as her kind neighbor. Hurrying on, she pushed open her own door.

A bright fire was blazing in the cracked stove. Mrs. Donavan had prepared potatoes for the oven and cut slices ready for frying from the ham. The open door of the wood closet showed a huge pile, while the table was heaped high with food.

For a moment she stood gazing wildly around her. Then she dropped on her knees, and with a shower of tears relieved her overwrought nerves.

The next day's mail brought a letter from Margaret to Mr. Davis. The writer had gone to Miss Snell to thank her. From the young teacher she had learned of Mark's connection with the affair.

It was an earnest, grateful letter, blotted here and there with tear stains. She accepted his generosity; for her children's sake she could not refuse charity. She referred to the friendship that had existed between their parents, but Mark was glad that she was too womanly a woman to even hint at the relation they had once borne to each other. When he finished reading the letter his heart was light, for he understood that Margaret knew of the treachery that had blotted the sunshine out of his life.

Mark went straight home and told his aunt, who was also his housekeeper, all about it. Mrs. Everts was knitting before the open coal fire. She was a bright-faced old lady with soft white hair and a serene face. When he had finished she laid down her work and sat for a long time, gazing into the dancing flames.

"The only daughter of my old friend, Rebecca Henson, in want of food," she said, a note of pain in her voice. "Mark, you and I both have plenty of money. There is room in this house, and in our hearts, for Margaret and her babies. But she is proud. Go and ask her to come and sew for me. Tell her I am lonely and ask her to bring her little ones to brighten me up."

Mark bent to kiss the placid face. "Thank you, Aunt Elsie. I see you understand." A few hours later he knocked at Margaret's door. He saw that the years had changed her. The wild rose bloom had faded from her cheeks, tears had washed the joyous light from her blue eyes, yet it was surely the Margaret that he had loved that stood before him.

She met him frankly and with undisguised pleasure. Her voice trembled when she undertook to express her gratitude. Mark made light of the whole affair and insisted on talking of their childhood days. The fruit and nuts he brought proved an open sesame to the hearts of Agnes and Royce, and they were soon on the best of terms with the caller.

Margaret was very grateful for the offer of work. She hesitated a little over accepting Mrs. Everts' kind invitation, fearing lest the children prove an annoyance. But when Mark drew a touching picture of the loneliness of his aunt she gladly consented to come. It was arranged that the carriage come for the Gregorys the following afternoon.

One morning, two months later, Florence Fox tripped across the hall of No. 3 and entered Miss Snell's room.

"Of course you are going to the wedding reception Thursday evening," she began. "I think it is such a lovely marriage, don't you?"

"Indeed, I do," Lilian replied warmly. "Yes, I am to go in the afternoon and help with the decorations. The whole house is to be in green and white, smilax, ferns, roses and carnations. Mrs. Everts says Mr. Davis cannot do too much for his bride, 'our dear Margaret,' the sweet old lady calls her."

"And I believe it all came about from your begging him to give her good weight," Florence cried, merrily. "He is obeying your request in an extravagant manner. And Lilian, is not that pretty pearl ring and the beatific expression on cousin Hugh's face the result of my efforts along the same line of charitable work?"

The bell rang then, and the blushing Lilian was spared the necessity of a reply.—Hope Daring, in Womankind.

American Ships.

Do you know that but one steel ship was ever built in America and that she was the last full-rigged ship ever built here, and that her name is Dirigo?

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That most all the best steamships in our merchant marine were built on the Delaware?

That America has not 3,000 vessels going to sea, and that all steamers, ships, barks, barkentines, brigs, schooners and sea-going coal barges are included, and that this includes the Atlantic, gulf and Pacific coasts?—Philadelphia Maritime Journal.

THE GOUT OF A KING.

WHY THE PHYSICIANS COULD NOT CURE IT.

Rev. Dr. Talmage Shows the Mistake of Shutting Out God from the Realm of Pharmacy and Therapeutics—A Benediction for Doctors.

Discourse to Doctors.

It is not often that men of one profession have much encouragement for men of another profession, but this sermon, prepared by Dr. Talmage, contains enthusiastic words of a clergyman to physicians. The text is II. Chronicles xvi., 12, 13, "And Asa, in the thirty and ninth year of his reign, was diseased in his feet until his disease was exceeding great; yet in his disease he sought not to the Lord, but to the physicians. And Asa slept with his fathers."

At this season of the year, when medical colleges of all schools of medicine are giving diplomas to young doctors, and at the capital and in many of the cities medical associations are assembling to consult about the advancement of the interests of their profession, I feel this discourse is appropriate.

In my text is King Asa with the gout. High living and no exercise have vitiated his blood, and my text presents him with his inflamed and bandaged feet on an ottoman. In defiance of God, whom he hated, he sends for certain conjurors or quacks. They come and give him all sorts of lotions and panaceas. They bleed him. They sweat him. They manipulate him. They blister him. They poultice him. They scarify him. They drug him. They cut him. They kill him. He was only a young man, and had a disease which, though very painful, seldom proves fatal to a young man, and he ought to have got well, but he fell a victim to charlatanry and empiricism. "And Asa in the thirty and ninth year of his reign was diseased in his feet, until his disease was exceeding great; yet in his disease he sought not to the Lord, but to the physicians. And Asa slept with his fathers." That is, the doctors killed him.

In this sharp and graphic way the Bible sets forth the truth that you have no right to shut God out from the realm of pharmacy and therapeutics. If Asa had said: "O Lord, I am sick. Bless the instrumentality employed for my recovery!" "Now, servant, go and get the best doctor you can find"—he would have recovered. In other words, the world wants divinely directed physicians. There are a great many such. The diplomas they received from the academies of medicine were nothing compared with the diploma they received from the Head Physician of the universe on the day when they started out and he had said to them: "Go heal the sick, and cast out the devils of pain, and open the blind eyes, and unstop the deaf ears." God bless the doctors all the world over, and let all the hospitals and dispensaries and infirmaries and asylums and domestic circles of the earth respond, "Amen."

Balm in Gilead.

Men of the medical profession we often meet in the home of distress. We shake hands across the cradle of agonized infancy. We join each other in an attempt at solace where the paroxysm of grief demands an anodyne as well as a prayer. We look into each other's sympathetic faces through the dusk as the night of death is falling in the sick room. We do not have to climb over any barrier to-day in order to greet each other, for our professions are in full sympathy. You, doctor, are our first and last earthly friend. You stand at the gates of life when we enter this world and you stand at the gates of death when we go out of it. In the closing moments of our earthly existence, when the hand of the wife, or mother, or sister, or daughter shall hold our right hand, it will give strength to our dying moments if we can feel the tips of your fingers along the pulse of the left wrist. We do not meet to-day, as on other days, in houses of distress, but by the pleasant altars of God, and I propose a sermon of helpfulness and good cheer. As in the nursery children sometimes re-enact all the scenes of the sick room, so to-day you play that you are the patient and that I am the physician, and take my prescription just once. It shall be a tonic, a sedative, a dietetic, a disinfectant, a stimulus and an anodyne at the same time. "Is there not balm in Gilead? Is there not a physician there?"

In the first place, I think all the medical profession should become Christians because of the debt of gratitude they owe to God for the honor he has put upon their calling. No other calling in all the world, except it be that of the Christian ministry, has received so great an honor as yours. Christ himself was not only preacher, but physician, surgeon, aurist, ophthalmologist, and under his mighty power optic and auditory nerve thrilled with light and sound, and catalepsy arose from its fit, and the club foot was straightened, and anchylosis went out of the stiffened tendons, and the foaming maniac became placid as a child, and the streets of Jerusalem became an extemporized hospital crowded with convalescent victims of casualty and invalidism. All ages have woven the garland for the doctor's brow.

Public Hygiene.

The medical profession steps into the court room, and after conflicting witnesses have left everything in a fog, by chemical analyses shows the guilt or innocence of the prisoner, as by mathematical demonstration, thus adding honors to medical jurisprudence.

This profession has done wonders for public hygiene! How often they have stood between this nation and Asiatic cholera, and the yellow fever! The monuments in Greenwood and Mount Auburn and Laurel Hill tell something of the story of those men who stood face to face with pestilence in Southern cities, until, staggering in their own sickness, they stumbled across the corpses of those whom they had come to save. This profession has been the successful advocate of ventilation, sewerage, drainage and fumigation, until their sentiments were well expressed by Lord Palmerston when he said to the English nation at the time a fast had been proclaimed to keep off a great pestilence: "Clean your streets or death will ravage, notwithstanding all the prayers of this nation. Clean your streets, and then call on God for help."

See what this profession has done for human longevity. There was such a fearful subtraction from human life that there was a prospect that within a few centuries this world would be left almost inhabitantless. Adam started with a whole eternity of earthly existence before him, but he cut off the most of it and only comparatively few years were left—only 700 years of life, and then 500, and then 400, and then 200, and then 100, and then 50, and then the average of human life came to 40, and then it dropped to 18. But medical science came in, and since the sixteenth century the average of human life has risen from 18 years to 44, and it will continue to rise until the average of human life will be 50, and it will be 60, and it will be 70, and a man will have no right to die before 90, and the prophecy of Isaiah will be literally fulfilled, "And the child shall die 100 years old." The millennium for the souls of men will be the millennium for the bodies of men. Sin done, disease will be done—the clergyman and the physician getting through with their work at the same time.

The Dispensaries.

But it seems to me that the most beautiful benediction of the medical profession has been dropped upon the poor. No excuse now for any one's not having scientific attendance. Dispensaries and infirmaries everywhere under the control of the best doctors, some of them poorly paid, some of them not paid at all. A half starved woman comes out from the low tenment house into the dispensary and unwraps the rags from her babe, a bundle of ulcers and rheum and pustules, and over that little sufferer bends the accumulated wisdom of the ages from Aesculapius down to the last week's autopsy. In one dispensary in one year 150,000 prescriptions were issued. Why do I show you what God has allowed this profession to do? Is it to stir up your vanity? Oh, no. The day has gone by for pompous doctors, with conspicuous gold-headed canes and powdered wigs, which were the accompaniments in the days when the barber used to carry through the streets of London Dr. Brockelsby's wig, to the admiration and awe of the people, saying: "Make way. Here comes Dr. Brockelsby's wig." No, I announce these things not only to increase the appreciation of laymen in regard to the work of physicians, but to stir in the hearts of the men of the medical profession a feeling of gratitude to God that they have been allowed to put their hand to such a magnificent work and that they have been called into such illustrious company. Have you never felt a spirit of gratitude for this opportunity? Do you not feel thankful now? Then I am afraid, doctor, you are not a Christian, and that the old proverb which Christ quoted in his sermon may be appropriate to you, "Physician, heal thyself."

Another reason why I think the medical profession ought to be Christians is because there are so many trials and annoyances in that profession that need positive Christian solace. I know you have the gratitude of a great many good people, and I know it must be a grand thing to walk intelligently through the avenues of human life and with anatomic skill poise yourself on the nerves and fibers which cross and recross this wonderful physical system. I suppose a skilled eye can see more beauty even in malformation than an architect can point out in any of his structures, though it be the very triumph of arch and plinth and abacus. But how many annoyances and trials the medical profession have! Dr. Rush used to say, in his valedictory address to the students of the medical college, "Young gentlemen, have two pockets—a small pocket and a big pocket; a small pocket in which to put your fees, a large pocket in which to put your annoyances."

A Doctor's Sacrifices.

In the first place, the physician has no Sabbath. Busy merchants and lawyers and mechanics cannot afford to be sick during the secular week, and so they nurse themselves along with lozenges and horehound candy until Sabbath morning comes, and then they say, "I must have a doctor." And that spoils the Sabbath morning church service for the physician. Besides that, there are a great many men who dine but once a week with their families. During the secular days they take a hasty lunch at the restaurant, and on the Sabbath they make up for their six days' abstinence by especial gormandizing, which before night makes their amazed digestive organs cry out for a doctor. And that spoils the evening church service for the physician.

Then they are annoyed by people coming too late. Men wait until the last fortress of physical strength is taken and death has dug around it the trench of the grave, and then they run for the doctor. The slight fever which might have been cured with a footbath has become virulent typhus, and the hacking cough, killing pneumonia. As though a captain should sink his ship off Amagansett, and then put ashore in a yawl and then come to New York to the marine office and want to get his vessel insured. Too late for the ship, too late for the patient.

Then there are many who always blame the doctor because the people die, forgetting the Divine enactment, "It is appointed unto all men once to die." The father in medicine who announced the fact that he had discovered the art by which to make men in this world immortal himself died at 47 years of age, showing that immortality was less than half a century for him. Oh, how easy it is, when people die, to cry out, "Malpractice." Then the physician must bear with all the whims, and the sophistries, and the deceptions, and the stratagems, and the irritations of the shattered nerves and the beclouded brains of women, and more especially of men, who never know how gracefully to be sick, and who with their salivated mouth curse the doctor, giving him his dues, as they say—about the only dues he will in that case collect. The last bill that is paid is the doctor's bill. It seems so incoherent for a restored patient, with ruddy cheeks and rotund form, to be bothered with a bill charging him for old calomel and jalap. The physicians of this country do more missionary work without charge than all the other professions put together. From the concert room, from the merry party, from the comfortable couch on a cold night, when the thermometer is 5 degrees below zero, the doctor must go right away; he always must go right away. To keep up under this nervous strain, to go through this night work, to bear all these annoyances, many physicians have resorted to strong drink and perished. Others have appealed to God for sympathy and help and have lived. Which were the wise doctors, judge ye?

Piety and Medical Skill.

Again, the medical profession ought to be Christian because there are professional exigencies when they need God. Asa's destruction by unblessed physicians was a warning. There are awful crises in every medical practice when a doctor ought to know how to pray. All the hosts of ills will sometimes hurl themselves on the weak points of the physical organism, or with equal ferocity will assault the entire line of susceptibility to suffering. The next dose of medicine will decide whether or not the happy home shall be broken up. Shall it be this medicine or that medicine? God help the doctor. Between the five drops and the ten drops may be the question of life or death. Shall it be the five or the ten drops? Be careful how you put that knife through those delicate portions of the body, for if it swing out of the way the sixth part of an inch the patient perishes. Under such circumstances a physician needs not so much consultation with men of his own calling as he needs consultation with that God who strung the nerves and built the cells and swung the crimson tide through the arteries. You wonder why the heart throbs—why it seems to open and shut. There is no wonder about it. It is God's hand shutting, opening, shutting, opening, on every heart. When a man comes to doctor the eye, he ought to be in communication with him who said to the blind, "Receive thy sight." When a doctor comes to treat a paralytic arm, he ought to be in communication with him who said, "Stretch forth thy hand, and he stretched it forth." When a man comes to doctor a bad case of hemorrhage, he needs to be in communication with him who cured the issue of blood, saying, "Thy faith hath saved thee."

I do not mean to say that piety will make up for medical skill. A bungling doctor, confounded with what was not a very bad case, went into the next room to pray. A skilled physician was called in. He asked for the first practitioner. "Oh," they said, "he's in the next room praying." "Well," said the skilled doctor, "tell him to come out here and help. He can pray and work at the same time." It was all in that sentence. Do the best we can and ask God to help us. There are no two men in all the world, it seems to me, that so much need the grace of God as the minister who doctors the sick soul and the physician who prescribes for the diseased body.

Christian Usefulness.

Another reason why the medical profession ought to be Christians is because there opens before them such a grand field for Christian usefulness. You see so many people in pain, in trouble, in bereavement. You ought to be the voice of heaven to their souls. Old Dr. Gasherie De Witt, a practitioner of New York, told me in his last days, "I always present the religion of Christ to my patients, either directly or indirectly, and I find it is almost always acceptable." Drs. Abercrombie and Brown of Scotland, Drs. Hey and Fothergill of England and Dr. Rush of our own country were celebrated for their faithfulness in that direction. "Oh," says the medical profession, "that is your occupation; that belongs to the clergy, not to us." My brother, there are severe illnesses in which you will not admit even the clergy, and that patient's salvation will depend upon your faithfulness. With the medicine for the body in one hand and the medicine for the soul in the other, oh, what a chance! There lies a dying Christian on the pillow. You need to hold over him the lantern of the gospel until its light streams across the pathway of the departing pilgrim, and you need to cry into the dull ear of death, "Hark to the song of heaven's welcome that comes stealing over the waters." There lies on the pillow a dying sinner. All the morphine that you brought with you cannot quiet him. Terror in the face. Terror in the heart. How he jerks himself up on one elbow and looks wildly into your face and says: "Doctor, I can't die. I am not ready to die. What makes it so dark? Doctor, can you pray?" Blessed for you and blessed for him if then you can kneel down and say: "O God, I have done the best I could to cure this man's body and I have failed! Now I commit to thee his poor, suffering and affrighted soul. Open paradise to his departing spirit."

But I must close, for there may be suffering men and women waiting in your office, or on the hot pillow, wondering why you don't come. But before you go, O doctors, hear my prayer for your eternal salvation. Blessed will be the reward in heaven for the faithful Christian physician. Some day, through overwork, or from bending over a patient and catching his contagious breath, the doctor comes home and he lies down faint and sick. He is too weary to feel his own pulse or take the diagnosis of his own complaint. He is worn out. The fact is his work on earth is ended. Tell those people in the office there they need not wait any longer; the doctor will never go there again. He has written his last prescription for the alleviation of human pain. The people will run up his front steps and inquire, "How is the doctor to-day?" All the sympathies of the neighborhood will be aroused, and there will be many prayers that he who has been so kind to the sick may be comforted in his last pang. It is all over now. In two or three days, his convalescent patients, with shawls wrapped around them, will come to the front window and look out at the passing hearse, and the poor of the city, barefooted and bareheaded, will stand on the street corner, saying, "Oh, how good he was to us all!" But on the other side of the river of death some of his old patients, who are forever cured, will come out to welcome him, and the Physician of heaven, with locks as white as snow, according to the apocalyptic vision, will come out and say: "Come in, come in. I was sick and ye visited me!"

Short Sermons.

Matter and Spirit.—This is one universe, one law, one life, one element. The old antagonism between matter and spirit is fading away; in their ultimate forms they are one.—Rev. Minot J. Savage, Unitarian, New York City.

Immortality.—The immortality of the soul makes it the great masterpiece of the Creator. Heaven and earth may pass away, but the spark of eternal life given to each human being will last for all time. Consequently although we obtain worldly wealth, and honor, and glory, we still are dissatisfied, unless we are at peace with Almighty God.—Rev. J. F. McGinty, Catholic, San Francisco, Cal.

Things That Last.—There is nothing lasting but truth, goodness, love—the abstract virtues. Power, wealth, fame—all pass away. Man thinks to accomplish great achievements, to build houses, to construct railways, to flash his thoughts and words across land and seas, to build cities and conquer empires, but at the end he is taken away, his body returns to the dust, and his labors are for him as if they had never been.—Rev. John Hemphill, Presbyterian, San Francisco, Cal.

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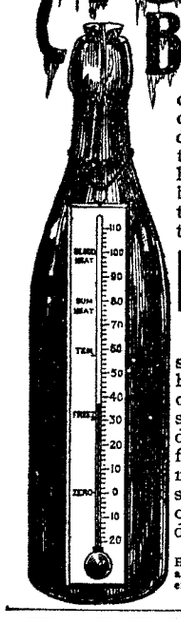

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Hanging Rock Near Massillon, Iowa.

About one-quarter mile east of Massillon, Iowa, on the bank of the Wapsepinicon River, hangs a ledge of rock which makes a beautiful spectacle when viewed from the quarter-mile country bridge, just above. Just back of this rock, on the bluff, are two natural wells reaching seventy feet down into the solid limestone. It is said by some that these wells are infested by firedamp, which makes an examination

impossible. These wells are as round and perfect as if bored by an augur.

Another peculiar phenomenon is the myriads of mosquitoes that gather about these wells during the warm summer months. It was claimed, some years ago, that curious musical sounds issued from these wells at midnight, but upon close examination scientists found that these musical disturbances were caused by millions of mosquitoes.

The fact of these natural wells are vouched for by any of the citizens of Massillon and surrounding country. The accompanying sketch is a very good one of the hanging rock, showing the wells on the bluff to the right.

Current Condensations.

The pouch of a large pelican will contain seven or eight quarts of water.

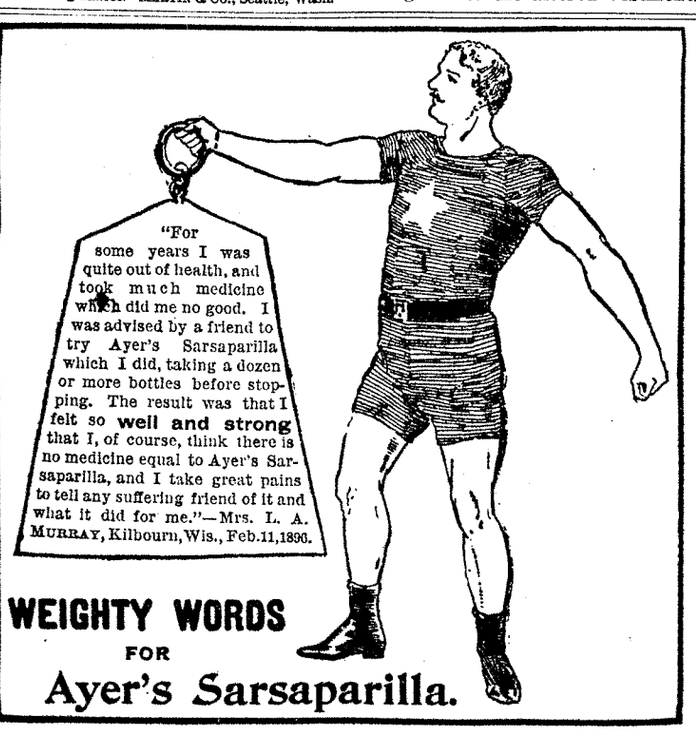
The ancient Greeks used a species of limestone known as sarcophagus for making coffins. The peculiar quality of sarcophagus consisted in the fact that it would consume the human body within a period of a few weeks. It is said to have been found at Assos, a city of Lycia. The popularly accepted definition of the noun scarcophagus, it may be mentioned, is "a stone coffin."

Alexandre Dumas, or Dumas pere, lived from 1802 to 1870. His literary life began with the play "Henry III.," in 1829, and his labors continued to his death, a period of forty-one years. The number of novels, plays, poems and literary works of all descriptions produced during this time was enormous, few writers of any country exceeding in quantity the amount credited to this remarkable man.

The diameter of Mars is nearly 4,200 miles. Its volume is about one-seventh and its density four-fifths that of the earth. A stone let fall on the surface of Mars would fall six feet the first second. The light and heat of the sun at Mars are less than one-half that which we enjoy. Its days are nearly of the same length. Since, however, its year is equal to nearly two of ours, the seasons are lengthened in proportion.

The following experiment, which illustrates in a pleasing manner the actual formation of halos, has been given by Dr. Brewster: Take a saturated solution of alum, and, having spread a few drops of it over a plate of glass, it will readily crystallize in small, flat octahedrons, scarcely visible to the eye. When this plate is held between the observer and the sun or a candle, with eyes very close to the smooth side of the glass plate, there will be seen three beautiful halos of light, at different distances from the luminous body.

Surpliced choirs, wearing the vestment now used under that name, date back to about the eleventh century, when that particular modification of the ancient alb and rochet was introduced and the name was also invented. At that time it was found awkward to put on the old narrow-sleeved vestments over the furred dresses which the dignitaries began to wear to protect themselves against the cold and drafty churches; so the garment was made looser and the sleeves widened into their present well-known shape to get rid of that difficulty, and the name of sur pelisse (that which is worn over a fur dress) was given to the altered vestment.



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SENATE AND HOUSE.

WORK OF OUR NATIONAL LAWMAKERS.

A Week's Proceedings in the Halls of Congress—Important Measures Discussed and Acted Upon—An Impartial Resume of the Business.

The National Solons.

The Senate made good progress on the tariff bill Tuesday, advancing to the important metal schedule. During the day the paragraphs covering marble and stone, china, glass, brick and tiles were completed, with a few minor exceptions. The Senator from South Carolina, John L. McLaurin, who succeeded the late Senator Earle, was sworn in at the opening of the session. This establishes the personnel of the Senate as it will remain for some time—namely, Republicans, 43; Democrats, 34; Populists, 7; Silver Republicans, 5; vacancy, 1 (Oregon); total, 90. The House passed two minor Senate bills, but because of non-existence of committees could do no other work. However, a lively attack was made upon the policy of holding up appointment of committees until after the Senate finishes with the tariff.

The Senate Wednesday made greater progress on the tariff bill than in any day since the debate opened, completing more than half of the important metal schedule. Early in the day Mr. Tillman of South Carolina secured the adoption of a resolution directing the Judiciary Committee to inquire into the recent decisions against the South Carolina dispensary law, with a view to reporting such legislation as might be desirable. The Senate in executive session spent some time in discussing whether confirmations should be delayed because of the absence of a Senator opposing them. Without settling the principle involved the Senate allowed the nominations to go over. Senator Turner objects to the confirmation of these nominees because their predecessors were removed from office, which, he claims, was an unjustified procedure on the part of the executive.

The Senate again made good progress on the tariff bill Thursday, covering about ten pages of the metals schedule and almost completing it. The House proceedings were enlivened by the attempt of Mr. Terry (Dem.) of Arkansas to secure consideration, as a privileged matter, of a resolution for the immediate appointment of the committee on foreign affairs. It was ruled out of order and an appeal taken from the decision of the chair was laid on the table by a strict party vote. Several bills were passed by unanimous consent. The Frye bill to prevent collisions on certain harbors, rivers and inland waters of the United States and the Senate resolution for the relief of the El Paso flood sufferers, amended so as to make the appropriation of $10,000 available out of the unexpended balance of the appropriation for the Mississippi flood sufferers, were passed and the conference report on the Indian appropriation bill was adopted.

The Senate had a period of speech making Friday, and as a result little progress was made on the tariff bill. The advance covered about two pages or seven paragraphs, and brought the Senate up to the wool schedule, the first item of which was considered but not completed.

When the Senate laid aside the tariff bill Saturday night it had reached the sugar schedule, which has been the subject of so much interest and conflict. During the day many of the paragraphs of the wood schedule had been agreed to, but that restoring lumber to the dutiable list at $2 per 1,000 feet proved the greatest stumbling block since the debate began. Mr. Bacon (Dem.) of Georgia gave his support to the committee rate, saying it was essential to the lumber industry of the South. He also spoke in favor of a revenue tariff so adjusted as to give equal benefit to all industries. Mr. Bacon and Mr. Vest clashed several times on tariff doctrine, Mr. Vest expressing his regret that a Democratic Senator would aid in restoring to the dutiable list one of the three products—lumber, salt and wool—which the Wilson bill put on the free list. Mr. Clay of Georgia also spoke at length on the tariff bill, criticising the sugar schedule and other features of the bill.

The state, war and navy building was begun in 1871 and cost $10,000,000 to complete.

The hall of the House of Representatives is the largest assembly room in the world.

The Congress of the United States has met annually in Washington since Nov. 17, 1800.

The Crawford bronze door of the Senate wing weighs 14,000 pounds and cost nearly $57,000.

A marble column surmounted by a statue of Lincoln stands in front of the district courthouse.

The new naval observatory at Washington is one of the finest scientific plants in the world.

General Winfield Scott fathered the soldiers' home, which was established by Congress in 1857.

It costs about $100,000 a year to run the White House exclusive of the President's salary of $50,000.

The treasury building was completed in 1869 at a cost of $8,000,000. It is the largest government department.

The columns of the eastern portico of the capitol are each solid blocks of sandstone thirty feet high.

The Rogers bronze doors at the main entrance of the capitol tell the history of Columbus and cost $28,000.

Lincoln's inaugural ball was a very frosty affair, in spite of the pleasant weather. Every one felt that a storm was brewing.

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Rising at morning or evening from some lowland often carries in its folds the seeds of malaria. Where malarial fever prevails no one is safe, unless protected by some efficient medicinal safeguard. Hostetter's Stomach Bitters is both a protection and a remedy. No person who inhabits or sojourns in a miasmatic region or country should omit to procure this fortifying agent, which is also the finest known remedy for dyspepsia, constipation, kidney trouble and rheumatism.

Early Breakfasts.

The enthusiastic wheelman has an idea that a ride before breakfast is very beneficial. A short ride may be, but in nine cases out of ten it has just the opposite from the desired effect. According to experiments with the dynamometer, a man is precisely at his weakest when he turns out of bed. The muscular force is greatly increased by breakfast, but it attains its highest point after the midday meal. It then sinks for a few hours, and rises again toward evening. The chief foes of muscular force are overwork, and the other extreme, idleness. Many of the great workers of the world, if not all, have been early risers, but early risings ought always to be supplemented by early breakfasting.

The Next Thing to It.

The coffee habit is not as bad as the liquor habit, but it is the next thing to it. Coffee and tea drunkards are getting to be a noticeable type. These beverages injure both the nerves and the digestion. Nervous diseases are often produced, and always aggravated, by indulgence in coffee and tea. Yet people fancy they can't get along without these drinks. Perhaps you think so. Try Grain-O for a change. It tastes like coffee. It is a new food drink, made from pure grains. It is full of cheer, warmth and nourishment, without a particle of narcotic stimulant. The old, the middle-aged and the children can drink Grain-O freely, day or night. Use it awhile and you will want no more coffee. And it costs only a quarter as much. Ask your grocer for it. Sold in 15c. and 25c. packages.

Died of Medicine.

A correspondent writes warning sufferers from influenza against the indiscriminate use of antipyrine. He says: "My physician, a distinguished man, told me this morning that he ascribed the great death rate from influenza in France to the careless use of antipyrine. It seems there is a lotion, the name of which I forget, largely composed of antipyrine, which French people have ready against the malady. If they take small doses it will not do much harm. But they are not content with small doses when they have influenza, and it kills them. Death, of course, is then erroneously ascribed to influenza, the fact being that 'they die of their medicines.'"—Westminster Gazette.

Are Particular Buyers.

The leading steel men agree that the most particular buyers in the country are the Winchester Repeating Arms Co., New Haven, Ct. This company will only accept the most perfect of selected lots. Such information is not surprising to any one who owns a Winchester gun, for its strength and fine finish is very apparent. The Winchester are just as particular about everything that is used in making guns and ammunition as they are about steel. For this reason when you buy Winchester goods you can be sure of getting the best in the world. They cost no more than poor makes. Send for a large illustrated catalogue free.

Hens Hatch Them.

The hens of China lead busy lives. When not engaged in hatching out a brood of their own kind they are put to the additional and novel task of hatching fish eggs. Chinese cheap labor collects the spawn of fish from the water's edge, put in an empty eggshell, which is then hermetically sealed with wax and placed under the unsuspecting setting hen. After some days the eggshell is removed and the spawn, which has been warmed into life is emptied into a shallow pool well warmed by the sun. Here the fish that soon develop are nursed until strong enough to be turned into a lake or stream.

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The change of life, that is what mother is dreading, and no wonder, for it is full of peril to all but the strongest women.

There are some special and very wearing symptoms from which mother suffers, but she will not speak of them to any one. Help her out; she doesn't know what to do for herself!

Shall I advise you? First, send to the nearest drug store and get a bottle of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and see that mother takes it regularly, then write to Mrs. Pinkham, at Lynn, Mass., giving all the symptoms and you will receive a prompt reply telling mother what to do for herself. In the meantime the Vegetable Compound will make life much easier for her. It tones up the nervous system, invigorates the body, and the "blues" vanish before it as darkness flees from the sunlight. You can get it at any reliable druggist's.

Mrs. LOUIS STRONG, Harris Hill, Erie Co., N. Y., says: "I have been troubled with falling of the womb for years, was advised to take Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. I took thirteen bottles and received great benefit. When the time for change of life came I suffered a great deal with faintness and palpitation of the heart. I got one bottle of the Vegetable Compound and one of Blood Purifier and was relieved again. I was thereby enabled to pass through that serious period very comfortably."

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And in a few minutes the visual clouds lift, discomfort passes away, my stomach apparently resumes its operations and at half past 12 or 1 o'clock I go out for my usual rather hearty luncheon—all in delightful contrast with my former practically ruined afternoons which I used vainly to seek to escape by fasting and various doses."

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Hastings.....	7 52	6 57	12 40	9 30
Jackson Ar.....	9 50	9 00	3 40	5 20
Detroit Ar.....	12 20	11 20	7 10	...
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WESTWARD BOUND

STATIONS.	Exp D'y	M'il	G R Exp	Fr't
	a m	p m	p m	p m
Grand Rapids Ar.....	6 15	1 40	10 25	4 05
Middleville.....	5 10	12 55	9 41	2 15
Hastings.....	4 40	12 30	9 10	1 03
Jackson Dep.....	1 30	10 40	7 30	7 10
	a m	a m	p m	a m
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The Young Men's Christian association of Grand Rapids, have selected Green Lake in Leighton township for the erection of a club and boat house.

"They are dandies" said Thos. Bowers of the Crocket, Texas, Enterprise while writing about DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills for sick headache and disorders of the stomach and liver. Dr. Nelson Abbott.

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A lodge of Modern Woodmen of America is soon to be organized in Wayland.

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THURSDAY, JUNE 10, 1897.

Flag Day, June 14, will be the one hundred and twentieth anniversary of the adoption of the stars and stripes.

Americans who are disposed to regard the job of king as a "snap" should carefully study the troubles of King George of Greece.

Kentucky is bound to have trouble of some kind on hand. Having gotten rid of some of its legislative squabbles it is now wrestling with free turnpike mobs.

No matter what either side may say, the principal issue in the greater New York municipal campaign will be the $70,000,000 a year that will be spent to run the big town.

The suggestion that candidates for the U. S. senate should be required to submit their claims to a primary election of their respective parties is so good that the politicians will hardly permit.

The typewriter whose error made an extra session of the New York legislature necessary is finding consolation in the passage by the extra session of an election bill that will save the state $40,000.

We agree with Corporal Tanner that if war be necessary we can raise the men and the money to fight it, but we also believe that it is always wise to wait until the other fellow makes war necessary.

Probably the sultan thinks that a man who has just licked Greece, and has a harem and the European powers to contend with is in no condition of mind to deal with an Angell; hence his objection to receive Hon. J. B. Angell as U. S. minister.

It is enough to make a real American blush for shame to read that an ex-American, William Waldorf Astor, has paid $5,500 for the use of a house from which he and his family and a few friends can view the queen's jubilee procession, in London.

Master Lemuel S. Brown, son of C. S. Brown of Hastings, has been chosen as one of the pages in the house of congress, through the recommendation of Congressman E. L. Hamilton. The lad is 16 years old and the salary he commands amounts to $100 per month.

"Sugar—the American Question of the Day" is the title of an incisive article by Mr. Herbert Myrick of the American Agriculturist in the June Review of Reviews. Mr. Myrick presents the farmer's reasons for insisting on a farmer's sugar schedule in the Dingley bill, as opposed to the demands of the sugar trust

OLD PEOPLE.

Old people who require medicine to regulate the bowels and kidneys will find the true remedy in Electric Bitters. This medicine does not stimulate and contains no whiskey or other intoxicant, but acts as a tonic and alterative. It acts mildly on the stomach and bowels, adding strength and giving tone to the organs, thereby aiding nature in the performance of the functions. Electric Bitters is an excellent appetizer and aids digestion. Old people find it just exactly what they need. Price fifty cents per bottle at J. W. Armstrong's drug store. 5

Reports from most reliable sources say the peach crop in Oceana county will be more than half the usual yield.

Mr. Isaac Horner, proprietor of the Burton House, Burton, W. Va., and one of the most widely known men in the state was cured of rheumatism after three years of suffering. He says: "I have not sufficient command of language to convey any idea of what I suffered, my physicians told me that nothing could be done for me; and my friends were fully convinced that nothing but death would relieve me of my suffering. In June, 1894, Mr. Evans, then salesman for the Wheeling Drug Co., recommended Chamberlain's Pain Balm. At this time my foot and limb were swollen to more than double their normal size and it seemed to me my leg would burst, but soon after I began using the Pain Balm, the swelling began to decrease, the pain to leave, and now I consider that I am entirely cured. For sale by J. W. Armstrong. 22-4

Some one has suggested that every boy who is found meddling with a bird's nest should be spanked. That is very good for the boy, but what remedy shall be applied to ladies who wear birds on their hats.

A GOOD MEMORY

Often saves money and also good health. If you are troubled with constipation, indigestion or any form of stomach trouble remember to take home a bottle of Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin and health will be restored to you. Trial sizes 10c (10 doses 10c) large size 50c and $1.00 of J. W. Armstrong. z

Frank Beardsley of Nashville, who was serving a year at Ionia, escaped Sunday. He was found at his farm at Nashville quarreling with the man who has been running the place during his absence. Beardsley said that he had heard that the hired man was selling stuff off the farm and having a good time, and the only way he could see about it was to skip.

Don't neglect a cough because the weather is pleasant; before the next storm rolls around it may develop into a serious difficulty beyond repair. One Minute Cough Cure is easy to take and will do what its name implies. Dr. Nelson Abbott.

IRVING INKLINGS.

Miss Blanche Hendershott will lead the Y. P. S. C. E. next Sunday evening. Subject "The Best Way to Study the Bible" Ps. xix 7-14.

The Dorcas society in connection with the Cong'l church will be entertained by Mrs. Appleton next Friday afternoon at the church parlors. Every one is most cordially invited.

Childrens Day exercises next Sunday at the hour of regular service, at the M. E. church. Everything is being done to make this a joyful day for the children also enjoyable to every one.

Quite a number of our people attended the Quarterly meeting service at the Rutland church last Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Pierson entertained the latter's sister and family from near Prairieville, Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. Will Coushen of North Irving, will teach our school next year.

Mrs. Doyle left last Saturday for Augusta to visit her son, Chas. and family and will bring her little grand-daughter back to spend a part of the summer vacation on the farm.

Miss Grace Hill gave a reception to her class in the Middleville school, Wednesday evening.

ATTENTION FARMERS.

Unless you wish to sell your wheat at the same price as rye, you should cut the rye out of your wheat. Rye makes bad flour and it must not be neglected. Do not neglect it because there is but little, but cut it out.

21-3 T. D. FRENCH & SON.

W. B. Johnson, Newark, O., says, "One Minute Cough Cure saved my only child from dying by croup." It has saved thousands of others suffering from croup, pneumonia, bronchitis and other serious throat and lung troubles. Dr. Nelson Abbott.

EXCURSION TO GRAND RAPIDS.

On account of the Sunday School Rally, the Michigan Central will sell round trip tickets for above occasion, Thursday July 1, at 50 cents. Children 25 cents. See flyers.

22-4 J. E. GOGLE, Local Ag't.

Allegan county now has fifteen saloons—four at Allegan, one at Hopkins station, two at Door, one at Burnip's Corners, two at Plainwell, two at Fenville, two at Saugatuck and one at Douglas.

SOMETHING TO DEPEND ON.

Mr. James Jones, of the drug firm of Jones & Son, Cowden, Ill., in speaking of Dr. King's New Discovery, says that last winter his wife was attacked with la grippe, and her case grew so serious that physicians at Cowden and Pana could do nothing for her. It seemed to develop into hasty consumption. Having Dr. King's New Discovery in store, and selling lots of it, he took a bottle home, and to the surprise of all she began to get better from first dose, and half dozen dollar bottles cured her sound and well. Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, coughs and colds is guaranteed to do this good work. Try it. Free trial bottles at J. W. Armstrong's drug store. 5

Notice of Commissioners on Claims.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, } ss.
COUNTY OF BARRY, }

Estate of William Damoth, deceased.

We, the undersigned, having been appointed by the Probate Court for the County of Barry, State of Michigan, Commissioners to receive, examine and adjust all claims and demands of all persons against said deceased, do hereby give notice that we will meet at the office of H. E. Hendrick in Middleville, on Tuesday, the 10th day of August, A. D. 1897, and on Tuesday, the 7th day of December, A. D. 1897, at ten o'clock a. m. of each of said days, for the purpose of examining and allowing said claims, and that six months from the 29th day of May, A. D. 1897, were allowed by said court for creditors to present their claims to us for examination and allowance.

Dated May 29, A. D. 1897.

JAMES H. MCKEVITT,
WILLIAM CRIDLER,
22-5 Commissioners.

Mortgage Sale.

Whereas, Default having been made in the payment conditioned for in a certain mortgage (whereby the power of sale therein contained has become operative) which said mortgage was made and executed by Warren J. Brew and Ella Brew, his wife, both of the township of Irving, Barry county, and state of Michigan, of the first part, to Alfred Newman and Cora Newman, his wife, both of the same place of residence, of the second part, and which said mortgage bears date the twentieth day of April, A. D. 1891, and which said mortgage was recorded in the office of the register of deeds for said Barry county, state of Michigan, in liber number thirty-five of mortgages on page number one hundred and sixty-two, on the twentieth day of April, A. D. 1891, at 3:40 o'clock p. m., and which said mortgage was on the fourth day of December, A. D. 1891, duly assigned by said second parties, Alfred Newman and Cora Newman, to Elijah Rounds of the township of Irving, Barry county, Michigan, and which said assignment was on the 23d day of December, A. D. 1891, at 10:30 o'clock a. m., duly recorded in the office of the register of deeds for said Barry county in the state of Michigan, in liber number thirty-six of mortgages on page two hundred forty-five. In which said mortgage it was stipulated that in case of a default in the payment of the interest on any part thereof for the space of sixty days from and after the day on which the same should be payable, then at the option of mortgagees or his assigns, the whole principal sum not paid with all arrearages of interest thereon should at the option of said mortgagees and their assigns become due and payable and I, the assignee, having given said mortgagors notice of my said option declaring the whole principal sum thereof due, and I hereby give notice that at my said option I have so declared the whole principal sum, together with all arrearages of interest, now due. The sum claimed to be due at this date of principal is six hundred dollars and of interest eighty-seven and 34-100 dollars at the date of this notice. The sum claimed by me at this date now due and unpaid on said mortgage and note secured thereby, for which this foreclosure is made is six hundred eighty-four and 34-100 dollars, and no suit or proceedings at law or in equity having been previous hereto instituted to recover said sums of money secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on Friday, the third day of September, A. D. 1897, at ten o'clock in the forenoon of said day, I shall sell at public auction or vendue to the highest bidder for cash at north front door of the court house in the city of Hastings, county of Barry and state of Michigan (that being the place where the circuit court for said Barry county is holden) the lands and premises described in said mortgage or so much thereof as shall be necessary to pay the amount as aforesaid on said mortgage with interest at seven per centum from date hereof and all legal costs including an attorney fee of twenty-five dollars stipulated for in said mortgage in case of foreclosure. The premises described in said mortgage and to be sold are as follows, to-wit: The southeast quarter (¼) of the northeast quarter (¼) of section number seventeen (17) in town number four (4) north of range No. nine (9) west, containing forty (40) acres of land, more or less.

Dated June 9, A. D. 1897.

ELIJAH ROUNDS,
Assignee of Mortgagees.
MILTON F. JORDAN, Middleville, Mich.
Attorney for Assignee of Morgagees,
Middleville, Michigan. 23-13

YANKEE SPRINGS.

June 8—A. M. Stocking and wife have moved to Hastings.

Mrs. Adams is able to be out and is stopping with Mrs. Bugbee at present.

Mrs. Doyle is working for B. F. Norris.

Quite a severe frost here Monday night.

Nearly everybody here is preparing to attend the township picnic held at Bowen's Mills, Friday.

Mrs. Perham is very low at this writing.

NORTH ORANGEVILLE.

Children's Day will be observed at the Oak Grove school house June 20.

If anyone wishes to see an aeromotor wind-mill wheel on wrong side out, call on John Carter before next week.

Wm. Ide and Eugene Harper are plastering Isaac Cappon's house.

Miss Josie McCallum visited the school June 3d.

Sick headache can be quickly and completely overcome by using those famous pills known as "DeWitt's Little Early Risers." Dr. Nelson Abbott.

Mortgage Sale.

Default having been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made and executed by Newton C. McDowell and Emma his wife, of Thornapple, Barry county, Michigan, to Mariana Smith, guardian of Blanche and Jessie Smith, minors, of Chicago, Ill., dated the 21st day of October, A. D. 1895, and recorded in the office of the register of deeds for Barry county, Michigan, on the 1st day of November, A. D. 1895, in liber 47 of mortgages, on page 310, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice the sum of three thousand thirty-five and 74-100 dollars, and an attorney fee of thirty-five dollars stipulated for in said mortgage, all of said mortgage having been declared due by said mortgagee and is hereby declared due by her by reason of the non-payment of an instalment of fifty dollars which fell due on said mortgage on the 31st day of October, A. D. 1896, and by virtue of the authority contained in said mortgage to declare the same due of which the mortgagor has had notice and no suit or proceedings having been instituted, either at law or in equity to recover the moneys so secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof, now therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that I shall sell at public auction to the highest bidder, at the north front door of the court house in the city of Hastings (that being the place where the circuit court for the county of Barry is holden) on Saturday the 21st day of August, A. D. 1897, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, the premises described in said mortgage or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due on said mortgage as aforesaid, with seven per cent interest and all legal costs, together with said attorney fee of thirty-five dollars covenanted for in said mortgage.

The premises being described in said mortgage as all those certain pieces or parcels of land situate and being in the township of Thornapple in the county of Barry and state of Michigan and described as follows, to-wit: Commencing at the quarter post on the east line of section twenty-one (21) thence due west one hundred and twenty (120) rods, thence due south fifty-three and ⅓ (53⅓) rods, thence due east one hundred and twenty (120) rods, thence due north fifty-three and ⅓ (53⅓) rods to the place of beginning. Also the northwest quarter of the southwest quarter of section twenty-two (22), all in town four (4) north of range ten (10) west and containing in all eighty acres of land.

Dated May 27, 1897.

MARIANA SMITH,
Guardian of Blanche and Jessie Smith,
HARTLEY E. HENDRICK, Mortgagee.
Attorney for Mortgagee. 21-3

Mortgage Sale.

Default having been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage, made and executed by James Harvey Cline and Adaline Cline of Thornapple, Barry county, Michigan, to Mariana Smith, guardian of Blanche and Jessie Smith, of Washington, D. C., dated the 18th day of April, A. D. 1893, and recorded in the office of the register of deeds for Barry county, Michigan, on the 20th day of April, A. D. 1893, in liber 44 of mortgages, on page 138, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice, the sum of one thousand seventy-seven and 23-100 dollars, and an attorney fee of twenty-five dollars provided for in said mortgage all of the principal of said mortgage having been declared due by said mortgagee, and is hereby declared due by her by reason of the non-payment of two hundred dollars of principal which is past due therein, and the non-payment of interest due on said mortgage, and by virtue of the authority contained in said mortgage to declare the same due of which the mortgagor has had notice and no suit or proceedings having been instituted either at law or in equity to recover the moneys so secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof, now therefore by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given, that I shall sell at public auction to the highest bidder, at the north front door of the court house in the city of Hastings (that being the place where the circuit court for the county of Barry is holden) on Saturday, the 21st day of August, A. D. 1897, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due on said mortgage as aforesaid with seven per cent interest and all legal costs, together with said attorney fee of twenty-five dollars covenanted for in said mortgage. The premises being described in said mortgage as all that certain piece or parcel of land situate and being in the township of Thornapple in the county of Barry and state of Michigan, and described as follows, to-wit: The northwest quarter of the northeast quarter of section three (3) in town four (4) north of range ten (10) west containing forty acres of land, more or less.

Dated May 24, A. D. 1897.

MARIANA SMITH,
Guardian for Blanche and Jessie Smith,
HARTLEY E. HENDRICK, Mortgagee.
Attorney for Mortgagee. 21-13

Mortgage Sale.

Default having been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Zebulon M. Jones and Mary Jones, husband and wife, of Thornapple, Barry county, Mich., of the first part to Simon Heist of Leighton, Allegan county, Michigan, of the second part, dated December 21, A. D. 1894, and recorded in the office of the register of deeds for Barry county and state of Michigan, on the 28th day of December, A. D. 1894, at 8 o'clock a. m. in liber 32 of mortgages on page 356, which said mortgage expressly provides that should any default be made in the payment of any installment of interest or any part thereof at the time mentioned therein, and should the same remain unpaid and in arrears for thirty days then and from thenceforth the whole amount of said mortgage, both principal and interest, should become and be due and payable immediately, and default having been made in the payment of interest due January 3d, A. D. 1897, and the same having remained unpaid and in arrears for the space of thirty days and upwards, the principal sum of fourteen hundred and ninety-four dollars with all arrearages of interest have become due and payable and is hereby declared due by the terms of said mortgage on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice the sum of sixteen hundred and fifteen dollars and an attorney fee of thirty-five dollars provided for in said mortgage and no suit or proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the moneys secured by said mortgage or any part thereof: Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on Saturday, June 26, A. D. 1897, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, I shall sell at public auction to the highest bidder, at the north front door of the court house in the city of Hastings (that being the place where the circuit court for said Barry county is holden) the premises described in said mortgage or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due as aforesaid on said mortgage, with seven per cent interest, and all legal costs together with an attorney's fee of thirty-five dollars provided for therein, the premises being described in said mortgage as that piece or parcel of land situated in the township of Thornapple, Barry county, Michigan, and known and described as follows: The southeast quarter of the southeast quarter of section three (3) in town four (4) north of range ten (10) west except the parcel of four acres heretofore deeded for cemetery purposes.

SIMON HEIST,
JOHN CARVETH, Mortgagee.
Attorney for Mortgagee,
Dated March 30th, 1897. 12-13

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Local Happenings.

Quite a heavy frost Monday night.

Floral Baskets at Mrs. N. Griswold's. *

Wool twine 5c ℔ at Frank D. Pratt's. *

A good scythe at Frank D. Pratt's for 50 cents. *

Henry Gies is building a barn near his residence.

James German has bought a wheel of C. E. Stokoe.

New shirt waists and wrappers.
M. S. KEELER & Co.

Those ladies' 10 and 25 cent Hats are bargains at Mrs. Eva Talbott's. *

Attend the M. E. Aid society tea at the church parlors this week Friday.

New styles in ladies' linen collars and cuffs. M. S. KEELER & Co.

The scales at the stock yards have been repaired and enclosed by a building.

Five new members received the hand of welcome at the Baptist church last Sunday morning.

Three good programs appear on the 8th page for Children's Day exercises at the different churches of the village. Read and attend.

The SUN force are indebted to Wesley Gibbs for a liberal supply of luscious strawberries, the first of the season, Tuesday June 8th.

Robert Johnson's horse became freightened at the flouring mill, Saturday and ran away but was caught on West Main street before much damage was done.

The parlors at the Cong'l church are undergoing repairs this week, including a new outside door, folding doors and the front room is being re-ceiled and papered.

Robert Mann of Caledonia has been in the village of late and done a fine job of painting on the St. James Hotel buss which will soon be making trains regularly.

The carpenters at work at M. S. Keeler's Gun lake cottage, Messrs. Rock, Sech and Andrus, lost a quantity of their tools Sunday. The theif is still at large.

Auditor General Dix has notified six of his clerks that his force will be reduced July 1. Unfortunately, T. J. Bush, formerly of this village, is among the number to be laid off.

The Ivy Temple entertainment held Tuesday evening was well worth the price of admission, although not as well attended as it should have been. The ladies had about ten dollars left after paying expenses.

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We overheard the committee say, that the crackers, herring and limberger are all arranged for, to be served by the gentlemen at the Eastern Star lodge this week Friday. The supply will be ample for a full attendance.

The Detroit evening News of Friday in speaking of the exhibits of the Detroit Art Schools says: "The class is quite too large to mention deserving names," but in the antique the work of Loyd Clever of this village, appears with five others as meritorious. Mr. Clevers friends will be pleased to know his work of art is sufficiently fine to attract special notice and mention among an exhibition of hundreds of others, many of which are from much older artists.

L. D. Pocock of Chicago has been in the village the past ten days and has sold to Bandfield, Wilson & Moore a patent wire fence machine which is claimed to make the best wire fence on the market and at a price way below all other kinds. The new fence firm hope to receive the machinery soon and if it works up to their expectation they will require a building 100 feet long and employ a large number of men in manufacturing same, which will be a substantial addition to the industries of our village.

The annual opening at Streeter's Gun Lake landing, on Saturday and Sunday was well attended, especially on Sunday. The crowd was a very orderly one and the proprietor has his new steamer in running order and is doing all he can to make the resort a popular one. The most exciting feature occurred on Sunday when it became necessary for the steamer to go out and bring in three young ladies of our village who were unable to manage their row boat among the white caps.

Personal Points.

B. L. Johnson is spending the week in Sturgis.

Arno Gies is suffering with a broken collar bone.

Rev. H. Appleton is spending the day in Moline.

Wm. L. Cobb was in Freeport on business, Tuesday.

Wm. Carveth is now with Attorney H. E. Hendrick.

The Cronk house on East Main street is being re-painted.

Mrs. W. B. Brown is visiting relatives in Lowell this week.

Harry Guileman goes to Kalamazoo today to act as releif agent.

Atty. Alfred Wolcott of Grand Rapids was in the village, Tuesday.

Mrs. Wright, who has been acting as cook at the hotel, is on the sick list.

Archie Seacord returned Monday, from several months visit in Canada,

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Bandfield were in Lowell during the band tournament.

Dr. and Mrs. Lowry of Hastings were guests at Dr. A. L. Taylor's, Friday p. m.

Miss Olive Clever is spending a couple of weeks with relatives in Nashville.

Will Olmstead returned from Chicogo Friday, for a few days visit with his family.

Miss E. Aspinall of Grand Rapids, was a Sunday guest of Mr. and Mrs. Hobson.

Mr. and Mrs. Seth Gray of Caledonia, were guests of B. L. Johnson and wife Monday.

M. F. Jordan left this a. m. on a few days drive to the lake shore on legal business.

Harry A. Saunders was in attendance at the bicycle races in Charlotte, Tuesday.

Miss Mary Hunter of Traverse City, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Mark S. Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs David Allison of Detroit were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Hobson, over Sunday.

Mrs. R. T. French was the guest of her friend Mrs. O. E. Packard of Charlotte, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Moored of Salem visited at E. and T. E. Garrett's on the prairie over Sunday.

Fred W. Newson, a Grand Ledge merchant, was in the village awheel yesterday on business.

Messrs. Clyde and Earnest Truax of Peachbelt are guests of their uncle, H. E. Hendrick and family.

Chris. Schondelmayer and family returned Saturday morning from a visit with relatives in Canada.

W. E. Keeler is in attendance at Imperial Council Nobles of the Mystic Shrine in Detroit this week.

Messrs. Aaron Clark, W. E. Keeler and J. W. Saunders were in Grand Rapids on business, Monday.

Mrs. J. N. Olmstead and Mrs. Will Olmstead spent the first of the week with friends in Lake Odessa.

Misses Delia Hill and Sadie Bailey spent last Saturday with Myrtle Teadt in memory of their birthdays.

Guy Johnson formerly pitcher for the Kalamazoo College, has signed with the New Castle, Pa., ball team.

Geo. H. Penney of Goshen, N. Y., is the guest of his mother, Mrs. C. M. Paull, and other relatives in the village.

Mrs. Chas. Harper and two children left last evening ior Hagersville, Ont. They were accompanied by Mrs. Brown

Mrs. W. I. Wood of Caledonia, was in the village Saturday. Her sister Mrs. F. A. Colvin accompanied her home.

Neal Patterson who has been employed in M. L. Matteson's barber shop, for a few months, left Tuesday a. m. for Hart.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Chapman expect to Sunday with friends in Hastings, where they will attend Children's Day exercises.

Miss Lida Brown, who has been trimming, this season for Mrs. N. Griswold, returned to her home in Martin Monday.

Miss Nina Downing goes to Nashville to attend the graduating exercises Friday evening and will remain over Sunday with her parents.

Mrs. H. B. Hanlon left today for Bay Mills, where her husband is located. She was accompanied to Grand Rapids by her brother W. French.

Mrs. R. E. Combs and daughter, Mrs. W. E. Keeler, drove over to Lowell the first of the week for a few days' visit with Mrs. M. C. Griswold.

Mrs. W. H. Packard of Charlotte, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Keeler Friday and Saturday and was in attendance at the M. S. Keeler party.

George S. Bassett has resigned his position as teacher in the Nashville schools and is acting as railway mail clerk on the line between Battle Creek and Goshen, Ind.

Mrs. L. W. Seeley of Grand Rapids was the guest of her sister, Mrs. J. E. Ackerson. The two ladies went to Lowell to visit friends during the band ournament in that village.

Children in A. P. Dibble's family have the measles.

Mrs. Eva Talbott is in Grand Rapids today buying millinery goods.

Earl and Ray Van Avery went to Detroit on the excursion the 9th.

William Cridler is is Grand Rapids and Muskegon on business this week.

Mrs. C. M. Paul and son, G. Penney, went to Grand Rapids loday to visit relatives.

George and Robert Kraft of Caledonia, were guests of their brother N. C., Sunday.

L. Clark and wife of Cuba, N. Y., are guests of the former's brother, Frank Clark.

Mr and Mrs. J. F. Brandstetter expect to leave Saturday for Cleveland, Ohio, where they go on business for a few days.

Last week the creamery butter market was quoted one cent too high.

J. J. Hendershot drives a new double harness, bought of The J. E. Ackerson Harness Co.

Bessie Tabor and Win Miller ride new wheels bought of the J. E. Ackerson Harness Co.

Earl and Lee Pryor were in attendance at a league game of ball in Grand Rapids, Saturday.

Hugh Jamieson is quite sick with intermittant fever at the home of his son in this village.

J. E. Ackerson has taken the agency for the Wheelman's Guarantee Co. and will insure your wheel for $2 a year.

The case of J. P. Ferguson vs. J. W. Armstrong, in trover, before Justice Cobb on Monday, jury trial, resulted in a verdict of no cause of action.

Wm. McConnell has been at Gun lake a few days, building a fire place in M. S. Keeler's cottage, which by the way, when completed, will be one of the best at the lake.

ATTENTION KNIGHTS OF PYTHIANS!

A meeting of Knights of Pythians, will be held on Wednesday night June 16, for the transaction of special business. M. A. COYKENDALL, C. C.

DIED.

William Ackerson, aged 55 years, died at his home in this village on Wednesday, June 9, of catarrhal inflammation of the stomach. Deceased leaves a wife, two sons and two daughters to mourn his loss. He had been a resident of this state about fifty years and resided in Thornapple township twenty-seven years, living most of the time on his farm near Duncan Lake, where he was considered the best of neighbor and friend. The funeral will be held Friday at 11 a. m at the house, 12 m. at the Parmelee M. E. church.

Something new at Mrs. N. Griswold's International Perfumes and Toilet articles. Ladies call. 23-2

Dr. Cook, dentist, will be at St. James hotel, Middleville, Wednesday, June 16; Irving, Thursday, June 17.

A fine line of ladies' walking shoes.
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The new meat market on the west side will open Saturday. Cash paid for butter and eggs.

Young & Chaffee's big store on Ottawa street, Grand Rapids, is filled with the latest styles of furniture in every line. It's sample furniture and it is going at half the regular prices.
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Tomato and cabbage plants for sale. Will exchange for butter and eggs.
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M. E. AID SOCIETY.

The M. E. Aid society will meet in the church parlors Friday, June 11, '97. Ladies to entertain: Mrs. Payne, Mrs. Putnam, Mrs. Morgan, Mrs. Masters, Mrs. Wilcox, Mrs Sackett, Mrs. Olmstead, Mrs. D. Mitchell, Mrs. A. Caldwell. A cordial invitation to all.

BAPTIST AID SOCIETY.

The Baptist Aid society will meet in church parlors on Friday, June 18. Business meeting promptly at 4 p. m. Supper served from 5 to 7 by the following ladies: Mesdames Ackerson, Annison, Biss, Boorn, Brown, Bray, Chase, Clever and Coykendall. All are invited.

"Guy D." Mark 2:24, Morgan and Wilkes cross will stand on Wednesdays at Aubil's livery barn, at Middleville; At Caledonia Thursdays. He is a pacer and a dandy. Call and see him before breeding. 22-3

WEST SIDE

MEAT MARKET.

I will open my market on the west side on Saturday, June 12 and invite a share of the public patronage.

All Cuts at reasonable prices.

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CONVICTS FIGHT FIRE

QUENCH FLAMES IN THE LANSING, KAS., PRISON.

All Were "Trusties," and Made No Break for Liberty—Gigantic Railroad Project—Spain Will Not Swap Horses While Crossing the Stream.

Fire in a Penitentiary.

Nearly 1,000 men, who are imprisoned in the State penitentiary at Lansing, Kan., passed an unusually uncomfortable hour Friday night. Fire broke out in the prison about 9 o'clock, and soon all the men held within the walls were in an uproar. The fire seemed to be spreading rapidly in the tailoring establishment and the chapel, and the imprisoned men cried and begged of their keepers to be released. Finally the flames became so threatening that fifty convicts, all of them trusties, were released to assist the officers in their struggle with the fire. There was no break for liberty, but the men performed their duty heroically, and the fire was ultimately quenched, after a damage of about $8,000 had been done.

SPAIN FEARS TO CHANGE.

Canovas and His Former Cabinet to Remain in Charge of Affairs.

A Madrid dispatch of Sunday says: As the only practicable method of solving the crisis, Senor Canovas is to continue in power. The new ministry will be practically the same as the former one. The Duke of Tetuan continues Minister of State. It is popularly supposed that Gen. Weyler will be recalled. At a cabinet council held Sunday afternoon at his residence Senor Canovas, the Premier, announced that the Queen Regent had renewed his powers and those of the Cabinet, in terms most flattering to him and his colleagues. It is understood that the Government does not contemplate any immediate change in the supreme command in Cuba. The surprise and displeasure of the various sections of the opposition are not easy to describe.

JAMES LEWIS IS HANGED.

He Suffers the Death Penalty on the Gallows at Fairfax, Va.

James Lewis, colored, who was recently convicted of attacking Mrs. Reidell, was hanged Friday at Fairfax, Va., in the presence of about fifty people. The crime for which Lewis suffered was a brutal one and stirred the indignation of the people of the surrounding country almost to the lynching point. He had three trials in as many days, the jury in the first two cases being unable to agree and in the last trial declaring him guilty and imposing the death penalty. He asserted his innocence until Thursday, when he admitted his crime and also confessed to others of a similar nature, for one of which he served a term in jail.

Race for the Pennants.

Following is the standing of the clubs in the National Baseball League:

	W.	L.		W.	L.
Baltimore	24	9	Brooklyn	19	17
Cincinnati	24	12	Philadelphia	19	19
Boston	23	12	Louisville	16	20
Pittsburg	19	15	Chicago	14	22
New York	18	15	Washington	9	24
Cleveland	18	16	St. Louis	8	30

The showing of the members of the Western League is summarized below:

	W.	L.		W.	L.
St. Paul	28	13	Detroit	18	20
Indianapolis	22	14	Minneapolis	18	24
Columbus	22	14	Gr'd Rapids	13	25
Milwaukee	23	17	Kansas City	12	29

New Railroad from Sea to Sea.

A transcontinental railroad, from tidewater to tidewater, is the gigantic enterprise which was set in motion Friday, when $30,000 was paid at Springfield, Ill., for the incorporation of a company with a capital stock of $30,000,000. The Baltimore and Ohio, the Wisconsin Central, the Chicago and Northern Pacific and the Northern Pacific systems figure in the great undertaking. By a consolidation of these, their branches and connections, will be produced the new system, one end of which will touch the Atlantic and the other the Pacific.

Fear Trouble at Pittsburg.

Friday was pay day at Jones & Laughlin's, and as each man was paid he was told the mill would start Monday and was asked if he intended to report for work then. The men said not unless their demands were granted. All were discharged. There are now 3,700 men on strike, and trouble is feared if an attempt is made to start with non-union men.

Rev. John D. Knox Acquitted.

The ecclesiastical trial of the Rev. John D. Knox of Topeka, Kan., on charges of hypocrisy and fraud has resulted in a verdict of acquittal. Bishop Merrill of Chicago, who presided at the trial, refused to say more than that Mr. Knox had been acquitted. The charges were an outgrowth of the failure, several years ago, of a bank which Knox started at Topeka.

Doctor Arrested for Murder.

Dr. Lewis F. Preston was arrested at Denver, Colo., on a warrant charging him with the murder of David Prank, a cigarmaker from Brooklyn, N. Y. Dr. Preston is a consumption specialist, and Prank died under his treatment.

Great Fire in Alexandria.

The greatest fire that ever visited Alexandria, Va., broke out in Bryan's fertilizing mill Thursday night and raged with great fury for about eight hours, causing a total damage of from $450,000 to $500,000, partly insured.

For Selling Liquor to Indians.

The Federal grand jury at Seattle, Wash., brought in a batch of indictments against men accused of selling liquor to the Indians of the Yakima reservation. All save three pleaded guilty and were sentenced to the penitentiary.

To Pay Argentina's Debts.

The cabinet of Argentina has decided to present to Congress a bill providing for the payment of all external debts, amounting to about $80,000,000.

VERDICT IS FOR SEARLES.

Decision Rendered in Favor of Sugar-Trust Witness.

In the case of John E. Searles, the sugar trust witness, Judge Bradley ordered the jury to bring in a verdict of acquittal, holding that the questions asked the witness by the Senate Committee were not pertinent, and, if so, were not within the jurisdiction of the committee. The judge's opinion was exhaustive. It had been reduced to writing. He pointed out that Mr. Searles had testified specifically that no money had been contributed by the sugar trust to the national campaign or for the purpose of influencing legislation or the election of United States Senators. As to the local contributions, Mr. Searles had testified that he did not know how the contributions had been used, by whom or for what purpose. The questions put to the defendant were claimed to be pertinent to the second and third divisions of the Senatorial inquiry, namely, as to whether the sugar trust had contributed sums to campaign funds with the purpose of influencing the election of a United States Senator and whether any Senator had been a party to a compact with the sugar trust. Certainly, the judge said, a simple investigation as to whether the sugar trust had contributed to a campaign fund would be an unwarranted search into the private affairs of the company and plainly beyond the power of the Senate. The Senate Committee had reported that no testimony had been produced to show that the sugar trust had made any contributions to any national campaign fund or for the purpose of affecting legislation. If money had gone for the purpose of electing members of State Legislatures who in time would elect a United States Senator, it was beyond the power of the United States Senate to go behind the election of legislative members.

EARTHQUAKE IN MANY STATES.

Old Mother Earth Gives to Several Cities a Severe Shaking-Up.

Cincinnati was visited by an earthquake on Monday. Precisely at 1 o'clock, in different portions of the city, the vibrations were so plainly felt that typesetters engaged upon the seventh floor of newspaper offices were so startled that they left their work and ran to the floors below. In the telephone exchange the shock was keenly felt by the operators, and operators of the Western Union Telegraph Company also felt the building sway back and forth. The United States Weather Bureau reported that the shock was distinctly felt in the Government building. In several of the down-town restaurants the same thing was felt, and in the kitchens the tins on the walls rattled. The shock was felt in the Canadas, many Ohio cities, Washington, the Virginias, Maryland, Indiana, Pennsylvania, Kentucky, Tennessee and the Carolinas, though no damage was done.

FIVE MEET INSTANT DEATH.

Tally-Ho Struck by a Long Island Passenger Train at Valley Stream.

A Long Island passenger train crashed into a coach containing a picnicking party of twenty-one young people on the Merrick Road near Valley Stream, L. I., Monday afternoon. Of the twenty-one members of the Alpha Delta Theta Society of Green Avenue Baptist Church, Brooklyn, who were on the coach, five are dead, two fatally hurt, and eleven others are more or less severely injured. Only one man had time to jump. The others were piled up in the wreck. When the train steamed back to the scene of horror men and women were lying all about, four of them already still in death and fourteen others in agony. Even after the dead and wounded had been taken away human fragments were found among the shattered panels and twisted harness.

Wife Murder Charged.

Adolph L. Luetgert, the Chicago sausage manufacturer, who is charged with murdering his wife and destroying the body in a vat of chemicals, was held to the grand jury Tuesday afternoon by Justice Kersten. For a week the defendant has been before the police justice on a preliminary hearing. Nearly all of the time of the court has been consumed by the examination of the State's witnesses. The defense declined to present any testimony, and the attorneys battled for the release of the defendant on the ground that the State had not made out its case. When the court rendered the decision Luetgert sat at the rear of his attorneys. As the justice reviewed the case briefly the defendant leaned forward, his hand resting on a chair in front, and listened intently to every word spoken by the court. When the court reached that portion of his decision which sent the sausage-maker to the cell to await the action of the grand jury his face was like marble. As the justice stated that the evidence was sufficient to prove beyond a reasonable doubt that Mrs. Luetgert was dead and that there was sufficient circumstantial evidence to connect Luetgert with the case as the probable agent a slight tremor of the lip was all that was noticeable.

Canovas and Cabinet "Get from Under."

Premier Canovas del Castillo and his conservative cabinet are out of office in Spain. The Queen Regent Wednesday night accepted the resignations, which were offered in the morning, and the destinies of Spain and of Cuba will be in new hands. While ostensibly the Tetuan-Comas face-slapping incident in the Senate is given as the cause of the cabinet crisis, it is well known that Cuba provoked the upheaval. Canovas saw that the island is lost to Spain, and he shirks the odium of being a party to the international transaction that will bring freedom to the island.

Crop Outlook in South Dakota.

Special reports from every county in South Dakota show that the crop conditions east of the James river are as favorable as any ever recorded, while west of the James they are good, though rain is needed. The total report from the State shows that the outlook is better than it has been for several years, and that with rain in a few places a remarkable crop will be gathered.

General Observance of Memorial Day.

Observance of Memorial Day was general throughout the country, and everywhere the exercises were of impressive character. Pleasant weather prevailed at most places, and in most instances the affairs of the day were under direction of the G. A. R.

Big Wheat Crop in Sight.

Kansas will produce over 40,000,000 bushels of wheat this year. From every section of the State the most flattering reports are received. Many fields are ready for the harvest in the southern sections, where the crop is six feet high.

MAY'S DEATH RECORD.

PULMONARY DISEASES KILL A GREAT MANY IN CHICAGO.

Consumption and Pneumonia Prevalent—Pennsylvania Miners Postpone the Threatened Strike—Cleveland Declines to Represent Venezuela.

Remarkable May Record.

Remarkable statistics in regard to the Chicago death rate are shown by the monthly report of the health department, made public Thursday. During the month of May 416 deaths were caused by lung troubles—208 by pneumonia and the same number by consumption. Yet the death rate from all causes is greatly reduced from that of one year ago, and the fatality among children is less than has ever before been recorded. There were 1,709 deaths from all causes during the month, as against 1,804 for the same period last year. In April of this year 1,728 persons died. The report shows the following comparative death rate per 1,000 persons:

April, 1897.....12.98
May, 1897.....12.41
May, 1896.....13.51

The decrease in the fatality among infants under 1 year of age is marked. In May of this year the deaths reported were 345. The number recorded for May, 1896, is 477. The death rate among children between the age of 1 and 5 years is not only less than last year, but with that of infants is the lowest of which the city has any record. Under this head the report shows 266 deaths in April, 1897, 224 in May, 1897, and 236 in May, 1896. Another interesting feature of the report is a comparison of the death rate between the white and colored population of the city, establishing a record never before kept by the city. The percentage of deaths per 1,000 of white population is 12.27, while that among the colored people is 23.27. The authorities of the health department are at a loss to account for the high percentage among the colored people, unless the explanation be found in the fact that they are more susceptible to climatic influences.

SCARE FOR TOM REED.

Crank Sends the Speaker a Letter Threatening Assassination.

The Washington detectives have fixed upon an eccentric young man named Monroe as the party who wrote a threatening letter to Speaker Reed, in which it was strongly intimated that if he did not change his policy and permit certain legislation to be enacted he would be killed. Monroe made himself conspicuous during the Coxey invasion three years ago and is known to the authorities as the "Boy Detective." He is an excitable person, who, under ordinary circumstances, would be considered harmless, but under pressure of excitement might feel himself called upon to re-enact the role of Guiteau. He was confined at one time in St. Elizabeth's, an institution on the outskirts of Washington for people of unbalanced minds. Speaker Reed was in no manner disturbed over the receipt of the threatening communication referred to, but some of his friends were exercised and placed the matter in the hands of the police, who were not long in locating the responsibility, to their satisfaction, at least. Their suspicions were at first aroused by the young man's persistency in following Speaker Reed, and further by his industry in circulating the story of the letter among newspaper men.

MINERS' STRIKE PUT OFF.

Pennsylvania Workers Still Demand 69 Cents a Ton.

There will be no strike of the 23,000 miners in the Pittsburg district for the present. This was decided at Thursday's delegate convention, and is largely due to National President Ratchford's address advising moderation. Resolutions were adopted demanding a uniform rate of 69 cents per ton for mining, but deferring the strike until such time as the national executive board should consider it advisable. The convention was one of the largest ever held in Pittsburg, there being 96 delegates, representing over 100 mines.

Almighty Voice at Large.

The latest dispatch from Duck lake, Man., regarding Almighty Voice, the Indian outlaw and murderer, in whose attempted capture four men were killed and four wounded, shows he is still uncaptured. The dispatch says that Captain Gagnon, with a seven-pounder field gun, arrived at the bluff before dark Saturday night and fired seven shells into the bluff. At dusk, when everything had quieted, Almighty Voice yelled to them that they were doing well, but would have to do better.

"New Fourth of July."

The National Christian Citizenship League again calls upon all ministers for Christian Citizenship sermons on July Fourth, and upon all who love our country to unite in observing Saturday, July 3, with rousing celebrations on definite Christian Citizenship lines.

Bank Cashier Sentenced.

In the criminal court at Lebanon, Tenn., in the case of the State vs. W. E. Hale the jury found him guilty of unlawfully receiving deposits and fixed his sentence at five years in the penitentiary. The case will be appealed. Hale was cashier of the Bank of Watertown.

Crazed by His Wife's Death.

Edgar Harris, a Baltimore letter-carrier, shot and killed his 12-year-old son George and his daughter Ada, wounded his daughter Ella, aged 14, and then turned the pistol on himself. Harris is thought to have been mentally unbalanced by the recent death of his wife.

Killed by a Folding Bed.

A folding bed in the Union House at Montpelier, Vt., closed automatically during Saturday night, while Henry Kendall, aged 63, was asleep in it. He was dead when taken out, having either been smothered or died of heart failure induced by fright.

Mr. Cleveland Declines.

President Crespo of Venezuela has received a letter from ex-President Cleveland declining to act as counsel for Venezuela before the arbitration tribunal.

Fell Dead on 'Change.

Samuel L. Frost died on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange Thursday. He was seized with heart disease and succumbed in a few minutes.

Dogs as Passengers' Baggage.

The Pennsylvania Railroad issued an order that in future dogs will be carried as passengers' baggage.

CHICAGO'S BIG ROAD RACE.

Won in 1:07:04 2-5 by a 51-Year Old Man Named Smedley.

W. D. Smedley, of the Calumet Cycling Club, whom some of the ambitious cracks called "papa" at the start, because he is 51 years old, made a twirling trail of dust ahead of them all the way from Wheeling to the finish in Garfield Park, winning the eleventh annual road race of the Associated Cycling Clubs of Chicago from the limit, 15 minutes, in 1:07:04 2-5. The time prize was won by Henry O'Brien, of the Lake View-Clarendon Wheelmen, from the one-minute mark, in 1:03:08. Fred Nelson, of the Independent Cycling Club, a brother of O. P. Nelson, who won first place in the road race last year, was the second in the time contest, being only six seconds slower. Following him, in order for time prizes, were O. Adams and Jim Levy. E. Sickels, a Morgan Park man, rode second to Smedley for place, and fortune again favored the Calumets, for W. Roeder, another member of the club, took third, and almost captured second place, being beaten out by a narrow margin. The distance covered was close to twenty-five miles.

TURN HOSE ON CONVICTS.

Guards Drench Rebellious Prisoners at San Quentin.

So far as external evidences go things are in an improved condition at the penitentiary at San Quentin, Cal. The State Board of Prison Directors held a special meeting and authorized the warden to shoot down convicts if necessary to restore order. One hundred rifles were borrowed from the armory of Company D, at San Rafael, and sent to the prison. Ten extra guards were employed and placed on the prison walls. Capt. Birlem ordered out the fire hose. The nozzle was poked into the wicket of each cell and the convicts were thoroughly drenched. This operation was continued until 8 o'clock and finally the yelling and cursing ceased.

MURDERED BY BURGLARS.

Isaac J. Hill, of Farmington, Ohio, Killed by Unknown Thieves.

Isaac J. Hill, a farmer living at Farmington, O., was murdered Saturday night by burglars. Hill lived with his aged mother. The robbers broke into the house and, after binding and otherwise maltreating the old woman, they went upstairs, where Hill slept. They first clubbed Hill over the head and then shot him. There were evidences in the house in the morning of a terrible struggle, which goes to show that Hill made a desperate resistance. So far as known the robbers got nothing, as Mrs. Hill says there was no money in the house. There is no clew to the murderers.

Formosa Rebels Routed.

According to mail advices another crisis is precipitated in Corean affairs by the action of Russia in virtually forcing the acceptance of her officers as instructors after the Cabinet had decided to abandon the proposal. All the Ministers, including Kim Pyong and Cho Pyong-Chong, who had opposed the scheme, have tendered their resignations. Twatutia, in the neighborhood of Taipeh, Formosa, was attacked by about 600 bandits the morning of May 8. The Japanese troops, police and gendarmerie, who had been preparing for the attack, engaged the bandits, and after a fight lasting two hours and a half repulsed them. In the encounter about 100 rebels were killed, including the ringleader, named Tan-Ching, fifty wounded and seventeen captured.

Burned Them to Death.

A special from Welch, W. Va., says: Five children were burned to death in the residence of J. H. White, two miles from Keyston, the other night. Enemies of the family are believed to have fired the house. Both White and his wife were away on a visit, and their five children were left alone in their farmhouse.

This Pays $1,800 a Year.

The Civil Service Commission will hold a special examination on July 28 for establishing a register from which appointment may be made to the position of assistant chief in the division of soils in the Agricultural Department. The salary of this position is $1,800 per annum

Struck by a Train.

J. W. Roberts, with his wife and two children, was struck by an Illinois Central north-bound passenger train at Alma, Ill., and all were instantly killed. They were driving in a wagon

Loot a Safe of $400.

Masked men entered the office of the United States Express Company at Kendallville, Ind., assaulted the messenger, and looted the safe, securing $40.

THE MARKETS.

Chicago—Cattle, common to prime, $3.50 to $5.50; hogs, shipping grades, $3.00 to $3.75; sheep, fair to choice, $2.00 to $5.00; wheat, No. 2 red, 68c to 69c; corn, No. 2, 23c to 24c; oats, No. 2, 17c to 18c; rye, No. 2, 33c to 34c; butter, choice creamery, 14c to 15c; eggs, fresh, 7c to 9c; potatoes, per bushel, 15c to 30c; broom corn, common growth to choice green hurl, $25 to $70 per ton.

Indianapolis—Cattle, shipping, $3.00 to $5.25; hogs, choice light, $3.00 to $3.75; sheep, common to choice, $3.00 to $4.50; wheat, No. 2, 76c to 78c; corn, No. 2 white, 24c to 25c; oats, No. 2 white, 21c to 23c.

St. Louis—Cattle, $3.00 to $5.50; hogs, $3.00 to $3.75; sheep, $3.00 to $4.75; wheat, No. 2, 83c to 84c; corn, No. 2 yellow, 22c to 23c; oats, No. 2 white, 16c to 18c; rye, No. 2, 31c to 32c.

Cincinnati—Cattle, $2.50 to $5.00; hogs, $3.00 to $3.75; sheep, $2.50 to $4.75; wheat, No. 2, 79c to 81c; corn, No. 2 mixed, 25c to 26c; oats, No. 2 mixed, 20c to 21c; rye, No. 2, 34c to 36c.

Detroit—Cattle, $2.50 to $5.25; hogs, $3.00 to $3.75; sheep, $2.00 to $4.75; wheat, No. 2 red, 76c to 77c; corn, No. 2 yellow, 24c to 26c; oats, No. 2 white, 23c to 24c; rye, 34c to 36c.

Toledo—Wheat, No. 2 red, 77c to 78c; corn, No. 2 mixed, 23c to 25c; oats, No. 2 white, 17c to 19c; rye, No. 2, 34c to 36c; clover seed, $4.20 to $4.30.

Milwaukee—Wheat, No. 2 spring, 70c to 71c; corn, No. 3, 22c to 24c; oats, No. 2 white, 20c to 22c; barley, No. 2, 28c to 33c; rye, No. 1, 34c to 36c; pork, mess, $7.50 to $8.00.

Buffalo—Cattle, $2.50 to $5.50; hogs, $3.00 to $4.00; sheep, $3.00 to $4.75; wheat, No. 2 red, 80c to 81c; corn, No. 2 yellow, 27c to 28c; oats, No. 2 white, 24c to 26c.

New York—Cattle, $3.00 to $5.50; hogs, $3.50 to $4.50; sheep, $3.00 to $4.75; wheat, No. 2 red, 74c to 76c; corn, No. 2, 29c to 30c; oats, No. 2 white, 21c to 23c; butter, creamery, 14c to 16c; eggs, Western, 10c to 11c.

SETTLERS IN DANGER.

CHEYENNE INDIANS START ON THE WARPATH.

Rumors that at Least a Dozen White Men Have Been Killed—Further Slaughter Likely to Follow if Troops Do Not Interfere.

Cheyennes in Revolt.

The Cheyenne Indians have gone on the war path in Montana and are said to have killed almost a dozen men, including five United States soldiers. The Indians have no reservation, but roam over the southern part of the State. The white settlers are up in arms and the women and children are being sent into the northern towns for safety.

The Cheyennes make the Lame Deer agency their headquarters. Hoover, a sheep herder, was recently shot by Indians while herding sheep. He was killed because he caught several Indians killing sheep. This so incensed the stockmen that they have armed themselves and will fight to protect their homes, help and stock. Two companies of colored cavalry from Custer were ordered to the agency Wednesday, and Saturday a courier arrived from the agency with the information that George Walters, the postmaster, and Lou Alderson, a stockman, had been shot and killed; also that the Indians had shot into the cavalry and killed five men and had sixty armed cowboys surrounded. The cavalry from Fort Keough and Company E of the infantry left for the scene. There are certainly grounds for fear. The Cheyennes are determined and they are being re-enforced by renegade Crows. Rosebud ranchers received a consignment of rifles and ammunition at this point. Settlers have moved all their families from near the reservation.

Ranchmen and stockmen have organized at Cheyenne agency and demand the Indians who killed Hoover. The names of the Indians are known and they are protected by fifty bucks. Sheriff Gibbs and Coroner Bateman have returned from

INDIAN COUNTRY IS SHADED.

Barringer's ranch, in the neighborhood of which the inquest was held on the body of Hoover. The verdict was that he came to his death by two shots fired by Cheyenne Indians.

While the inquest was proceeding sixty men under Legislator James Brown arrived on their way to the agency. The Sheriff pleaded with them to return and told them sixty of them against 400 or 500 Indians armed and such fighters as the Cheyennes are would be helpless. The Sheriff learned that the crime was committed by three of the band led by White Bull, who said a day or so previous that his heart was bad; that he wanted to eat white man's heart. The agent said that he knew one of the murderers, and thought with a little time they could find the others, would arrest them, and turn them over to the civil authorities with what evidence they had. He had requested a sufficient force of soldiers to surround the Indians, and said he would cut off rations till the murderers were turned over. The Sheriff and committee went back to the main body, which had been augmented by twenty men from the Rosebud, and made report. Though there was much dissatisfaction at the turn affairs had taken, they agreed to disperse for two weeks to allow the agent time to make the arrest. If not then done the original plan of attacking the Indians is to be carried out. The women have been gathered at several ranches for protection under a guard of ten or twelve men in each instance.

Gen. Carlos Aguirre.

The Cuban leader who was dragged to death tied to the tail of a horse by the Spanish soldiers.

COLDEST MAY ON RECORD.

Month Just Closed Sets a New Mark for the Weather Bureau.

Last month will go down as the coldest May on record. In the records for the last twenty-six years, beyond which time the Weather Bureau can tell us nothing, no May can be found which gave as low an average temperature by two degrees as the month just ended. The lowest record on the weather man's books for May was in 1875, when the thermometer went down to 25 degrees, but this was an exception rather than the rule. In Chicago May 1 showed a temperature of 33 degrees and the following day went only one better. These were the coldest days of the month, and May 19, when the mercury ran up to 81 degrees, was the warmest.

The Chinese Government has decided to adopt the free delivery postal system and has honored a Chicagoan with an offer to assume charge of the undertaking, the same being Fred F. Stoll, formerly general superintendent of city delivery in that city.

Harry Singleton, who murdered Officer McCormick two years ago, and Thomas Milton, who murdered his mistress, both condemned murderers, had a desperate fight in jail at Tampa, Fla., and Milton was nearly cut to pieces.

SMEDLEY IS THE VICTOR.

Wins the Chicago Road Race of the Associated Cycling Clubs.

William D. Smedley, picked by the experts as the slowest rider among 498 contestants in the eleventh Chicago road race, won with a mile of daylight between him and his closest pursuer. Time, 1:07:04 2-5. He ran so far in advance of the flying host that he robbed even the second and third men of much of their honors. Henry O'Brien captured the time prize, his figure being 1:03:08. He broke the record for the Wheeling course, which is a fraction under twenty-five miles. Smedley is 51 years old. His training has been going on for only two weeks. He worked so hard during the race that he was dead—physically—at the end, and had barely enough breath left to tell the jam which brought him congratulations to carry the good news to his wife.

There have been eleven Chicago road races. They have all been well contested, and some of them have produced

W. D. SMEDLEY.

wonderful performances. The race grew out of a hare and hound chase on the old style high, or ordinary, wheels back in 1886. That was on Thanksgiving Day, however, instead of Memorial Day, which has been the date of the race every year since. In the next year, 1887, cycling interest in Chicago grew marvelously. There were several fellows in the hare and hound chase of the year before who had speed ambitions. They came together early in the spring and talked about a repetition of the chase, but decided that a genuine road race would be better sport. The first Pullman road race, as the event was then called, was the result. It was run on Memorial Day over the Pullman course every year after until 1894. Then it was transferred to the North Side and changed in name to the Chicago road race.

It almost invariably happens that the rider who wins the race is an unknown. He is usually some fleet fellow whose speed is underrated by the handicapper and who has the luck in not being thrown in any of the many collisions that occur along the course. With the winner of the time prize, however, it is differnt. He is usually a rider of experience whose speed is known and has often been proved.

EARTH IN A QUAKE.

Slight but Distinct Shock Causes Alarm in Many States.

A distinct but slight earthquake was experienced Monday throughout the South Atlantic and Middle Southern States. It is stated at the Weather Bureau at Washington that the direction of the wave was from south to north, but reports received from various sections are conflicting. Savannah, Ga., was the furthest point south at which the tremor was felt, while the northern boundary of the wave was middle Maryland. West it was felt as far as Knoxville, Tenn. The disturbance seems to have been most severe in the Appalachian Mountain region.

The shock was felt in Cincinnati and suburbs. The printers ran out of the Times-Star office. Occupants of other buildings were alarmed and at Coney Island, Chester Park, the Zoological Gardens and elsewhere there was consternation among the holiday crowds. At the lagoon on the Kentucky side there was a panic among several thousand people on the grounds. The waters in the lagon were so rough that the life-saving crew went to the relief of those out in the electric pleasure boats. At Knoxville, Tenn., two distinct shocks were felt. Several large buildings were badly shaken and two chimneys fell. In Charleston, W. Va., the earthquake was felt all over the city. In many buildings the furniture was moved by the vibrations. The people were panic-stricken and many ran out of the large business houses thinking the buildings were about to tumble down. The vibrations were from north to south and lasted fifteen seconds.

A distinct shock was felt in Louisville, Ky., but no damage was done. The shock perceptibly shook Asheville, N. C. Hundreds of occupants of buildings ran into the streets. At Indianapolis many persons felt the shock. Visitors to the court house tower thought the building was falling and hurried down.

Ex-President Harrison is taking bicycle lessons. He wears a suit of Scotch homespun.

The New York Order of Confederate Women has elected Mrs. Jefferson Davis honorary president.

Paderewski gets $5,000 for one concert in London in jubilee week. Patti gets a like sum for three songs.

Archduke Franz Ferdinand d'Este, heir to the throne of Austria, who was supposed to be dying of consumption, is recovering in Southern Tyrol.

Henry B. Cheatham, the colored man who was recently appointed recorder of deeds for the District of Columbia, owns much property in the District.

Admiral Canevaro, commanding the fleets of the powers off the coast of Crete, was born in Peru, of a Genoese father. His brother is Peruvian minister to Italy and France.

Gen. Nelson A. Miles will be present at the Queen's jubilee as the military representative of the United States Government. Ambassador Hay will be the diplomatic representative.

Mr. Fairfield, head of the South African department of the British colonial office, who died recently in Italy, was the one man who probably knew all about the attempted outrage in the Transvaal.

STATE OF MICHIGAN.

OCCURRENCES DURING THE PAST WEEK.

Coldblooded Murder of Alexander Boulton at Newberry by a Worthless Drunkard—Trouble Over Taxation at Manistee—Big Mortgage Foreclosed.

Another Brutal Crime.

At Newberry Richard Palmer stabbed Alexander Boulton through the heart Saturday evening about 6 o'clock. About 6:15 Richard Palmer went to Boulton's house and said he wished to see Boulton on business and they went over to David Riberg's saloon and were in there a few minutes when Palmer called for a drink, but could not pay for it, and Boulton, not being a drinking man, did not drink and they sat down. Palmer, who was under the influence of liquor and without any provocation whatever, drew a large jackknife and stabbed Boulton through the heart. Boulton fell to the floor and Thos. Boulton, son of the deceased, came in and his father said, "Tom, I'm done for," and died. Palmer sat in his chair for fifteen minutes before the officers came. He does not realize what he has done. Palmer is a worthless fellow about 50 years of age. Alexander Bulton was over 74 and a much respected man. Palmer was placed in jail by Under Sheriff Cyr and Marshal McLean.

A Queer Case Ended.

One of the most peculiar cases ever tried in the Lenawee County Court has just ended at Adrian in a compromise. Oliver Allen, an 80-year-old bachelor, who died near Clinton last November, willed all his property, valued at $25,000, to the superannuated preachers' fund, and the educational board of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Seven nephews and nieces contested the will on the grounds of incompetency and that the deceased had been unduly influenced by church people, but were defeated in the Probate Court. The case was then appealed by them to the Circuit Court. At the last moment, however, a compromise was effected, by which the church agreed to pay $7,000 to the relatives. The testator made his will seven years before his death and cut off a maiden sister, who had lived with him all her life, without a cent. Fortunately she died before he did. For seven years prior to his death, the old man did not go to church, and the fact that he left so large a sum for mission purposes was considered strange.

Involves a Roadbed.

Mrs. George A. Wilcox, Mrs. George T. Mosher and Mrs. Charles Johnston, sisters, comprise the James Berry heirs, and they have commenced foreclosure proceedings on a $25,000 mortgage given by the old Adrian and Detroit Railroad Company, formed in 1870, to build a line between Adrian and Detroit, for which James Berry had the contract for grading between Adrian and Saline. Mr. Berry performed the work and was given a mortgage on the roadbed and right of way Should the heirs secure the title, the question of ownership will become an issue between them and the Detroit and Lima Northern Company, which has used this roadbed between Adrian and Tecumseh, ten miles. The company has warranty deeds from most of the farmers to whom the land is supposed to have reverted.

Raised Assessments.

The Board of Review for Manistee closed a most sensational three days' session. Assessments on real estate and personal property were raised on all sides. The majority of the board were elected by the reform party this spring, and a direct blow was struck at the lumber industry. Assessments on mill property and logs were increased, and several manufacturers have threatened to leave the city. The board cut down the raise in many cases upon sworn statements of the interested parties. The roll will be increased about half a million. Upon their own motion the personal property tax of John Canfield was increased from $200,000 to $750,000, then reduced within a day to $250,000 without request from any person.

Minor State Matters.

At Grand Rapids the Grand Rapids Savings and Kent County Savings banks gave notice that after July 1 the interest rate on deposits will be reduced from 4 to 3 per cent. Some of the other banks will do the same, but have not declared themselves. The reduction is made because of the difficulty in placing loans and the large amounts of money on hand.

Alexander McKay, a pioneer of the Saginaw Valley, died at Bay City. He came to Bay City from Inverness, Scotland, in 1849 and engaged in lumbering operations. He helped clear the land on which Bay City now stands, make the first streets and build the first sidewalks. He was born Sept. 16, 1816, and was married Feb. 9, 1833, to Ann Fraser who, with three children, James A. McKay, Mrs. C. D. Vail and Mrs. S. T. Thorne, survive him.

Catherine, the litle daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dittenhaver, of Paulding, Ohio, was scalded to death at Battle Creek. Mrs. Dittenhaver had sprained her angle and her husband was bathing her leg in hot water when the little girl reached upon the table and pulled a pitcher of hot water upon her. They have been stopping at the sanitarium for treatment. The broken-hearted parents returned home with the remains.

Edwin Johnson, a well-known young man of Holland Township, near Millbrook, met death in a manner somewhat rare. He was continually practicing athletic sports, and also learning to do tumbling. He had rigged up a wire about four feet above the ground, and was in the act of throwing a somersault over it, when the springboard failed him, and he pitched heavily on head and shoulders, sustaining injuries that caused almost instant death.

Mrs. Harriet Higgins, of Wakelee, fell from a "Maple Leaf" passenger train near Kansas City, Mo., and the car wheels cut off her head. The woman was on her way to live with her son at Columbus, Kan. Her age was 50 years.

The County Road Commissioners of Chippewa County have made a good move by declaring that all wagons used by contractors on county road work must have tires at least three inches wide. If other counties would follow this example, it might prove the entering wedge for a great reform in the direction of good roads.

Menominee County has seventy-eight miles of good roads, and has expended nearly $75,000 in their building and maintenance.

Mrs. Thomas Thorn, of Clinton, lost a gold ring twenty-three years ago. Her husband found it a few days ago while at work in the garden.

The Ernst Feige Desk Company at Saginaw are completing a contract for five carloads of desks to be shipped to Europe. They expect to complete the work in about three weeks.

A St. Joseph man who has been much annoyed of late by tramps has placed on his back door the following sign: "I kill a tramp every week, and this is your week." The Willies come to the door and knock, and while waiting for a response read the sign, and when the door is opened they are making good time to get out of the vicinity.

James Round of Sebawa had some dynamite cartridges which he was going to throw away the other day, as he did not believe they were good. However, he lighted the fuse to one and threw it on the ground. It did not seem to burn and he picked it up, and just as he did so it exploded, taking away a portion of the thumb of the right hand and badly lacerating the forefinger.

Mun Spurgeon, a young man 30 years old, with a family at Fife Lake, was instantly killed Saturday night by the discharge of his rifle. He took his gun after supper and asked his little boy if he would like to go hunting. He then blew down the barrel, and as no air escaped through the tube, he pressed the hammer back with his foot. The gun was loaded and his head was nearly blown off.

Another great expense to Kent County was commenced when Joseph Welsh was arraigned at Grand Rapids upon the charge of murdering his wife. It had been expected that he would plead guilty, as he said that he would, but several lawyers have been at work upon him and convinced him that he can get clear. He will therefore plead not guilty and demand a trial, and as he has not a cent in the world the county will pay the expense of his lawyers. The plea they will make is that he was drunk when he shot his wife and therefore not responsible, and that he was angered by his daughter until he lost all control of himself.

The store of the Miller Hardware Company, Bay City, one of the oldest concerns in the county, did not open its doors Tuesday morning, but instead posted announcements on the windows that the store was closed for inventory and in the hands of Charles A. Eddy as assignee. Mr. Eddy said that he could not say what the assets or liabilities were, because he did not know them. The annual statement of the company for the year ending Feb. 1 last showed a capital stock of $100,000, all paid in, of which $30,000 was preferred. The personal estate was placed at $77,101.93, the debts at $46,213.18 and the credits at $77,322.10. There are no preferred creditors.

The Michigan weather crop bulletin says: "The weather has been favorable for rye, meadows, pastures and field work, but too cold for much growth of other vegetation and for the germination of corn and oats. The cold, wet ground has rotted some corn and necessitated considerable replanting, some correspondents saying that a second replanting has been necessary in some of the southern counties. Outside of rye, meadows and pastures, nearly all vegetation has been at a standstill. The condition of rye, meadows and pastures is generally very fine; pastures provide ample fodder and meadows promise a splendid hay crop. The continued cold, wet weather which delayed oat seeding so much has decided many farmers not to sow as much oats as was originally intended. Fruit has not been injured to any general or considerable extent by the frosts, and is now in blossom as far north as the upper peninsula.

Chicago Chronicle: It is customary in some States for the members of the Legislature, when the hour to adjourn sine die arrives, to turn themselves into hoodlums and act in the most disorderly manner. It is a common practice, too, for members, otherwise respectable and fairly honest, to appropriate the State's property, carrying away whatever is not nailed down. The wind-up of the Michigan Legislature was distinguished by a most disgraceful orgy, during which a valuable painting of Lafayette was ruined by having books thrown through it, and other property of the State was also damaged. Of course, this affair will never be investigated. Such things never are. The State goes on from year to year replacing inkstands, stationery, waste baskets, law books and other property stolen or destroyed by its legislators, without ever trying to compel the culprits to restore the articles or reimburse the treasury.

Tax title speculators are somewhat elated over the decision of the Supreme Court which was handed down in the case of Joseph S. Hilton vs. Azuba Dumphey. The opinion is by Chief Justice Long and disposed of an important question. The plaintiff brought suit in ejectment, claiming possession of defendant's land by virtue of a tax deed. The deed was issued for an unpaid drain tax, all the other taxes on the property having been paid. The defendant contended that there is no authority in the tax law empowering the county treasurer to bid to the State lands assessed for a drain tax. There was also a question as to whether the sale was a lawful one, but as the defendant did not take advantage of this defect, if one existed, it is held that the question could not be raised in this collateral proceeding. Upon the question that the tax law has no application to the sale of lands for drain taxes the court says: "It is true that these drain matters are not regarded as matters in which the State, county or township has a pecuniary interest, but the drain law provides that such taxes are to be collected 'in the same manner as State and other taxes are collected.' The court was in error in concluding that the judgment should be in favor of the defendant. Under the facts found the judgment should have been found for the plaintiff. Such judgment will be entered here with costs of both courts to the plaintiff."

It is said that a young woman who is under hypnotic control in Mount Clemens "sings in a language she doesn't understand." She may be fitting herself for an operatic career, in which case she will sing in several languages that no one else understands.

At a special meeting of the Ann Arbor Common Council a committee consisting of Mayor Hiscock, City Attorney Kearney and Ald. Cady was appointed to visit Lansing in the interests of a bill authorizing the city of Ann Arbor to bond itself to the amount of $40,000 for street paving.

Anecdote and Incident

The late Professor Jowett had a curious way of commenting on the work that was brought to him by students. On one occasion he was shown a set of Greek verses. After looking them over carefully, he glanced up rather blankly and said to the author: "Have you any taste for mathematics?"

In one of the small New York towns where the residents swap farm products for groceries, a boy was sent to the store by his mother, and this (says the New York Times) is what an astonished outsider heard him say to the store-keeper: "Mister, ma says you're to please give me a egg's worth of mustard. The hen is on."

When Dr. Whewell, master of Trinity College, Cambridge, was a tutor, he once invited a number of his men to a "wine"—as the entertainments of those days used to be called. Noticing a vacant place, he said to his servant, "Why is not Mr. Smith here?" "He is dead, sir," was the reply. "I wish you would tell me when my pupils die!" was the indignant answer.

An Irish conductor on a branch of Boston's West End railroad came into the car one day and called out, "Wan seat on the roight! Sit closer on the roight, an' mek room for the leddy phwat's standing." A big, surly-looking man who was occupying space enough for two said, sullenly, "We can't sit any closer." "Can't yeez?" retorted the little conductor; "begorry, you niver wint coortin', thin." It is needless to add that room was made "on the roight" for the lady.

An amusing story is told of how the late Lord Fitzgerald discomfited a treasury official who was sent over from England to complain of the excessive expenditure for coal in the Lord Chief Justice's court. He received the man, and listened gravely and formally while the latter stated his errand and enlarged upon the importance of economy in the matter of fuel. At the conclusion of the discourse, he rang the bell, and, when the servant appeared, said: "Tell Mary that the man has come about the coals."

Joseph Chamberlain is a young-looking man, though not so youthful as a few years ago, when he was a member of Gladstone's administration. Crossing the Irish Sea one day, when the steamer was overcrowded, he was accompanied by a bearded private secretary. The latter picked an acquaintance with a Scotchman, with whom he discussed the slim possibility of securing berths. "You and I, mon," said the Scotchman, "will occupy the berths, and the wee laddie"—indicating the distinguished statesman—"can just lie himself down on the floor."

The papers are full of tales just now of how the late composer, Brahms, treated pianists and singers who were eager to get his criticism. If one of these aspirants for his favor was fortunate enough to find him at home and be received, Brahm's first concern was to seat himself on the lid of his piano, a position from which he rightly deemed few would have the temerity to oust him. If this failed, he had recourse to the statement that the instrument was out of tune. "Oh, that does not matter," remarked one courageous individual. "Perhaps not to you, but it does to me," replied the master. On one occasion, he was just leaving his house when a long-haired youth, with a bundle of music under his arm, hailed him with: "Can you tell me where Dr. Brahms lives?" "Certainly," answered the master, in the most amiable manner; "in this house, up three flights," and so saying, he hurried away.

Signor Arditi, the musical conductor, whose baldness is well-known, wore a wig only once in his life. It was in New York, and he bore as philosophically as might be the surprise betrayed by the orchestra at his novel appearance. But, while the musicians were tuning up, he began to feel uncomfortable. Presently the door opened and Alboni peeped in. Arditi knew that the prima donna had an ineradicable abhorrence of wigs. "Where is Arditi?" she inquired of one of the company. "Here I am," replied the conductor, rather shamefacedly, stepping forward. She looked at him for a moment, and then burst into laughter. "What, Arditi!" she called; "is it indeed you in that wig? Never, in the world! My good friend, I should never be able to sing with that before me. Here!" With one bound she seized upon the unfortunate wig, dragged it from his head, and threw it to the other side of the room. He did not replace it; and though he always fancied that a wig would become him, he never again wore one.

A Curious Natural Phenomenon.

One of the most curious natural phenomena, and one which has never yet been explained by the philosophers, is that in reference to the expansion of freezing water. The case of water is a singular exception to all natural laws of expansion by heat and contraction by cold which apply in cases of all other known liquids. When water is freezing, it contracts in bulk down to the point where the mercury reaches the reading of 39½ degrees, or 7½ degrees above freezing, from which point it slowly expands according to the intensity of cold. No other liquid is known to possess this remarkable property, except that certain metals expand slightly in passing from a liquid to a solid state. But if heat be applied to water after it has cooled down to a temperature of 39½ degrees—the point where it is ready to begin expanding, should a greater degree of cold be applied—it will immediately expand by the universal law. But should we lower the temperature to 32 degrees it will expand by its own special law. Another curious point to be noted here is this—the amount of expansion is as great in water lowered from 39½ degrees down to 32 degrees as it is in water that has been heated so that the temperature runs from 39½ to 47 degrees. These points are certainly odd and curious and worthy of attention and experiment.

A Philosopher Corrected.

When Benjamin Franklin went to Paris as the representative of the revolted American colonies, he had to be presented to the King, and it was a matter of some solicitude with him how he should array himself for that ceremony.

He was anxious not to be considered lacking in respect for the French court, where much formality regarding dress was observed; but he knew it would be an affectation for so simple a republican as he was to imitate the court dress. He decided, therefore, and wisely, to appear in a plain suit of black velvet, with white silk stockings and black shoes.

Nevertheless, he deemed it best to make one concession to the French fashion of the time by wearing a wig—something which he had not been accustomed to do. He ordered of a wigmaker the largest one the man had, and in season for the presentation the man himself brought the wig and set about trying it on.

But do all he could, the man could not squeeze the wig on the philosopher's head. He tried and tried, and also essayed to convince Franklin, against the evidence of his senses, that the wig was a fit. Finally Franklin said:

"I tell you, man, your wig is not large enough."

Upon this the Frenchman threw the wig down in a rage.

"Monsieur," he said, "that is impossible. It is not the wig which is too small. It is the head which is too large!"

Accepting the rebuke as deserved, Franklin went to the presentation without any wig, and found there that the simplicity of his dress and the honesty and candor of his manners won him more esteem at the court than any concession to fashion could possibly have done.

Life Saved by Hanging.

Charles Peachey, of Marblehead, Mass., who has been discharged from the Salem hospital, is the only man in the world with a mended backbone. The surgeons had to hang him literally by the neck in order to mend it. But they succeeded, and his case is now attracting attention. The patient had been at the hospital since Oct. 24. All that he requires now is time in order to make him as good a man as he was before his back was broken.

The case has been one of great interest from the first. Peachey was picking apples from a tree at the Crowninshield farm, when the limb broke and he fell a distance of twenty feet, striking on his back. Upon examination it was found that his back was broken, and he was sent to the Salem hospital. In order to reduce the fracture it was necessary to resort to unusual methods. It could not be done with the patient lying in bed or in any other ordinary position. It was necessary to hang him by the head and neck.

So suspended in midair, the trunk was tightly bandaged with strips of cotton cloth saturated with plaster of paris. When this dried his form was held and supported firmly. This uncomfortable suit of clothing was not removed until Nov. 15, when it was found that the fractured vertebrae had knit together successfully. The backbone had been broken right on a line with the shoulder blade, and the spinal cord had been lacerated. This injury had also been healed.

The patient is now able to sit up in a chair. He is able to move his head and arms, but has no control of his body below his shoulders yet, owing to the paralysis of the nerves. This, however, will be only temporary.

The Woman Who Wouldn't.

A pretty peasant maiden in one of the suburbs of Kharkoff, Russia, was recently coerced by her relatives into consenting to marry a small proprietor of the neighborhood for whom she entertained a special dislike. The wedding party appeared before the altar of one of the city churches. The service went on until the officiating priest put the usual question, "Wilt thou take this man," and so forth. The girl to this replied with an emphatic negative, and all the persuasions of her friends failed to change her resolution.

The wedding party returned to the house of the bride's parents, who again vainly endeavored to shake the girl's obduracy. The unfortunate and unwilling girl was then soundly beaten, not only by her parents, but also by the friends of the bridegroom. She was carried back weeping to the church by the wedding party, and the marriage ceremony was recommenced. Again came the crucial question to the bride, and once more the unhappy girl, with tears and blushes, resonantly exclaimed, "No! A thousand times, no!" and appealed earnestly to the protection of the priest, which was readily granted.

Japan's Navy.

Japan is going to spend $40,000 in putting twelve young Japenese students through a three years' course of study of naval architecture and marine engineering in England. They will work as gentlemen apprentices with the great shipbuilding firms.

Had No Grudge Against Them.

Uncle Ned—Instead of coming to me why don't you borrow from your friends?

Dick—Why, because they are my friends, uncle.—New York Tribune.

Some worthless people are mighty hard to suit.

THEY HEAR M'KINLEY.

Merchants of Two Continents Listen to the President.

The commercial museums were formally opened at Philadelphia Wednesday by President McKinley, who presided during the attending exercises at the American Academy of Music. He delivered a speech in response to Mayor Warwick's address of welcome, and then at night, in a notable banquet held at the Bourse, which celebrated the tenth anniversary of the Manufacturers' Club of Philadelphia, as well as the opening of the commercial museums, the President delivered an impromptu address.

The ceremonies, which were most impressive and interesting, were given an added importance by the distinguished character of the assemblage. Besides the President and his party, including the members of his cabinet and the foreign ministers, the guests included the delegates attending as representatives of their countries from South America, Central America, Mexico and even more distant points.

The banquet was probably the most notable ever given on this continent. It was notable not only in point of numbers, nearly 1,500 persons participating, but in the distinction of the chief guests. Besides President McKinley there were seated at the table of honor Secretary of Agriculture Wilson, Attorney General McKenna, Congressmen Dingley, Dalzell, Grosvenor, Heatwole and Tawney; the ministers from Mexico, Brazil, Chili, Argentina, Venezuela and other South American governments; the Chinese minister, and a number of other eminent officials from the capital.

The hall in which the dinner was held covers an entire block in area. It was gorgeous with light and color. Ensconced in a compartment formed by walls of flags at one end of the hall was the Marine Band, under Director Fanciulli, which alternated with the Germania Orchestra, stationed at the other end. To avoid undue delay in reaching the toasts, the serving of the banquet was promptly begun.

GOVERNMENT CROP BULLETIN.

Week Generally Cool and Conditions Unfavorable.

The following crop and climate bulletin for the week has been issued from the Chicago office of the weather bureau:

Illinois—Week generally unfavorable, but no material damage by light frosts. Some corn still being planted, also little replanting, but cultivation general, although too cold for good germination and growth. Wheat heading short and much cheat; oats, pastures and meadows generally good; clover cutting this week in southern section. Fruits generally very promising. Strawberries still being marketed in large quantities.

Wisconsin—Week cold and dry, with heavy frosts. Ice formed in central and west counties, but special reports indicate damage to fruit and other crops comparatively slight. Corn planting about completed. Oats, barley and spring wheat fair. Winter rye heading and promising well.

Michigan—Weather favorable for rye, meadows, pastures and field work, but too cold for much growth of other vegetation and germination of corn. Cold, wet ground has rotted some corn, causing considerable replanting, while oats come up slow and look yellow. Several frosts, but damage light. Corn planting nearing completion. Potato planting well started.

Minnesota—Cool weather and deficient rainfall have retarded corn, grass and truck. Early sown wheat stooling well; late sown small grains need rain. Irregular stand of corn caused by defective seed. Hay prospects good. Insects injuring plums and apples. Damage by frosts slight.

Iowa—Week cool and cloudy, with deficient rainfall, except scattering localities. Corn planting practically completed and cultivation general. More replanting necessitated than earlier reports indicated. Conditions more favorable for grass, oats and wheat than for corn.

Indiana—Little rain fell and continued cool weather, with light frost; too cool for corn, which comes up yellow. Wheat, rye, oats and clover continue in promising condition. Meadows promise large hay crops. Tobacco plants are being set out.

Nebraska—Cold weather has caused corn to germinate and grow slowly, but has been favorable for grass, rye, wheat and oats. Rye in bloom. Winter wheat heading. Small grain in southwestern counties suffering from drought. Some damage from frosts in northern counties.

Ohio—Several frosty nights; no special damage. Wheat, oats, rye, pastures, clover, timothy, potatoes and tobacco on drained soil made some progress, but cool, cloudy weather checked proper growth of all vegetation. Corn and tobacco planting continues. Corn slow, some yellowing, many fields to be replanted. Rye heading. Strawberries ripening; some picked. Blackberries blossoming. Tree fruits are dropping badly. Potato bugs plentiful.

ALTGELD IS ACCUSED.

Former Illinois Governor Blamed for Globe Bank Crash.

Startling assertions in regard to former Governor Altgeld are made in the report of the special Senate committee which investigated the misappropriation of the University of Illinois funds by Charles W. Spalding, late of the Globe Savings Bank of Chicago.

The charge is made that Mr. Altgeld was a very large borrower from the bank at the time Spalding became the university treasurer, and that he was a large borrower during his entire term as Governor. When the bank went down Mr. Altgeld, the report charges, was in debt to it, while his Unity Building collateral was worth only 50 cents on the dollar and his Ogden Gas stock collateral had no commercial value.

The declaration is made that the bank was practically insolvent in 1892 and that this must have been known to Mr. Altgeld as well as to Mr. Spalding. Further, it is found that Mr. Altgeld, when elected Governor, was both a stockholder and director in the Globe Bank, and as such should have had knowledge of its precarious condition. Then the report adds, "the committee believes he was acquainted with its condition."

FULTON LOSES THE WOODMEN.

Head Camp at Dubuque Orders Headquarters to Rock Island.

At the national convention of Modern Woodmen in Dubuque, the headquarters were ordered removed from Fulton to Rock Island in sixty days. It was decided to hold the next head camp at Kansas City. Charges of the misappropriation of funds made against the head officers were not considered by the convention. The law prohibiting membership to liquor dealers was so amended as not to affect those in the order before such legislation was enacted.

The first coins really deserving the name of United States coinage were struck off as "pattern pieces" by Benjamin Dudley, at the instigation of Robert Morris, and were laid before Congress in 1783 as specimens of what the coinage should be. They were a "mark" and a "quint," and thus described: The "mark"—obverse, an eye, the center of a glory, thirteen points, cross equidistant, a circle of as many stars. The "quint" is similar in design, the value on reverse being noted.

STRUNG UP BY A MOB.

NEGRO LYNCHED BY FRENZIED PEOPLE OF URBANA, O.

Mob's First Attempt Was Met by Deadly Volleys of Rifle Bullets—Authorities Didn't Interfere with the Second Attack.

Night of Awful Sensations.

"Glick" Mitchell, the Urbana, O., negro brute, has paid the penalty of his foul crime with his life. An outraged people took the law into their own hands and meted out to him the punishment he so richly deserved and obeyed the command and wish of his prostrate and, as announced, dying victim. He was hanged to a tree in the court yard Friday in broad daylight, after a night of horror and tragedy.

Recently Mrs. Eliza Gaumer, the widow of the late publisher of the Urbana Democrat, was criminally assaulted by Chas. Mitchell, alias "Glick" Mitchell, a notorious negro, who was arraigned Wednesday, but his victim was too ill to appear in court. The man was taken to her home for identification. As he entered the door she raised herself on her elbow and exclaimed: "The brute! Hang him! How dare you face me, you brute!" In default of $1,000 bail Mitchell was locked up in the city prison, but on account of the feeling was removed to the county jail the same night for safe keeping.

From the time of his arrest threats of lynching were made, and Sheriff McLean took all precautions to prevent it, securing from the Governor the services of two companies of militia. His indictment by the grand jury, his plea of guilty and the sentence were all recorded within four hours Thursday evening. His sentence was to twenty years' imprisonment, and he was to have been taken from the Urbana jail Friday to begin the term.

Thursday night the jail was surrounded by a threatening mob. News of the intended attack on the prisoner reached the officers of the court in the afternoon, and they called on the Governor for militia to protect Mitchell. The local company was ordered out, and took up lodgings under arms in the jail. At 2:30 o'clock Friday morning a mob attacked the jail with sledge hammers. The militiamen fired into the crowd, killing and wounding many of the attacking party and repelling the assault.

At 7:10 o'clock in the morning a company of militiamen arrived from Springfield, O. The crowd, already enraged at the authorities, rallied for another attack on the jail. This time the authorities made no resistance. None of the men in charge had the nerve to order another volley turned into the bodies of his townsmen. The negro was hustled out of his cell and hanged to the nearest tree in the presence of a howling mob of 2,000 persons, over 500 of whom were women. The feeling is intense against the sheriff for allowing the National Guards to fire on the people, and there is a very general approval of the work of the mob.

IS PATRIOTISM DYING?

Sporting Events Crowd Out Memorial Services.

Judging from the newspaper reports and other appearances Decoration Day has lost its character and significance in New York, writes William E. Curtis to the Chicago Record, when telling of the observance of last Memorial Day. It is no longer an event to revive patriotism and stir the memories, but is almost wholly given up to athletic exhibitions and sports. The old battle flags are honored, the Stars and Stripes float from every public building and from the windows and roofs of many residences, and the Grand Army posts still march with limping steps to the cemeteries, but the great mass of the people do not give a moment's thought to their debt to the dead. There were ceremonies at the tomb of Gen. Grant, at Greenwood, and at other silent camping grounds, where, as an old veteran remarked, his comrades had been put to bed with a spade, but the participants were mostly the survivors of the war and the widows and orphans of its dead. The people at the cemeteries numbered hundreds, while over 30,000 saw Howard Mann win the Brooklyn handicap; 24,000 saw a baseball game between the New York and Pittsburg teams; a similar crowd witnessed a boat race on the Harlem river, and every branch of outdoor sport had some special attraction to celebrate the holiday.

Newspapers are a fair index of public interest on these subjects. They give a page to sporting intelligence and a column to the ceremonies of Decoration Day. In one paper I counted twenty-four columns filled with sports and four columns to the soldiers' monuments and cemeteries. It is a serious question whether the historic significance of the holiday is to be lost, and whether the public mind is becoming so absorbed with athletics, games and turf gambling that it cannot devote one day in the year to the expression and cultivation of patriotism.

Current Comment

This seems to be an admirable decade for private secretaries.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

The latest diagnosis is that the Sick Man of Europe has got the grip.—Boston Herald.

Perhaps Russell Sage is just working up a good big inheritance tax joke on somebody.—Cleveland Leader.

Perhaps if the powers would guarantee the balance, Col. Hamid can be induced to take Greece on account.—Elmira Telegram.

When the United States decides upon a Cuban policy, there will be no trouble about maintaining the "concert."—Columbus Dispatch.

Miners in Pennsylvania are said to have blown up a "company store." The company store should go, but this is not the way in which to abolish it.—Buffalo Express.

Emperor William says to his subjects: "I am the vine; we are the branches." Down in his heart, however, he believes that he is the whole vineyard.—Cleveland Leader.

No consensus has been reached among those who are explaining McKinley's Cuban policy. It might be well to let the President speak for himself.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

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THE MIDDLEVILLE SUN

THURSDAY, JUNE 10, 1897.

Coming Events.

W. C. T. U. will meet with Mrs. M. M. Pinney Wednesday p. m., June 16.

The prairie Sunday school will celebrate Children's Day, Sunday, June 20.

Everyone is invited to attend the Yankee Springs annual school picnic at Briggs' woods, Bowen's Mills, Friday, June 11th.

Gaines township will hold a Sunday school convention at the Second U. B church next Sunday. County Vice President O. C. Flanigan of Grand Rapids, will deliver the address

Baptist church, Walter A. Biss, pastor. Services 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school at the close of morning service. Junior B. Y. P. U., 3:30 p. m. Senior B. Y. P. U., 6:30 p m. Prayer meeting, Thursday, 7:30 p. m.

Reading club will meet with Mrs. French Wednesday afternoon, June 16. Current events, Mrs. French; review of Bitter Sweet, Mrs. Dietrich; spelling, Mrs. Dietrich; questions, Mrs. Johnson; critic, Mrs. M. S. Keeler; quotations, Holland.

The Barlow lake Spiritual society will hold a meeting in Briggs' grove, Bowens Mills, June 26 and 27. The society has made arrangements with the noted trumpet medium, A. A. Finney to be present and hold seances. Refreshments will be served on the grounds. All are invited to be present The following is the program: June 26, opening lecture 10:30 a. m., by Mrs. Nellie Padgham of Allegan; 2 p. m. lecture, Dr. C. A. Andrews of Grand Rapids June 27, 10:30 a. m., lecture by Mrs. Nellie Padgham; 2 p. m. lecture by Dr. C. A. Andrews.

Congregational church, H. Appleton, pastor. Services 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Subject for morning, "The Duel of Faith and Force." Evening, Children's Day concert. Sabbath school at close of morning service. Junior C. E., 4 p. m. Subject, "What Good Comes from Reading the Bible?" Y. P. S. C. E., 6:30 p. m. Subject, "The Best Way to Study the Bible." Teachers' meeting, Monday, 7:30 p. m. Prayer meeting, Thursday, 7:30 p. m. A most cordial welcome to all.

CHILDREN'S DAY PROGRAM.

The following program will be rendered at the Congregational church Sunday evening, June 13:

Organ Voluntary.....Mrs. A. M. Gardner
Song.....Sunday School
Prayer.....Pastor
Recitation.....Mamie Mattason
Recitation.....Dacebell Appleton
Song.....Bailey Sisters
Recitation.....George Armstrong
Song.....Class of Boys
Recitation.....Clare Mattason
Selection.....Male Quartette
Exercise.....Miss Southwick's Class
Recitation.....Glenn Blake
Instrumental Duett.....
.....Messrs. Peeps and Abbott
Dialogue.....Raymond and Louie Barrell
Vocal Duett.....
....Miss M. Olmstead, Mr. H. A. Saunders
Recitation.....Annabell Campbell
Recitation.....Miss Vera Cobb
Song.....School
Song.....Five Girls
Recitation.....Ross Armstrong
Recitation.....Scott Campbell
Chorus.....Young Ladies and Gentlemen
Recitation.....Norma Blaksley
Instrumental Duett.....
.....Messrs. Peeps and Abbott
Recitation.....Gracie Dowling
Song.....Daisy Dibble
Selection.....Mary Pratt
Recitation.....Bessie Richards
Collection.....
Selection.....Male Quartett
Benediction.....

The following program will be rendered at the M. E. church Sunday evening, June 13. A most cordial invitation is extended to all.

Organ Voluntary.....Miss Stella Webb
Singing.....Infant Class
Responsive Scripture Reading.....
.....led by C. N. Webb
Prayer.....Rev. J. C. Dorris
Singing.....Quartette
Introductory Address.....Effie Farnum
Dialogue.....Maud
Holcomb, Ralph Morgan, Stella McNee
Recitation.....Belle Corson
Duet.....Misses Myrtle and Edith Rogers
Recitation.....Lillie Dickens
Recitation.....Miner Benaway
Recitation.....Gurnie Cisler
Recitation.....Bertha Weightman
Motion Song.....Five Girls
Recitation.....Orley Wood
Recitation.....Gladys Rouse
Singing.....School
Recitation.....Gleana Clever
Recitation.....Bertha VanAtten
Duet.....Mrs. C. N. and Miss Stella Webb
The Young People's Republic..Young People
Collection.....
Singing.....School
Benediction.....Pastor

Children's Day program at the Baptist church Sunday evening, June 13:

Voluntary.....Miss Pumphrey
Song—"Glad Children's Day".....School
Responsive Reading.....Supt. and School
Prayer.....Pastor
Anthem.....Choir
Welcome.....Clyde Hacker
Recitation.....Walter Biss
Recitation.....Clara Zimmer
Recitation.....Isaac Keeler
"Children's Day Carol".....School
Recitation.....Genevieve Biss
Recitation.....Marguerite Caldwell
"A Children's Sermon"..Mrs. England's Class
Recitation.....Frank Zimmer
Recitation.....Willie McConnell
Recitation.....Myrtle Teadt
Recitation.....Maude Boorn
Class Exercise.....Miss Clever's Class
Recitation.....Ralph Haight
Recitation.....Herma McConnell
Recitation.....Ray Newman
Music.....Choir
"Bible Echoes".....M. S. Keeler's Class
Reading.....Maude Wyman
Dialogue.....Katie Stevens, Charlie Biss
Recitation.....Alice Zimmer
Remarks.....Pastor
Offering.....Congregation
Closing Song.....
Benediction.....

Following is the program for Children's Day at the Gates school house, Sunday, June 13, at 3 p. m.:

Organ Voluntary.....Vera P. Cobb
Singing.....School
Scripture Reading and Prayer.....
Singing.....Choir
Reading.....Supt. Jesse W. Cobb
Singing.....School
Reading.....Mirtle Church
Recitation.....Willie Miller
Sole.....M. S. Johnson
Recitation.....Glen Culver
Recitation.....Gurnie Keiser
Song.....Choir
Recitation.....Lee Church
Recitation.....Elmer Andler
Song.....School
Recitation.....Mamie Tabor
Recitation.....Charley Andler
Song.....Choir
Recitation.....Gladys Rouse
Violin Solo.....Vera P. Cobb
Recitation.....Waldo Church
Recitation.....Grace Keiser
Address.....Rev. H. Appleton
Song.....School

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Society's Doings.

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At 8 o'clock the guests began to arrive and were received by Master Wycliffe Clark and farther waited upon by little Isaac Keeler. Mr. and Mrs. Keeler, assisted by Miss Edith Clark received their friends in the front parlor. The rooms were handsomely decorated with fern, roses and carnations. About seventy guests were present and the gay and rich costumes with the pretty decorations afforded a pleasing scene under the brilliant gas light. At 10 o'clock the company was enlivened with dancing to the sweet strains of Wurzburg's orchestra of Grand Rapids. The spacious veranda was enclosed and lighted with gas and Japanese lanterns, and afforded room for five sets to dance at one time, the musicians, six in number, occupying the reception hall. Refreshments were served from small tables in the dining-room from half past eight till all were served, rosebuds being the table decorations. Delicious lemonade was served during the evening, presided over by Master Wycliffe Clark.

Those present will long remember this delightful evening and pronounce Mr. and Mrs. Keeler adepts in social entertaining.

About forty of the friends of George Bassett perpetrated a surprise on him Wednesday night. The party met at H. B. Andrus' and went in a body to Mr. Bassett's home on Queen street taking him completely by surprise. The evening was pleasantly spent in games, conversation and refreshments. The board of education, as well as the people in general, fully appreciate Mr. Bassett's services in our schools and realize that he has proven himself a thorough and painstaking instructor. From a social standpoint, Mr. and Mrs. Bassett have endeared themselves to the entire community, and all unite in wishing them success.—Nashville News

The Jackson brothers and sisters with families of the west county line happily surprised their sister, Mrs. Chas. Winks of Lowell, on her 29th wedding anniversary. A very pleasant day was enjoyed by all and two beautiful chairs were left as a token of love to remind them of their anniversary, with wishes that many more might follow.

Members of the graduating class were nicely entertained Wednesday evening by Grace Hills, a member of the class, at her home in Irving. The young ladies remained over night.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Name and Residence.	Age.
William Leinaar, Orangeville; Mary Cappon, same	24—21
Henry E. Birdsall, Hastings twp.; Olla W. Johnson, same	29—26
John F. Miller, Farmington, Ohio; Ida May Johnson, Hastings	56—41
Albert J. Jones, Otsego; Nellie F. Weber, Nashville	29—18

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COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

Special meeting of the common council of the village of Middleville held May 31, 1897.

Pursuant to order the common council of the village of Middleville met at their room in said village Monday, May 31, and was called to order by the president at 7 p. m. Upon roll-call the following members were found to be present: President R. T. French, Trustees McConnell, Tewksbury, Bristow, Dietrich; absent, Hodge, Whitmore.

The following bills of account were read and upon motion of Trustee Bristow were allowed and orders drawn, by the following vote: yeas, Trustees McConnell, Tewksbury, Bristow, Dietrich; nay, none; absent, two.

J. R. Cook, coal	$ 3 92
John Kechele, drawing engine	2 00
Elmer Annison, " "	2 00
R. B. Green, labor on street	5 00
Marvin Cisler, " "	18 90
Sam'l Coats, " "	1 00
Jas. Morgan, " "	4 65
Allie Pender, " "	2 25
Jas. Coleman, " "	50
Chester Cisler, 41 loads gravel	1 64
R. B. Green, labor on street	4 00
Frank Andrus, " "	3 00
Sam'l Carlisle, " "	9 75
Marvin Cisler, " "	6 75
Elmer Aubil, " "	7 75
Chas. Annison, " "	6 75
Elmer Aubil, " "	10 68
Allie Pender, " "	11 25
Oscar Brightral " "	5 00
Sam'l Coats, " "	5 00
Sam'l Carlisle, " "	3 75
Elmer Aubil, " "	11 25
Chas. Annison, " "	11 25
Oscar Brightral " "	1 00
Elmer Annisor, " "	2 50
Chas. Annison jr " "	4 00
Allie Pender, " "	6 75
Sam'l Coats, " "	5 00
Chas. Annison jr " "	1 00
Marvin Cisler, " "	10 85
" " "	5 50
John Dickens, " "	3 00
Wm. " "	4 00
R. B. Green, " "	1 00
M. Johnson, gravel and use of wagon	34 42
Marvin Cisler, work on street	5 40
Walter Foster, " "	16 00
Geo. Sanford, making sewer box	50
Ward Whittemore, labor on street	1 68
M. A. Dietrich, service on board of rev.	8 00
Swen Abrams, labor on street	10 00
W. H. Severance, supplies	18 89
M. Rosenberg & Co., "	21 37
J. D. Dietrich, labor and supplies	4 99

Moved and supported that council adjourn—carried.

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Butter (dairy)		8
Eggs		8
Wool (fine unwashed)	5	10
Wool (coarse or medium)	10	14
Wool (washed)	12	18
Potatoes	10	12
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Hogs (dressed)		4 00
Hogs (live)	2 75	3 00
Lard		6
Tallow		2½
Hides	4	5
Pelts	15	30
Hay (timothy)	6 00	7 00
Hay (clover)		5 00
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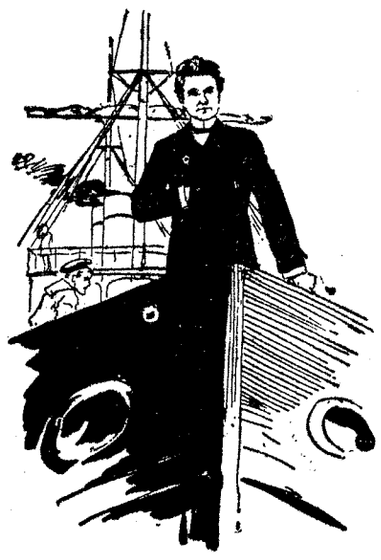

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