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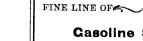
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CALEDONIA CULLINGS.

Mrs. C. H. Kinsey and daughter cade, left Tuesday for Petoskey, where they go to visit friends and relatives. Vernia and Mabel Myers and Lizzie Brower were guests of Meda and Maggie Bergy of Alto over Sunday.

Mrs. John Kinsey and daughter Blanche of Muskegon, are visiting at Caledonia.

Miss Dora Schroeder was in Grand Rapids over Sunday.

Will Finkbeiner and "Rasty" Wright attended the colored camp-meeting at Freeport Sunday. Dan Malcomb is in Grand Rapids.

Dr. Graybiel goes to Hastings Wednesday, to assist in an operation with Drs. Young and Lowry. Mrs. D. Kinsey, Mrs Jennie Doyle

and son, D. O., were visiting at Lake Odessa over Sunday. George Calkins of Grand Rapids vis-

ited his little daughter, Miss Genevieve, over Sunday. The Union Rifles, local company of

the U. B. B. of A., expect to attend the military tournament at Freeport Aug. 6. Jennie Doyle attended the wedding

reception at Hastings Wednesday night given by Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Cole in honor of the marriage of her brother, Chas. E. Doyle to Miss Delia Coutchie of Muskegon.

DUNCAN LAKE.

July 20-Most of the farmers in this vicinity have their wheat crop secured, which is a good one.

Fred Andler and wife visited at Fred Schad's in Leighton, Sunday. Miss Kate Andler, who has been sick

so long at the home of her brother. Fred, is improving quite rapidly. The young people of the Shiloh S. S. met at the home of Mr. Martin in Cale-

donia to practice singing Sunday p. m. Frank Damoth and family are moving into the house recently occupied by Mr. Ganwell at Pike's mill.

Mr. Isaac Bechtel from Grand Rapids Sundayed with Dilman Benjamin and Frank Shuck and wife from Salem

visited friends at this place Saturday Ed Converse and wife have moved

into Mrs. Miller's house near Parmelee. George Howe and family spent Sunday at Myron Kilmer's. Chas. Pike and his aunt, Mrs. Skin-

ner, were in Grand Rapide on business one day last week.

Quite a number were fishing on the lake yesterday, result unknown. .

The sound of the threshing whistle berries at the roadside to eat. As Mrs. now awakens us from our reverie.

their weekly pilgrimage to Caledonia dress in such a manner as to draw her every Tuesday evening to the band under the wheel, it passing over her our streets Sunday p. m. Among them practice.

town are fishing on the lake this p. m.

EAST CALEDONIA.

Berry picking is the order of the day. Miss Ina Strait spent Saturday and Sunday with John Watts and family of Bowne.

LaVerne Warner was in the Valley City Sunday. Mrs. Lottie Edgecomb and grandson

Miss Clara Brown. Miss Nina Streeter of Grand Rapids, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. L. C. Rath-

bun and other relatives. D. H. McWhinney and son, Blaine, were the guests of Joe Hughes and

family Sunday. Mrs. D. W. Dutcher is on the sick list.

There will be an entertainment at this place in the near future. Look for further notice later.

IRVING INKLINGS.

C. E. next Sunday evening. Let there friends. be a good attendance.

and evening. Mr. and Mrs. Chet Benedict expect to soon commence house-keeping in

Middleville where the former has a position as barber. The surprise given Mr. S. Kennedy in honor of his 50th birthday was enjoyed by all present as also by Mr. Ken-

The Dorcas society in connection with the Cong. church, will be entertained by Mrs. J. J. Hendershot and daughter and a good attendance is expected.

nedy and family.

H. C. Strong has employed Mr. Hartel of Vermontville, as head miller and Rhea and Mrs. Chas. Lawyer of Cas- the work of putting the mill in shape to make first-class flour is fast going on.

The new machines are expected every

day as they were shipped last Friday

and everything will be ready in as

short a time as possible. Miss Abbie McCann is assisting Mrs. Strong to get settled in their new home.

Mr. Chas. Johnson joined his wife and children who have been at the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Avery, the past few weeks, last Tuesday eve. They expect to make their home here on account of Mrs. Johnson's health.

NORTH ORANGEVILLE.

Dr. C. M. Cook, the painless teeth extractor of Grand Rapids, was in our vicinity last week. Flo Powers is visiting friends in Mar-

Josh Cappon is the first one in this

neighborhood to finish harvesting. Mrs. Dr. Herrick is occupying her

cottage at Gun lake. John Tinker is assisting Ed O'Conor with his harvesting. Ed O'Conor clipped an excellent crop

of hay this season. Jay Tidd is helping Ed Silcox. Harry Clem is working for J. L.

The "quick" rain of Friday last hustled a great many from the harvest

The writer was not present at the ice-cream social at the Oak Grove, but report says a fair crowd, lots of fun and good ice-cream.

NORTH IRVING.

July 20-A nearly new silk umbrella was lost between North Irving church and Hastings. Will the finder please leave umbrella at Hastings Journal of-

Mrs. Clara Cook and daughter of Middleville have been visiting friends here the past few days. Mrs. Ann Fuller, daughter and child

of Hastings have been visiting rela-Miss Teeple of near Freeport and sister of Ohio were callers at J. Trego's,

the first of the week. Mrs. Leese and daughter of Washngton were rusticating here recently. Mr. Smith and his many pickers have been kept busy these days taking

care of his immense berry crop. Mrs Walker and son, Lewis, were in

Hastings, Sunday. As Mrs. Hutchinson and son, Milroy, and daughter, Mrs. Runyan and little boy were returning home from the Aid Thursday they thought to pick a few Runyan reached for her little boy, the Allan Bechtel and Iva Adam make horse started and the wheel caught her arm and hurting her side quite badly Artie Roach and pardner from your but not seriously. Quite a scare for a

few minutes. Mr. and Mrs. Lamoreaux of the Rapids visited friends here Sunday. Mrs. Rose Trego, daughter and son were welcome callers here Sunday.

ORANGEVILLE OUTINGS.

For your ice-cream Saturday evenings, go to the lawn of Mr. Henry's, where the Woman's Missionary society of Grand Rapids, is visiting her niece, will serve same as long as the weather cluster so many memories of other is favorable.

mazoo Monday.

C. Allen Morse of your town placed an iron roof on Mrs. Reattie's new porch Monday.

Our miller tells us that be floured the first grist of new wheat for Mr. it. Everhart Tuesday. The Baptist church has extended a

call to Rev. Armstrong of Battle Creek. Eddie Brown one of Kalamazoo's business men, is in town today (Wednes-Rev. Appleton will lead the Y. P. S. | day), shaking hands with his old time

Evangelist Berry will hold meetings The young people of the League will at the Baptist church Thursday aftersell ice-cream next Saturday afternoon noon and evening, July 29th, and camp meeting at Lindsey's grove at Pine lake, Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. McLeod and family of

Plainwell, spent Sunday at Wm. Beat-Mr. Cook of Yankee Springs, was

seen on our streets the first of the week. Miss H. Bell is no better at this. writing. Mrs. M. Cole is attending her.

A number of Eli Nichols' old friends and neighbors, met at his home Sun-Blanche at their home next Friday day evening to witness the blooming of afternoon. The invitation is general a night-blooming-cereus. It was worth

PARMELEE PICKINGS.

The people of Parmelee are all enjoying a good degree of health and they appear to be thankful for once that it is as well with them as it is.

The most of the wheat and rye is gathered either in the barn or stack and the Schroder threshing machine of Caledonia is doing its best today on the farm of Philo Cline. Those who were prostrated with the

excessive heat of last week have fully recovered and are no worse for the ex-The Oscar White letter in your issue

of last week was read with interest by his many friends in Parmelee.

Wallie Watson was in Grand Rapids Saturday on business.

The cherry and raspberry crop is better than usual. Our supervisor has an immense crop of both and is pretty busy these days-for him. E. R. Skiff is enjoying himself occa-

sionally on the Thornapple. He has recently purchased a fine boat and between times is doing some fishing on It is rumored that Charley Parmelee

will look after the Simmons farm while Henry and wife will visit with friends in Canada. Among our first-class stackers we

mention the names of Swen Abram and Thomas Tungate. We know them by their works. Willis Wood has a fine field of bar-

ley on the corner of his farm near the

M. E. church. Mr. Nelson Van Every spent Sunday in Parmelee with Rob't Allen's people. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hinkley, who have been residents of this vicinity for two years, are making preparations to move to Howard City. Their many friends here will regret their leaving

and they will be greatly missed by all. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Noble have been entertaining company from Kalamazoo during the past week.

Mrs. Calvin Beach, who has been greatly afflicted of late with inflamed eyes, has found relief at last in the treatment of Dr. Lowry of Hastings.

There are attractions somewhere here for Robbie Garrett of the prairie, at least he is frequently seen in Parmelee with no visible business in view aside from pleasure. Lillie Scoville of your village has

been enjoying herself for some little time visiting with her friend and schoolmate, Miss Gracie Skiff. Since the constable on Windmill st. recovered from a sunstroke which overtook him last Friday, he has been

shocking his wheat east and west con-

trary to all former rules. Maybe he

got half turned around while undergoing his affliction. Marcus Coykendall (the veterinary) is treating Newell Williams' Hambletonian roadster and on his return home Sunday afternoon made some friendly

calls in Parmelee. Pleasure seekers were numerous on

we noticed several from your village.

new residence last week.

PRAIRIEVILLE POINTS. From the Press. M. M. Chase placed a furnace in his

Walter Warner, the seven-year-old son of Leroy Warner, has ridden the mower to cut 50 acres of grass for his father this season. The Hotel Peninsula, so well known,

so much talked about, around which days, is now owned by Dr. McLeay. Mr. W. L. Johnson sat in council How soon Dr. McLeay will demolish with the First Baptist church of Kala- these time-honored walls, we cannot say, but this we know that its time is short, and these gray haired village fathers who saw it in its youth, frequented its thronged rooms in their prime, will soon have but a memory of

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BRUTE IS LYNCHED FROM THE COURT-ROOM.

Had Murdered, Then Cremated a Defenseless Woman and Her Babe-Butter to Enter the Legal Lists Against Butterine.

Quicker than the Court.

A Montgomery, Ala., special says Thursday Mai, Terrell, a negro, assaulted Mrs. Martin Thomas, a white woman living in the country five miles from Elba, Ala. She was alone in the house with her 6-months-old baby. After the assault the woman was struck in the head and thrown on the bed beside her sleeping infant. Fagots of pine wood were then placed upon her by the brute and set on fire. The flames attracted some passers-by and they rescued the woman in time to get her dying statement. The baby was roasted. Terrell was arrested and was being given a preliminary trial when a mob broke up the court and took him out and hanged him.

FIGHT BUTTERINE LAW.

Manufacturers Declare It Is Unconstitutional and Mean to Test It.

Chicago butterine manufacturers have banded together to test the constitutionality of the anti-butterine color law. They will resume manufacturing and coloring it in defiance of the Illinois statute. "Butter vs. Butterine" will be the title of a bitterly contested lawsuit, which will ultimately be carried to the United States Supreme Court for final adjudication. According to Charles Y. Knight, secre tary of the Illinois Dairy Union, war-rants will be sworn out for the arrest of the dealers and manufacturers of colored butterine who have violated the anti-color law passed by the last Legislature. The manufacturers will welcome the chance to test the validity of the act, and are confident of establishing its unconstitu-tionality. They have decided to fight the case to the bitter end, and are in nowise dismayed by the fact that the Supreme Court has once passed on a similar law and declared it constitutional. New points will be raised in the prospective litigation, and a different result is expected. Such lawsuits move slowly and it is probable it will be a year or more before the dis-puted point is settled. Meantime, the firms will continue to make butterine and color it yellow, and that is why the dairymen are so stirred up about the matter They are confident the law they labored so hard to pass is impregnable, and have engaged able attorneys to look after their interests. Defense money is pouring in from the 3,400 creameries in the West (including the 600 in Illinois), and they are prepared for a long tussle. The manufacturers also have plenty of funds, and the consequence is there will be a battle of legal giants. If the dairy union is vindictive enough it can imprison the violators of the new butterine law. The claim of unconstitutionality is based upon several points. One is that butter is colored by the same process as butterine, and what is lawful for one is lawful for an-A second point is that the law is special legislation, in the interest of one industry and against another. A third point is that the bill was passed after midnight-the hour for adjournment of the Legislature—and that the clerk on the third reading did not read from the original bill, but from a copy. This last allegation is undoubtedly true, as the original bill was stolen from the engrossing clerk's

HERE ARE THE FIGURES.

Exact Number of Endeavorers Who Went to

'Frisco. At length it is possible to state with a close approach to exactitude how many delegates attended the Christian Endea-vor convention in San Francisco. The registration committee has made a report by States and counties of the number of people registered. The total number of people from other States, territories and foreign countries in attendance is 11,224. From California the registration is 12,-694, making a total of 23,918. Outside of California, the biggest delegation was from Illinois, the State sending 1,083, Iowa being next, Pennsylvania third, followed by Ohio, New York, Missouri and Massachusetts in the order named. It is interesting to note that the women from all places outside of the State were almost twice as numerous as the men the figures being: Women, 7,477; men, 3,747.

Race for the Pennant.

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

	L. W.	
	20 Pittsburg31	
Cincinnati43	21 Brooklyn31	37
Baltimore43	22 Chicago30	40
New York39	27 Louisville28	39
Cleveland37	30 Washington .26	39
Philadelphia .34	38 St. Louis 14	54

The showing of the members of the Western League is summarized below: W. L. W. I

Indianapolis .48	23 Detroit36	39
	27 Gr'd Rapids. 25	
	25 Minneapolis .25	
	29 Kansas City.21	

Chicagoan Easily Wins.

At Henley-on-Thames, Dr. W. S. Mc-Dowell, the Chicago oarsman, won the fifth trial heat for the Diamond sculls from T. J. Hogan, New Ross Boat Club. Ireland, with ridiculous ease. It was a great triumph for the American. His time was 9 minutes 33 seconds. It could have been faster had the sturdy and bronzed representative of the Delaware Boat Club of Chicago not slowed up to smile upon his defeated rival.

Young People's Union.

The seventh international convention of the Baptist Young People's Union of America began in Chattanooga, Tenn. with about 4,000 delegates, and some of the most prominent Baptist leaders in the country are present.

Dynamite Bombs in Spain.

Two dynamite bombs were exploded at Guadalajara, capital of the province of that name in New Castile, Spain, Several persons were killed and others seriously injured.

GALE HITS THE LAKE.

wenty-five Chicago Passengers on Little Excursion Steamer Macatawa in a Panic. Out of a sky that was reasonably clear t sunset an unpredicted storm of wind and rain came suddenly at 8:30 o'clock and gave Chicago people afloat and ashore some damp and thrilling experiences. The excursion steamer Macatawa was caught in a squall and between the extinction of the lights by a great roller which washed aboard and the buffeting of the boat by the waves the twenty-five passengers were frightened into a panic. There were twenty-five passengers aboard—ten of them women and they all joined in piercing cries for help. Capt. Oliver Landreth, who as soon as he saw the danger began making preparations to run out of it, was compelled to turn his attention to the affrighted passengers. Some were prepar-ing to jump into the sea. The craft car-ried a deck crew of seven all told, some

of them acting as waiters as well as deck hands. They hearkened to the commands of Capt. Landreth and kept their senses. A fireman or two came up from the boilerroom and joined the Cantain's force. They eized men and dragged them into the cabins, where they dropped them uncere-moniously in safe places. Women who fainted were picked up and taken inside. where in the increased darkness they were left to revive as best they could, while the crew returned to round up the other passengers, who were scampering about the deck like a lot of stampeded sheep. Then the Captain turned his attention to saving his boat, and made the run to South Chicago safely.

LAKE OF OIL IS FOUND.

Gold Prospectors in Alaska Make a Wonder

ful Discovery. What is said to be the greatest discovery ever made is reported from Alaska. Some gold prospectors several months ago ran across what seemed to be a lake of oil. The lake was fed by innumerable springs and the surrounding mountains were full of coal. They brought samples to Seattle and tests proved it to be of as high grade as any ever taken out of Pennsylvania wells. A company was formed and experts sent up. They have returned on the steamer Topeka and their reporhas more than borne out first reports. is said there is enough oil and coal in the discovery to supply the world. It is close to the ocean, in fact the experts say that the oil cozes out into the salt water. It is said that the Standard Oil Company has already made an offer for the property. The owners have filed on 8,000 acres nd are naturally very much excited over their prospects for fortune.

TORNADO STRIKES PADUCAH, KY.

Destructive Wind Sweeps Through Several

A week of terrific heat culminated Friday afternoon in a tornado which swept over West Kentucky and Southern Illi-At Paducah the destruction was confined to the downtown section. fourth and fifth floors of the Three Rivers mill, the largest flour mill in the State, were blown away. Metropolis and Brooklyn, in Illinois; Mayfield, Eddyville and Kuttawa, in Kentucky, and Paris, Tenn., suffered severely.

Babes Were Saved. Spurred on by the appeals of two mothers to save their babies from fire at 587 Sangamon street, Chicago. Sunday, Philip Kastel and James Gavin rushed into the burning building and at the risk of their lives accomplished the dangerous task. Mrs. Greenbaum, who occupies the basement of the three-story structure, had left her 3-year-old boy asleep in his grandmother's bedroom on the third floor. After the flames had gained much headway she remembered this fact and at the same time Mrs. Freidman, who lives on the second floor, in the rear, appeared, crying for someone to save her 10-months old infant. Kastel and Gavin hurried to the top floor to the rescue of the Greenbaum boy. The stairs by which they as ended burned and Gavin was forced to rop from the third-story window with the child, who had been overcome by smoke, in his arms. The baby was unhurt, and its rescuer suffered only a sprained ankle and slight burns. On the way up Gavin stumbled over the body of aged Mrs. Anna Cohn, whom he suffi-ciently revived by removing her to where she could get fresh aid to enable her to get down the stairs in time. In the meanthe furniture in the building. They had thrown much of it out the windows when Mrs. Freidman called to them to save her It was found near an oil stove which had just caught fire, and was res-

Way to Shake a Wife. Nicholas C. Creede, the millionaire mine owner, after whom the town of Creede. Colo., is named, committed suicide with morphine at his home in Los Angeles Cal., because his wife, from whom he had separated, insisted upon renewing their marriage relations. On Jan. 4 last Creede and his wife separated and agreed to dis-solve at once, as far as possible without legal process, their marital bonds. Mrs. Creede accepted \$20,000 cash and surrendered all further claims upon her hus-band, at the same time voluntarily withdrawing from his premises. It was understood, after the necessary time had elapsed, Creede would institute legal proeedings and begin suit for absolute di vorce. At that time it appeared that both usband and wife were well satisfied that they were not required to maintain inti-mate relations, and while Mrs. Creede considered that the amount of cash settled upon her was insignificant as compared with her husband's wealth, she left him and took up her home in Alabama About three weeks ago Mrs. Creede re turned to Los Angeles and proposed to her husband a reconciliation. This was much to Creede's distaste, and he endeavavoid his wife, but being unsuc ressful, he determined to end his life. He took a large dose of morphine and wen into the garden to die. He was discovered by a servant and medical aid was summoned, but he died two hours later.

Chicago Millionaire Dies.

Columbus R. Cummings, and of the most prominent capitalists of Chicago, died at his residence, 1641 Indiana avenue, at 9 o'clock Monday evening, after a lingering illness, which had incapacitated him for business for many years. Mr. Cummings was prominent in gas, banking and railroad circles. He was one of the builders of the "Nickel Plate" Road, and leaves an estate estimated at \$10,000,000.

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Agricultural Department Gives Some Important Data-Reservoir in the Fishkill Mountains Lets Go and Carries Death in Its Rushing Waters

Japs May Want Wheat

Some important data as to the possibility of the material extension of the foreign markets for our cereals is given in a report of the Agricultural Department on "United States Wheat for Eastern Asia." Owing to the rapid recent development of new wheat producing areas in other parts of the world and the increasing competition the United States is compelled to meet in European markets the future disposal of our surplus wheat has become an important question. It has been suggested that the changes now taking place in the civilizations of Japan and China may result in the opening there of markets for our wheat that will to some extent compensate us for losses that may be incurred through the increasing competition of other countries in the European markets that this country formerly was able to control. The report says that chief among the conditions of the plausibility of the suggestion is the remarkable increase in our exportations of wheat to eastern Asia during the decade just closing. Most of this wheat is shipped in the form of flour, exports of grain being comparatively small. The total amount of wheat flour shipped to Japan and China during the entire fiscal year 1897, just closed, should reach, it is stated, about 1,000,000 barrels, equivalent to more than 4,500,000 bushels of wheat. The major portion of American flour sent across the Pacific goes to Hong-Kong, and is thence distributed to other Chinese ports. ports of flour to Japan, while considerably smaller than to China, show an increase during the last few years proportionately even greater than to China. It is estimated that the total exports of wheat flour from this country to Japan during fiscal year just ended amounted to 200,000 barrels. The exports of wheat in the grain have been chiefly to Japan. 200,000 barrels. American wheat also is sent to eastern Asia in the form of bread and biscuits. but not in very large quantities. Official statistics indicate that the capacity of Japan for wheat production has not increased commensurately with the growth in population, showing constantly increasdependence upon the wheat fields of other countries for its supply. Clearly, these oriental countries are well worth the attention of the American wheatgrower, especially now that Russia, Argentina and other great wheat producing countries are competing with us so strong-

for the European market. DAM LETS LOOSE A FLOOD.

Bursting Reservoir in Fishkill Mountains Causes Deaths of Nine.

Melzingah reservoir, in the Fishkill mountains, near Matteawan, N. Y., burst at 3 o'clock Wednesday morning, owing to the heavy rains. The water ran into the creek and two miles below, near Dutchess Junction, washed away brickyard buildings, including a boarding house occupied by laborers. It is reported that nine of them were drowned and others are missing. The flood at Dutchess Junction washed away 200 yards of the Hudson River Railroad track. Trains are stalled on each side of the breach. There were two reservoirs in the mountain, the lower one half a mile distant from the other. The upper dam gave vay, letting the volume of water into the lower reservoir. This also burst and the water rushed down through a ravine. Van Buren & Timony's brickyard on the Hudson, just below Dutchess Junction, is a mile distant from the site of the lower reservoir. Without warning the flood reached it through the ravine and made terrible havoc. Buildings were torn in pieces and their occupants carried away in the raging flood. The water works system was operated by a private company and supplied the villages of Matteawan and Fishkill-on-the-Hudson. At 9 o'clock seven bodies had been recovered. 'Two of them were those of Peter Mulligan and time Kastel and Samuel Weber of 349 his wife, who kept one of the two board-West Twelfth street were trying to save ing houses for brickyard laborers that were swept away by the flood. The names of the others are not known. It is re ported that twenty are missing. Tons of earth and sand were washed down in the flood. Trains were stalled all the way

from Fishkill to Poughkeepsie. Redskins Plan a Blowout.

The Indians of the Northwest are plan-ning a big blowout. The scheme as now outlined includes any number of pony races, wrestling, jumping and other athletics, the whole to wind up with a sham battle and a mock buffalo hunt. Every Indian in the country will be invited, and the Indians will ask Uncle Sam to send troops and assist in the sham battle. The chiefs pledge themselves to preserve good order. The powwow is planned for July 4, 1898.

Brave Girl Saves Two Men.

At Bridgeport, Conn., brave Agnes Judon's prompt act no doubt saved two men who had fallen from their boat in the waters of the sound. Miss Judson saw the yawl overturn and at the peril of her own life swam to their rescue, and assisted the drowning men back to shore.

Chance for Willing Men.

Kansas farmers are appealing for help to save their wheat, offering as high as \$2 per day for laborers, while the State is swarming with tramps who refuse work. Thousands of acres of wheat lie scattered on the ground because farmers cannot get help to stack it.

Dies in His Father's Office.

Sheridan F. Mason, the son of William A. Mason, of the stock brokerage firm of Mason, Lewis & Co., committed suicide with a revolver early Monday even-ing in his father's private office in the New York Life Building, 171 La Balle street, Chicago.

Celebrate Battle of the Boyne. The usual celebrations in commemora-

tion of the battle of the Boyne took place in Belfast. Twenty thousand orangemen marched in procession and great crowds filled the streets. Everything passed off in the most orderly fashion.

Eight Tramps Killed.

A ment train on the Chicago and Northwestern Railway ran into eight derailed cars near Boone, Iowa. Eight tramps are supposed to have been killed. Several trainmen were injured. The whole train was wrecked.

LITICATION WAS EXPENSIVE.

Suit for \$800 Cost the Interested Parties \$75,000.

The Barbara Yagle case of Oneonta, N Y., which has been in litigation for several years, has been settled at a special term of the Supreme Court. The suit grew out of trouble over the construction of a block at Oneonta. Dudley T. Stevens and Alfred C. Lewis of Oneonta were the architects. They sued to recover \$800 from Mrs. Yagle, which she refused to pay. At one time the case was in a fair way to be settled and Mrs. Yagle was about to sign a paper for this purpose, but changed her mind. The case was given to a referee, who rendered a verdict for the plaintiffs. The referee was charged with misconduct and an effort was made to set aside the verdict on this The suit has cost the parties more than \$75,000, and has been in litiga tion several years. It has been before nearly every Supreme judge in the State

MILLIONAIRE, YET A PAUPER.

Miss Hulda Duestrow Can Not Enjoy

Great Fortune. Although the heiress of millions, Miss Hulda Duestrow of St. Louis is practically a pauper. The fortune which has come to her in such a startling way cannot be touched. A peculiar clause in her father's will is the cause of it all. By this clause \$10,000 can be paid the heiress, "if she should reed money to meet unexpected embarrassment not due to extravagance. But Miss Duestrow has contracted debts aggregating \$26.540 in defending her brother, who was recently executed for the murder of his wife, rebuilding the home wrecked by the cyclone, etc. Now, will the court grant more than the \$10, 000 a year mentioned in the will?

Dun & Co.'s Report. R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade says: "It seems to be the fact that crops in other countries are less promising than usual, and the demand for American wheat is supplemented even at this season by exports of 2,605,594 bushels of corn, against 530,610 bushels for the same week last year. Each week raises the estimate of wheat yield, however, and if the weather continues favorable the crop may prove a most important factor in the future of national and international business. The prospect as to corn is growing more cneerful with each week, and an immense crop is now anticipated. Failares for the week have been 206 in the United States, against 215 last year, and 30 in Canada, against 39 last year."

Winter Wheat Crop is Good.

The following are the percentages of condition of winter wheat on July 1 in the principal winter wheat producing States, as shown by the monthly report of the statistician of the Department of Agriculture: Pennsylvania, 101; Tennes see, 110; Kentucky, 101; Ohio, 88; Michigan, 78; Indiana, 65; Illinois, 40; Missouri, 52; Kansas, 89; California, 78; Maryland, 111; Virginia, 110; Washington, 105; Oregon, 92.

Leroy Rogers' Fate.

With a message to his sweetheart and a murmured "good-by" on his lips Lerof Rogers, of Chicago, 22 years old, secre tary of the Nickel Plate Stove Polish Company, leaped to his death from the promenade deck of the steamer Virginia Monday night while the boat was between Waukegan and Kenosha.

Beggar Carries a Fortune. Louis Arrata, who claims New York as

his home, was arrested at Hinckley Minn., Saturday night for begging on the street. On being searched at the station \$2,500 was found on his person. Five hundred dollars was in \$20 bills and the balance in two bills of \$1,000 each.

Bank's Management Criticised.

The statement of the Bank of Spain, which has been formally gazetted, has increased the adverse comment on the bank management. It shows a note circulation of 136,000,000 pesetas in excess of the authorized issue.

Says All Angels Are Men.

Thomas Needham, an evangelist at New Brunswick, N. J., has stirred up the community to a tremendous pitch by declaring there are no female angels in heaven.

Shoots His Sweetheart,

On one of the principal streets in Van-ouver, B. C., W. J. Immel shot and killed his sweetheart, Kitty Askew, and then shot himself.

National League of Republican Clubs. The tenth annual convention of the Na tional League of Republican Clubs was called to order Tuesday morning at De-

THE MARKETS.

Chicago-Cattle, common to prime \$3.50 to \$5.25; hogs, shipping grades, \$3.00 to \$3.75; sheep, fair to choice, \$2.00 to \$4.00; wheat, No. 2 red, 72c to 73c; corn, No. 2, 25c to 27c; oats, No. 2, 17c to 19c; 1ye, No. 2, 35c to 36c; butter, choice creamery, 14c to 15c; eggs, fresh, 7c to 9c; new potatoes, 40c to 50c per bushel

Indianapolis-Cattle, shipping, \$3.00 to \$5.00; hogs, choice light, \$3.00 to \$3.75 sheep, common to choice, \$3.00 to \$3.75 wheat, No. 2, 67c to 69c; corn, No. white, 27c to 28c; oats, No. 2 white, 21c

St. Louis-Cattle, \$3.00 to \$5.00; hogs \$3.00 to \$3.75; sheep, \$3.00 to \$4.00; hogs, \$4.00; wheat, No. 2, 70c to 72c; corn, No. 2 yellow, 24c to 25c; oats, No. 2 white, 17c to 18c; rye, No. 2, 32c to 34c.

Cincinuati—Cattle, \$2.50 to \$5.00; hogs, \$3.00 to \$3.75; sheep, \$2.50 to \$3.75; wheat, No. 2, 73c to 76c; corn, No. 2 mixed, 27c to 28c; oats, No. 2 mixed, 19c

to 21c; 1ye, No. 2, 34c to 36c.

Detroit—Cattle, \$2.50 to \$5.25; hogs, \$3.00 to \$3.75; sheep, \$4\$2.50 to \$4.00; wheat, No. 2, 76c to 78c; corn, No. 2 yellow, 25c to 28c; oats, No. 2 white, 24c to 25c; 1ye, 35c to 36c.
Toled - Wheat, No. 2 red, 76c to 78c;

eorn, No. 2 mixed, 25c to 27c; eats, No 2 white, 18c to 20c; rye, No. 2, 35c to 37c; clover seed, \$4.15 to \$4.25. Milwaukee-Wheat, No. 2 soring, 74c to 75c; corn, No. 3, 26c to 28c; oats, No.

2 white, 21c to 23c; barley, No. 2, 30c to 36c; rye, No. 1, 35c to 37e; pork, mess, \$7.25 to \$7.75. Buffalo—Cattle, \$3.00 to \$5.00; hogs, \$3.00 to \$4.00; sheep, \$3.00 to \$4.00; wheat, No. 2 red, 76c to 78c; corn, No. 2

yellow, 30c to 31c; oats, No. 2 white, 24c New York-Cattle, \$3.00 to \$5.50; hoga, \$3.50 to \$4.25; sheep, \$3.00 to \$4.50; wheat, No. 2 red, 78c to 80c; corn, No. 2,

30c to 31c; oats, No. 2 white, 21c to 23c

butter, creamery, 12c to 16c; eggs, West-

WELCOMETOTORONTO BAPTISTS AT CHATTANOOGA.

EPWORTH LEAGUE IN ANNUAL SESSION.

Twenty Thousand Delegates from the United States and Canada Attend the Convention-Baptist Young People Meet in Chattanooga.

Greeted by Canadians.

There is scarcely a city of importance in the United States or Canada that was not represented at the big Epworth League convention in Toronto. By the time the convention was opened, shortly after noon Thursday, there were fully 20,000 delegates in Toronto, and they were still arriving. It was the largest convention in the history of the league, and it is almost safe to say it was larger than any previous gathering ever held in connection with the Methodist Church. The contingents from New York State and Illinois were the biggest. Brooklyn sent a large delegation, Cleveland sent 300 delegates. While the delegations from those States nearer to Canada were the largest, many came from San Francisco and a strong delegation came from Boston. The far Western States sent large contingents, and the Southern States were well represented, while Mexico sent a number.

Reception of the Visitors,

The welcome in behalf of the city and Canada generally was most spontaneous and enthusiastic. Baptists and other denominations turned out to receive the vis-There was a big meeting in the Massy hall to welcome the delegates. An address was delivered by A. S. Hardy, the premier and attorney general of Ontario. He welcomed them for the cause they represented, and which they had come to stimulate, and because already 100,000 Canadians belonged to their society, and had taken the same vows and subscribed to the same pledges as the 1,750,000 of Epworth Leaguers in their own country. No one, he said, could look upon the work accomplished during the last seven or eight years by the league otherwise than with amazement. It read like a fairy tale.

It was understood that some of the principal aims and objects of the society were, in short, helpfulness to themselves and to others, or, in detail, greater culture, more personal piety, greater service to others and a more thorough knowledge of the Bible among the members, chiefly composed of the younger members of the Methodist Church, He welcomed them also because they were neighbors and relatives, and because they came as friends. They represented the pick and flower of the youth of that active and powerful church which is scarcely less influential relatively in Canada than in the United States, and which through its activity, zeal and spiritual life is adding constantly to its millions of members and adherents Some time a warlike feeling would flash up between England and America, but would subside on sober second thought almost as rapidly as it had been aroused. There could be no war between these two foremost Christian nations of the earth. The moral forces of the two countries would in the last resort prove too strong

Other Words of Welcome.

The Rev. Dr. Carman, the general superintendent of the Methodist Church of Toronto, in an eloquent address of wel-

come said: "Methodism was providentially prepared for America, as this American continent was kept for popular enfranchisement and personal freedom. You south of the great lakes, and we north, equally possess, cherish and guard them both, but under different forms. You have chosen monarchical methodism in the great republic; we are working out republican methodism under the imperial standard of Great Britain. Our doctrines are the We greatly admire and love the nation of Washington and Lincoln, of Ulysses S. Grant and Stonewall Jackson -heroes both; of Motley and Parkham; of Longfellow and Whittier. We delight in its freedom, we triumph in its moral victories and we count it an unspeakable favor and honor to greet its noble sons and daughters in this grand Epworth

League convention." Eloquent responses, full of the spirit of brotherly love and good fellowship, especially between the people of Anglo-Saxon blood and of the Christian faith, were made by Bishop C. C. McCabe for the Methodist Episcopal Church; the Rev. James Thomas of Little Rock, Ark., for the Methodist Episcopal Church South, and the Rev. H. A. Crane of Bombay, on behalf of India.

The most important feature of this convention was the fact that arrangements were made for the evolution from an international to an intercontinental convention! This year the Rev. Simpson Johnson, representing the Wesley guild of Mapchester, England, came expressly for the purpose of transforming the three-fold convention to a four-fold one, and the next convention will consist of delegates from the Methodist Episcopal Church, the Methodist Episcopal South, the Methodist Church of Canada and the Wesleyan Church of England.

A message from President McKinley was received by the Epworth League officers. It was read by Dr. Berryman of Chicago. Then at the call of the chairman three hearty cheers were given for Queen Victoria and three for President McKinley. These were followed by a combined cheer for the two great rulers. "God Save the Queen" and "America" were then sung in alternate verses, the effect being most impressive.

Forty families of Polish Jews, numbering over 100, who were landed at New York by the steamships Sicilia and Verudam, will be deported because they are in a destitute condition and are therefore subject to exclusion as "persons liable to become public charges."

The members of the old Western Freight Traffic Association, disrupted last spring by the United States Supreme Court decision, have made a new agreement, which provides heavy penalties for any road which shall violate the schedule It is said that Richard Mansfield has

a new play, by Oscar Wilde, which was written while the latter was undergoing his term of imprisonment in England.

Chancellor Hohenlohe of Germany denies that he has any intention of resigning his office.

The National Convention Meets in the Southern City.

The seventh international convention of the Baptist Young People's Union of America began in Chattanooga, Tenn., Thursday morning with about 4,000 delegates and some of the most prominent Baptist leaders in the country present. The handsomely and elaborately decorated City Auditorium was completely filled at 10 o'clock, the hour of opening. Each State delegation occupied quarters reserved for it. On the rostrum were scated the officers and speakers, and in the gallery above was the excellently trained

choir of 500 voices. The convention was opened with a short song service, led by Dr. L. L. Henson of Fort Wayne, Ind., formerly secretary of the board of managers. The immense audience joined enthusiastically with the choir in the singing, and a great wave of inspiring harmony floated through the building. At the close of the song service Dr. Henson read the 46th psalm and delivered a fervent invocation, after which President Chapman arose to deliver the opening address.

Following the president addresses of welcome, all eloquent and interesting, were then delivered as follows: On behalf of the churches of Chattanooga, by Dr. R. B. Garrett, pastor of the First Baptist Church; on behalf of the Baptist Young People's Society of the city and State, by the Rev. M. D. Jeffries of Knoxville, Tenn.; on behalf of the citizens of Chattanooga, by Mayor George W. Ochs. Dr. J. W. Conley of St. Paul, Minn., responded to these welcoming ad-

dresses.

The report of Treasurer Frank Moody of Milwaukee showed evidences of greater economy and better financial condition than before. For the year ended June 30, 1896, a comparison of assets and liabilities showed a deficit of \$4,820.23. For the year ended June 30, 1897, after a conservative estimate of assets, the deficit is reduced to \$1,738.17, showing a gain for the year of \$3,082.05. An examina-tion of the report of the business manager shows a gain during the year in accounts receivable of \$3,587.79, plus a reduction of indebtedness to the amount of \$317.50.

The board of managers recommended some changes in the constitution, which were accepted and approved by the convention. These changes led to a most complete union of the forces of the Baptist Young People's Union of America with the Southern union, by which the forces of both are consolidated, and, in making this new relation with the Southern uepartment, separate departments were provided for the North, the South, the East and the West, to be known hereafter as the Baptist Young People's Union, North; Baptist Young People's Union, South, etc., instead of as heretofore by department colors.

SPANISH JAPANESE ALLIANCE.

Meant to Carry Both Coasts of the

Union in Case of Hostilities.

A dispatch from Paris to a London news agency says that inquiry at an American embassy there has elicited a confirmation of the rumor that the Governments of Spain and Japan have arranged an offensive alliance against the United States. The terms of the understanding, which is for the mutual protection of Cuba and Hawaii, provide that in the event of an active aggressive movement on the part of the United States tending toward interference in Cuban affairs or persistence in the annexation of the Hawaiian islands, both Spain and Japan shall declare war simultaneously against the United States, and shall make hostile demonstrations along both the Atlantic and Pacific coast lines of that country.

At Washington, little credence is placed in the statement that the Spanish and Japanese Governments have entered into an offensive alliance against the United States for the mutual protection of Cuba and Hawaii. Mr. Day, the first assistant secretary, discredited the report and regarded it as too improbable to discuss.
"The State Department has no information concerning the reported alliance," he said, "and I don't believe there is any foundation for the statement that one has been entered into." Both the Spanish and Japanese ministers are away from the city.

KICKED TO DEATH AND BURNED

Fate of the Negro Murderer of Miss Williams at West Point, Tenn.

Near West Point, Tenn., Tuesday af-ternoon, Miss Rene Williams was found brutally murdered in the woods near her nome. Thursday afternoon Anthony Williams, her murderer, was captured near Pruitton, and at night he expatiated his crime in the streets of West Point, in the presence of 500 people. Williams was riddled with bullets and burned in the streets of West Point, his body being burned to ashes. Before a shot was fired the negro was knocked down and stamped to death. Then the crowd fell back and those who had pistols fired volley after volley at him. The crowd then gathered wood, and, building a fire over him, watched the pyre.



How much does a hundred pounds of ce weigh?

Pay in the coal industries is really a matter of miner importance.

Now, aren't these nice days for any one to be called upon to worry over the price of coal?

The Dallas News says that "wild oats are now sown by machinery." This is harrowing. Actor Ratcliffe is strongly suspected of

desire to change the sex of the mother-If it will take \$7,000,000 to put Debs'

scheme on foot, there is every reason to

believe that the scheme will have to be put somewhere else. Chicago sometimes plays in hard luck: her new jail was dedicated just at a time

when the City Council quit for the sum-mer and the aldermen were hurrying out

A New York burglar was caught in a refrigerator the other night and nearly froze to death before his plight was discovered. Still, a night prowler can hardly complain if he receives a cold reception ecasionally.

NEWS OF THE WEEK CONCISELY CONDENSED.

Energetic Measures to Extirnate a Horticultural Pest-Sad Mistake of a Lumber Camp Cook-Late Report About Michigan's Standard Crops.

San Jose Scale.

At the next meeting of the State Board of Agriculture an inspector will be appointed under the authority of a bill pass ed by the last Legislature, to prevent the spread of a disease known as San Jose scale, which afflicts fruit trees. The disease proves fatal to trees if the greatest care is not taken. It first appeared in California, from whence it found its way to New Jersey and recently to Michigan through the nurseries which ship young trees into the State. It is now known to exist in twenty counties in this State. the naked eye the twigs are incrusted in a fine white scale impervious to water which may be removed only in the winter time by a strong solution of lye. scale is the product of a minute insect which fastens itself upon the tree and penetrates the wood with its long feelers or borers. The inspector to be appointed will have authority to prosecute persons who neglect to destroy the pests, to inspect nurseries and to destroy trees which are afflicted with the borers

The Crop Outlook.

The Michigan crop report for July says that the average yield of wheat per acre in the State, as estimated July 1, is 12.36 bushels, in the southern counties 13.37 bushels, in the central 10.30 bushels, and in the northern 12.40 bushels. The estimate for the State is 8-100 of a bushel The Hessian fly is reported from various points, but it does not seem probable that material damage will be done the crop. The Supervisors' returns of farm statistics, so far as footed, indicate practically the same acreage as harvested in 1896. The area planted in corn is estimated at 4 per cent less in the State and 5 per cent less in the southern counties than in average years. In condition the crop averages in the State, southern and northern counties 75, and in the central 76. The average condition of oats is The estimated area planted to beans is 72 per cent of area in average years. The estimate one year ago was, for the State, 94. The acreage planted to potatoes is estimated at 18 per cent less than in average years in the southern counties and the State, 19 less in the central and 16 less in the northern counties. The average condition of the crop is now 88. The average condition of meadows and pastures and of clover sowed this year is 99. The hay crop is one of the best in average per acre ever harvested in the State. Apples are estimated to yield less than one-half and peaches less than onefourth of an average crop.

Struck a Gas Vein.

While boring a well for water an oil and gas vein was struck on the propert; of E. R. Marcotte at Port Huron, and it caught fire from a lighted lantern. The flames shot up several hundred feet into the air, and efforts to extinguish the blaze have been unavailing. There is an immense sheet of fire over the opening, and the well being close to Mr. Marcotte's residence the latter is in imminent danger. The fire department has over 3,000 feet of hose in use, but necessarily confine their efforts to keeping the flames from spreading, no appliances being at hand to extinguish the burning well. Mr. Marcotte, in fighting the fire with a garden hose before the arrival of the fire departwas severely burned about the hands and face, but his condition is not dangerous. The well was down about 100 feet when the gas was struck.

Seven Are Poisoned.

Joseph Bowser, who operates a camp at Roudo, with four lumbermen and Mrs. Franklin and her daughter, were poisoned by eating biscuits containing arsenic. The regular cook at the camp had left and Mrs. Franklin took his place. She picked up a can labeled baking powder and used three teaspoonfuls of its contents in the biscuit she was making. Shortly after dinner all seven occupants of the camp were taken violently ill. A physician found them suffering from arsenical poioning. He administered antidotes, and believes that all will recover. An investigation showed that the powder in the baking powder can was pure arsenic, but how it got there no one knows. no suspicion that it was put in the can

Slain by the Elements. Excessive heat and resultant electric storms killed John Monson of Muskegon, Fred and Henry Schnierle of Ann Arbor. E. C. Van Valkenburg of Traverse City, Jesse Stockford and Conrad Bathmore of Sagmaw and Chas. Aldrich of Armado. Many horses and cattle perished.

Minor State Matters.

The large barn of Simon Langley, near Caseville, was burned. Loss, \$1,500; par-

Joseph Koeff, a German hostler, committed suiside by jumping into the St. Joseph river at Benton Harbor. Mrs. Sarah Kerr, an old and highly re-

spected resident of Jackson County, is dead at Blackman. She was 53 years The arch under the boilers of the West Michigan furniture factory at Holland fell in, fatally injuring the 19-year-old son

of D. Strovyans. J. Wilson and Sam Adams of Oxford have been fined \$5 each for spearing fish in their own waters on Stony Lake. The

fishermen claim that they have a right to spear fish in their own waters and have appealed the case. At Holland, Kanter Bros.' hardware store was burglarized, being entered through the back door. The lock had

been forced out by boring a circle of holes around it. Revolvers, cutlery, etc., to the amount of \$150 were taken. No clew. Thirty-nine families are utterly destitute at Lake Inn, the village which burned Saturday. Traverse City and Manistee is furnishing them the necessities of

life. The actual loss of property is \$75,-

075, with little insurance. Miss Orpha Ingolsby, a well-known young lady of Pontisc, was found hanging by a rope tied to her bed. Miss Ingolsby was 35 years old and lived with her brother, who found her body. A few weeks age the father died. A note was found which stated that she was satisfied that she was mentally deranged and that she desired to give her brother no trouble.

George W. Lucas of Flint died from the effects of a sunstroke.

Steady rains fell at Holland, which were greatly needed for corn, berries, etc The wheat harvest in Calhoun County promises to be the best in ten years both as regards quantity and quality.

The wife of E. C. Dayton, president of the City National Bank, Kalamazoo, died from an operation for appendicitis.

Frank Lovejoy, who jumped off an upper peninsula train going at the rate of forty miles an hour, escaping from the sheriff three weeks ago, is still at large. He knew the woods like a book.

Fire wiped out the planing mill of Avery & Co. at Saginaw. Prompt efforts of the firemen saved the lumber yards and adjacent property. The loss is estimated at \$10,000, covered by insurance.

Mr. Warner, a grocer in Saline, attempted to move a barrel of sugar. In some way he dislocated both of his knee caps, and it is feared that he may be a cripple for the remainder of his life.

The large houses of the Bay County Ice Company were struck by lightning and destroyed, involving a loss of \$5,000. Three Detroit and Mackinaw cars were also burned. It is thought most of the ice can be saved.

Farm help in the southern part of the State is very scarce, but in the towns the corner politician is still wearing out the seat of his trousers holding down a soap box while he discusses ways and means of saving the country.

Prof. McEwen of Jackson made a balloon ascension Saturday at Benton Harbor, and when 500 feet in the air his balloon burst, the ropes became tangled, his parachute failed to work and he came down on a housetep. He was injured in-

A new vein of coal has been found on the farm of H. E. Goeschel, five miles southeast of Saginaw, at a depth of 150 feet. It is of excellent quality, judging by the specimens brought to the surface. and a shaft will probably be sunk in the near future.

A terrific storm prevailed Tuesday near Armada, and much damage resulted. The crops in the path of the storm are ruined, the standing grain being beaten down and cut to pieces. Houses suffered severely by having their windows smashed and farmers lost many chickens, ducks and turkeys, which were killed by the hail.

W. S. Locke, while fishing in Manistique lake, Mackinac County, caught a brook trout that weighed four pounds. It was a beauty, and how it got there is a conundrum. Gail Helmer, near whose place the trout was caught, and who has fished the lake for years, turned almost green with envy when he saw this king of fishes.

The viliage council at Armada has passed an ordinance requiring all wheelmen who ride upon the sidewalks to ring a bell upon overtaking a pedestrian and to dismount on meeting one going in an opposite direction. A speed of over six miles per hour on the walks is prohibited, and lamps must be used at night. No regulations were adopted relative to riding in the road.

Miss Dale, a Bay City school teacher, who is living at a Mt. Clemens boarding house on Wells street, missed her pocketbook. She accused two young fellows, fellow boarders, of the theft. Sheriff Sheriff Nank had much doubt as to their guilt. He called on Miss Dale and while she was relating the circumstances surrounding the theft, a hackman walked in and handed her the missing pocketbook. He had found it on a trunk at the station, where Miss Dale had laid it down and forgotten it. The young men were imme diately released. Miss Dale apologized.

Judge Cady of Port Huron, who is known as the smallest police justice in Michigan, sends out the following record for one morning's work: "Court opened at 10 o'clock with the junior justice in the chair, and in less than two hours the court fined ten drunks and three fighters, ordered two vags out of town, fined Jerry Terrell, a soap fakir from Grand Rapids, \$10; gave Wm. Badgley, arrested for grand larceny, a hearing, and released him on \$300 bail, and previous to all this work performed a marriage ceremony."

Labor Commissioner Cox has determined to employ a female factory inspector to investigate the sanitary arrangements and other details of factories where women are employed, the male inspectors having experienced some difficulty in seeuring certain information which the commissioner desires. Commissioner Cox is convinced that the law requiring separate lavatories for women to be maintained is not observed in many establishments, and he is determined to enforce the law requiring the proprietors of mercantile establishments to provide stools for their women clerks to sit on while not actively

Miss Eliza Harris, who was shot by Peterson, her jealous lover, at Benton Harbor, is in a condition approaching nervous prostration as the result of the attempt on her life. It is believed that owing to her fear of Peterson he will not be released on bail. The Harris family deny that Peterson helped to support them. They say that the presents which Eliza received from him were of the cheapest variety. At one time he gave the girl a watch, but recently borrowed it from her and pawned it. With the money secured on it Peterson bought a revolver with which he attempted to end the life of the girl.

Col. M. A. Aldrich, editorial writer; Charles J. Toots, mailing clerk: Edwin J. Bulkley, proof reader and reporter, and William M. Hathaway, reporter, all employed by the old Grand Rapids Democrat, had their claims for salaries allowed by Circuit Judge Adsit, as preferred labor claims. The Michigan Trust Co., for the bondholders, appealed to the Supreme Court, which has reversed the decision as to all the employes, except Toots. The court holds that the labor performed by the petitioners, with the exception of Toots, was that of professional men, rather than laborers, and not such as is covered by the statute relative to preferred labor claims.

A stranger, representing himself as a railroad man, engaged board with Mrs. Susan Smith of Jackson Tuesday afternoon, and an hour later disappeared with her son's new suit of clothes, a revolver and a pair of cuff buttons.

Four prisoners awaiting trial, Thomas Warren, Charles Melvin, F. C. Bennett and Clarence McCullom, escaped from jail at Flint. They pried open the ceiling and roof and slid to the ground below. Passers-by were edified by the apparent piety of the inmates. Revival hymns were sung with devotion and persever-

PEACE NOW IN SIGHT.

STRIKE OF COAL MINERS MAY SOON END.

Agreement Between Men and Operators Is Near-Basis of Settlement Is Famous "Uniformity" Agreement-Report on the Competitor Prisoners

Strike May Be Settled.

The end of the great strike of coal miners seems in sight. W. P. De Armit, president of the New York and Cleveland Gas Coal Company, which concern has been freely blamed by rival operators as responsible for all the mining troubles of the last three years, has come to terms with the arbitration commission. Concessions have been made both by him and unofficially by other operators. His famous "uniformity" agreement has been indorsed by representatives of the strikers, and in turn he has receded from his position demanding the signatures of 95 per cent of the operators in order to make it effective.

This agreement was approved at the conference in Pittsburg by President Patrick Dolan and Secretary William War-ner of the United Mine Workers of the Pittsburg district. They promised to solicit the interest of the miners in the plan and to use every influence to secure the required number of signatures. A clause will be inserted in the agreement binding the contracting parties to enforce it in case it is found to be impossible to secure the indorsement of 95 per cent of the operators.

President M. D. Ratchford of the Unit ed Mine Workers was called to Pittsburg from Columbus to confer with the local officers, and it is freely predicted that the result will be a general return to work in the near future.

Under the terms of the agreement Mr. De Armit consents to sign a contract which will bring about a condition of true uniformity in the Pittsburg district, according to the plan formulated, but which failed eighteen months ago. The contract provides that there shall be no comstores, honest weight, fair screens and the removal of other evils long complained of by the miners.

The agreement moreover provides for ators. This money will create a fund to be used for the purpose of protecting the operators inside the deal against those on

the acts of reparation which ought to be demanded should be the release of these captives." Secretary Evarts is quoted to sustain this position.

GREAT PEACE POW-WOW.

Sioux and Chippewa Indians Bury the Bloody Hatched.

Sioux Indians marched from their Dakota reservations to White Birch, Wis., where a two weeks' peace powwow was held with their old enemies, the Chippe was.

For hundreds of years the Sioux and Chippewas have been implacable foes, making war upon one another at every opportunity, and conducting reprisals with a brutal savagery that would shame even an Apache. Death by torture of the most horrible kind was the certain fate of captives, and knowledge of this caused their long warfare to be marked with demoni acal fury. The original home of the Chip pewas was in the lake country now divided into the States of Wisconsin and Michigan. Here the western branch of the famous Algonquin family ruled in noted for bravery and military skill of a high order. On the west, where now is Minnesota and the Dakotas, was the home of the powerful Sioux nation. Bloody raids were of frequent occurrence, until finally, after long and disastrous warfare, the Chippewas gathered in force and drove their enemies into the Minnesota country, from which they were removed to the Dakota reservations by Federal troops in 1863. Time and changed conditions have mellowed the redmen's passions.

The Chippewas have settled down to peaceful pursuits in northern Wisconsin and Minnesota, where many of them have farms, while the Sioux are held in control on reservations far beyond the Mississip-Being unable to come together in conflict as of old, owing to the supremacy of the whites, these Indians now want peace. It is years since they met in actual warfare, and the head men have come to the conclusion that, as further fighting is impossible, a formal treaty of amity might as well be ratified. This is the excuse for

the peace powwow held at White Birch.
Two hundred Sioux have made their way across Minnesota and Dakota to the rendezvous at White Birch, traveling on ponies and encamping out in aboriginal style. These met in little bands at Bismarck, N. D., and there consolidated in one body under the leadership of Chief an assessment of one-tenth of a cent on every ton of coal produced by the opernotable characters, including Sitting Bull's caughter and Chief Black Bear of Custer massacre fame.

First in the ceremonial part of the pow-



ROAST DOG FESTIVAL AT THE BIG PEACE POW-WOW.

the outside. The miners m turn will | wow came the formal burial of the tomaadopt suitable measures to protect them- hawk in token of the end of the war and selves and their employers from the same source of danger.

No Fear of a Shortage.

A Pittsburg dispatch says: The fear of a coal shortage, which caused a scramble for the black diamonds and a heavy advance in prices, is over, and unless the miners' strike continues for many months a famine is not now expected. There is market and thousands of bushels seem to be available. Operators are in daily receipt of letters from the mines east and north of Pittsburg offering them large grave and covered with earth. The moquantities of coal at from 75 cents to \$1.25 at the mines on freight rates varying from 33 to 59 cents. While the visible supply on the Monongahela between here and Brownsville does not exceed 7,000,000 bushels, the operators say calls can be made on the Clearfield district, where coal can be obtained without difficulty and at rates as reasonable as could be expected. The present quotations for coal run from the mine are from \$1.25 to

BLOW IS DEALT SPAIN.

Trenchant Report on the Competitor Frisoners' Case.

Another blow was struck at Spain Wednesday. It is in the form of a report from the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, and it virtually asks the President to interfere in the case of the Competitor pris-

Senator Davis, chairman of the committee, reported the following joint resolu-"That the President be empowered to take such measures as in his judgment may be necessary to obtain the release from the Spanish Government of Ona Melton, Alfred O. Laborde and William Gildea, and the restoration of the schoon-er Competitor to her owner, and to secure this he is authorized and requested to employ such means or exercise such power

as may be necessary."

The report recites all the facts that have been brought out in the Competitor case, her ownership, capture and the citizenship of the three men named in the resolution, together with the proceedings thus far had by the Spanish authorities, the trial, sentence, etc.

The report characterizes it a "mockery of a trial." The affidavits of the parties are cited to show that they were coerced into Spanish waters, in which case they were not amenable to Spanish jurisdic-They were not subject to piracy and intended no act of depredation on the seas, nor were they subject to the Spanish authorities on account of alleged re-

The report then says: "Irrespective of any of the foregoing considerations, the conduct of Spain, as hereinbefore detailed, constitutes such delay and denial of iustice and such an actual infliction of injustice upon these men as to make it the duty of this Government to demand reparation therefor irrespective of any act important schedules would be speedily which these prisoners may have committed up to the date of their capture. Among other differences.

strife. All the Indians were seated in a circle around an open grave, and while the musicians made discordant noise with their tom-toms the singers chanted a peace song. This over, two young bucks marched about the circle bearing with them a large hatchet made of wood. Behind them the braves of the two nations fell in line and indulged in howls and gestures supat present an abundance of coal in the posed to indicate their great pleasure at assisting in the ceremony. Then the medicine man signaled for quiet and the tomment the last spadeful of earth was put in place bucks and squaws jumped up and began the peace dance, which was kept going for three days and nights without intermission. Day and night the dance was kept up, big fires being built as soon as darkness fell, and the weird effect of the half-naked, painted Indians circling about in the flickering lights was one never to be forgotten.

IN A TEMPORARY DEADLOCK.

Tariff Bill Conferees Are a Long Way

from an Agreement The conferees on the tariff bill found themselves Wednesday apparently further apart than they were at the beginning of the conference. There was no immediate prospect of agreement and more than one member stated that the entanglement was such that the settle-

ment might be indefinitely prolonged. A Washington correspondent says that from all that can be learned there has been a general recession from the partial agreements made on the more important articles until sugar, wool, hides, etc., can be definitely fixed. Sugar is still the principal contention. The best reports represent the House conferees, with Speaker Reed behind them, as holding out for the House sugar schedule without any change whatever, and the Senators quite as determined not to yield to this extent. The House conferees insist that this schedule must be definitely fixed before other ques-

tions shall be taken up. One of the other questions of secondary importance upon which sharp difference have arisen is the Senate amendment for a stamp tax on stocks and bonds. The House opposed the amendment, but the Senators, while not wedded to it, insist upon it as necessary for revenue. The House is also resisting strenuously the 20 per cent duty placed upon hides, and is at the same time persistently holding out for a restoration of gunny bags, cotton ties, etc., to the dutiable list.

A Senator who talked with some of the conferees said: "They are in a temporary deadlock and are tied up all along the line. It looks as if the situation might remain unchanged for a week.'

While this appears to be a correct outline of the situation, the prevailing impression is that a settlement of one or followed by a complete adjustment of all

ASSERTED HIMSELF.

The Old Man Didn't Count for Much, but He Owned the House.

It was Sunday afternoon, and the old gentleman responded in person when the doorbell rang. Furthermore, the old gentleman was not in the best of humor. However, of course the young man didn't know that, or he would have been ready to dodge.

The young man, it may be explained, just to show that everything was in accordance with the rules of polite soclety, never had met the old gentleman, but he had met the old gentleman's wife and the old gentleman's daughter and had been invited to call whenever he was in the city, and it so happened that he was in the city this lovely Sunday afternoon,

"Is-aw-Miss Brown in?" asked the young man.

Now it so happened that the old gentleman had his opinion of anyone who said "aw," and it was not a flattering one, either. Consequently he growled out something to the effect that she was not in.

"So sorry, you know," said the young man,

The old gentleman didn't know, but he took it for granted and made no further comment. Then it seemed to dawn upon the

young man, who was fumbling for a card, that perhaps he had made a mistake "This is-aw-her house, isn't it?"

he asked. "It is not," returned the old gentle-

man, bluntly, "Oh-aw-beg a thousand pardons," said the young man. "Thought it was,

you know. So sorry. My mistake." He was turning away when another thought occurred to him, and he quickly turned back again.

"Can you-aw-tell me where shew-lives?" he asked.

"Here," replied the old gentleman. "But you told me-

"I told you it wasn't her house, and it isn't her house," interrupted the old gentleman. "It's my house. I don't count for much in it when she and her mother are both here, but it's mine just the same. She may get it some time, but I don't want any out-of-town dudes figuring on it just yet. There are enough in the neighborhood who are going to be disappointed."

As usual, however, the young man was equal to the occasion.

He said, "Aw!"-Chicago Post. Jurors May Attend Church.

The court of appeals, in its recent decision affirming judgment convicting Giuseppe Constantine of murder in the first degree in killing Pietro Galiotti at Utica, held, among other things, that the fact that during the trial the jury, in charge of officers, attended church, where the sermon was upon the prevalence of crime, was insufficient to justify a new trial, when it was shown that the officers, as soon as they discovered that anything might be said which could prejudice the jury, at once left the church with them, and that the trial judge thereupon stated to the jury, and at the close of the trial charged them, that no opinion uttered by the preacher should have the slightest weight upon their minds in forming their verdict. The evidence showed that the murder was committed in an affray, and that there was and interval of from half a minute to two minutes for deliberation while the defendant was threatening the fatal act. The court held it was not error for the judge, in charging the jury upon the question whether there was sufficient time for such a degree of deliberation and premeditation as would constitute the crime, to illustrate a minute of time by his watch. The power conferred on the court of appeals by sections 528 and of 542 the code of criminal procedure to order a new trial capital cases was not to be exercised upon the mere appearance of some error to which no exception was taken, unless the substantial rights of the accused could be seen to have been affected by it.-New York Times.

Well Done, My Lad.

At a certain well-known school it was the custom, many years ago, to make a boy who was in the black books stand out in the middle of the hall during dinner time, dinnerless, while the other boys dined. It was also the custom for each boy to say grace in turn.

One day a poor, dinnerless boy had ilso to say grace. Pointing with his thumb over his shoulder he said it:

"For what they are going to receive. the Lord make them truly thankful!" "Sit down, my boy, and have your dinner," sang out the amused head master. And the boys sprang to their feet, and cheered him long and loudly.

Machinery.

When there is a thumping or knocking in a piece of machinery, it is often difficult amid the surrounding noises to locate the one particular knock. Engineers make use of a rubber tube about a yard long, one end of which is placed in the ear and the other passed over the suspected spots. The vibrations from all other parts than the one covered being excluded, it is said to be an easy matter to locate a jarring noise, and, when found, to observe the intensity and perodicity with which it occurs.

Paris Executioner.

Deibler, the "Monsieur de Paris," has resumed his post as executioner if reports are to be credited. Formerly France had a head cutter for every department, but of late years, until his recent resignation, Deibler filled the office for the entire country, having 400 executions to his credit. He used to be something of a dandy, but more recently avoids publicity as much as posaible.

LEADER OF MANY MEN.

Michael Ratchford, National Presi-

dent of the United Mine Workers. Michael Ratchford, national president of the United Mine Workers, upon whom devolves the responsibility of managing the national strike of the miners, is a resident of Massillon, Stark County, Ohio. He is a product of the coal mines of that county, where his father, of English descent, was a miner before him. He received his schooling in labor agitation under John McBride, also of Massillon, who was president of the national miners' or-



M. D. RATCHFORD

ganization when the great strike of 1894 was fought. In 1888 Ratchford was a member of the national executive board of the miners' organization, and last year he was president of the Ohio miners' ganization. At the national convention in Columbus last January he was elected to the highest office in the organization. He is 43 years old, is married and has two children. Five feet ten inches in stature, stoutly built, with firm-set jaw and mouth, flashing eyes, he looks like the leader of his fellows that he is.

DIE IN THE WATER.

Eagle Lake, Ind., Is the scene of a Yachting Disaster.

The hundreds of cottages on the shores of Eagle Lake, Ind., were shocked beyond measure the other evening by the announcement of the overturning of a sailboat and the drowning of two of the most popular young ladies at this resort, Miss Georgia Coulter of Chicago and Bertha Yarnelle of Fort Wayne. The news ffashed through the grounds in an instant and scores went to the beach, where the sad news was confirmed.

These two girls, with Miss Eunice, daughter of F. W. Munson of Chicago, went for a ride in a small sailboat with John M. Coulter, Jr., and William Gray of Chicago. The boat capsized off Yarnelle's point, half a mile from shore and a mile and a half from the landing. Coulter saved Miss Munson, but the other two girls were drowned. Miss Yarnelle was tangled in the rigging, but Miss Coulter sank in ninety feet of water.

George Ritter of Warsaw, a fisherman, hastened to the scene of the accident in a rowboat and William Scheimer, the park boatman, arrived about the same time. They found Coulter and Gray exhausted by repeated diving for the missing girls. The survivors were brought in and another rescue party went out at once in a steamer. Scheimer, after finding Miss Yarnelle's body so entangled in the rigging that it had to be cut loose, dived for the other girl until he was so nearly drowned that only prompt medical assist ance saved his life. The body of Miss Yarnelle was taken to her father's cottage and several doctors worked for hours resuscitate her, but without effect. Professional divers recovered the other body.

JUDGE JOHN C. CLIGGETT.

Candidate for Governor Chosen by Iowa Gold Democrats.

John C. Cliggett, national Democratic candidate for Governor of Iowa, is the senior partner of the law firm of Cliggett & Rule of Mason City. In 1892 and again in 1894 he was the Democratic candidate for judge of the Supreme Court of Iowa. He was born in Rensselaer County, New York, Aug. 25, 1840. He went to Mason City in 1871, where he has since engaged



JUDGE JOHN C. CLIGGETT.

in the practice of law. He was brought up on a farm, receiving a common school education. He afterward divided his time for some years between farm work, teaching school and reading law. He attended Chicago Law School, and received his first certificate of admission to the bar from the Supreme Court of Illinois in the spring of 1869. He has been a lifelong Democrat.

Notes of Current Events. The steamship St. Paul took out 625.

000 ounces of silver. The yacht Seaflower, with ten persons aboard, was captized in a squall at Chi-

cago. All were rescued. The J. F. Crawford Lumber Company of Louisiana, Mo., assigned. Assets about \$75,000; liabilities, \$60,000.

Otto W. Ropiequet of Belleville, Ill., confessed to misappropriating \$8,000 of the funds of the Belleville Savings Bank. with which he had been connected for nineteen years.

The London Lancet, the English medical authority, makes a semi-official announcement of the condition of the queen's eyesight, which will be said to be much affected by age.

Frank Eyck of Elizabeth, N. J., ac-

knowledges himself the slave of cigarettes. He voluntarily surrendered him-self to the police and had himself locked up that he might break the habit.

HOW TO FIND OUT THE MIDDLEVILLE SUN

Fill a bottle or common glass with urine and let it stand twenty-four hours; a sediment or settling indicates a diseased condition of the kidneys. When urine stains linen it is positive evidence of kidney trouble. Too frequent desire to urinate or pain in the back, is also convincing proof that the kidneys and bladder are out of order.

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Probate Order.

the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-geven. Present, JAMES B. MILLS, Judge of Pro-

In the matter of the estate of the state of

hearing. (A TRUE COPY) MAGGIE J. HUGHES, Probate Register.

Mortgage Sale.

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, P. 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 128, on whick mertgage 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, and is hereby declared due by said mortgage, 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 mortgage to declare the same due of which the mortgage of declare the same due of which the mortgage to declare the same due of which the mortgage of declare the same due of which the mortgage of declare the same due of which the mortgage of the 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 take highest bidder, at the north front door of the court of Barry is holden) on Saturday, the 21st day of August. A. D. 1897, at ten o'clock in the foreignon, the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary by pay the amount due on said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary by pay the amount due on said mortgage as a foreign the pay of the said mortgage. The premises being described in said mortgage as all that certain piece or twenty-five dollars coverpanted for in said mortgage. The premises being described in Default having been made in the condi

J. W. SAUNDERS, Publisher, Entered at the Middleville, Mich., Postoffice assecond-class matter.

THURSDAY, JULY 22, 1897.

Most people will agree in one thing bout the new tariff—being glad that it has been completed.

Some persons cannot be demoralized. and the Connecticut woman who has taken, read and preserved a New York laily newspaper for 41 years without injury to her good standing must be one of them.

The Sultan of Turkey may not be al together modern in his ideas, but wher it comes to the game of diplomacy, he is able to hold his own with any of

The preliminary conventions of gold democrats which have been held in most of the states in which elections are to take place this fall show a much larger percentage of democrats lining up with the gold wing of the party that in last fall's campaign and the leaderof the gold democracy are greatly en ouraged by this fact.

Despite the enormous importations of nanufactured goods, the manufacturerof the country are showing an improved business condition. Reports from var ous sections show an increase in the number of hands employed and houroccupied. Reports from Dun's Review covering the failures for the month of une show that the failures among the manufacturers were only 238 against 284 in June of last year, while the liabilities were only \$6,365,010 against 68,209,984 in June of last year, and \$12,-156,408 in June, 1895.

A recent publication by the New York Journal of Commerce shows the full legal-tender silver money of the United States to be \$549,300,000; or France, \$434,000,000; of Spain, \$23,000, 000; of Germany, \$105,000,000; of the Straits Settlements, \$115,000,000; of China, \$750,000,000, and of India \$950, 000,000. Of the \$4,053,000,000 of silver money in the world today, all but \$620,-000,000 is full legal tender, and morthan half of it has been coined since 1873. These figures are published by the New York Journal of Commerce, a conservative and extremely accurate paper, whose statements on subjects of tnis character are always accepted as

The statements of the fiscal year just ended show that the agricultural element of the country has enjoyed a greatly improved condition during the past year, while other statements received at Washington are equally gratifying as to the prospects for the com ng year. The exportations of breadstuffs during the year ending June 30. 1897, amounted to \$189,838,828 in value against \$136,846,845 in the fiscal year ending June 30, 1896, and \$110,965,758 ending June 30, 1896, and \$110,965,758 in the fiscal year ending June 30, 1895.

At a session of the Probate Court for the county of Barry, holden at the Probate Office, in the city of Hastings. In said county on Monday, the 19th day of July, in the year one thousand eight hundred and the proceeding year, and an area with the preceding year, and an area with the fiscal year ending June 30, 1896, and \$110,965,758 in the fiscal year ending June 30, 1896, and \$110,965,758 in the fiscal year ending June 30, 1896, and \$110,965,758 in the fiscal year ending June 30, 1895. pared with the preceding year, and an increase of \$79,000,000 compared with In the matter of the estate of John Whit-the year 1895. The exportations of cat-

Rawful heirs and entitled to inner respective tate of said deceased and their respective rights therein.

Thereupon it is ordered, that Monday, the 16th day of August, A. D., 1897, at ten o'clock in the forencon, be assigned for the hearing of said petition and that the heirs alw of said deceased and all other persons interested in said estate, are required to appear at a session of said Court, then to be holden at the probate office, in the city of flastings, in said county, and show cause, if sany there, be, why the prayer of the petitioner may not be granted. And it is furtiener ordered, that said petition and the hearing thereof, by causing a copy of this order to be published in the Middleville Sun, a newspaper printed and circulated in said estate, of the pendency of said petition and the hearing thereof, by causing a copy of this order to be published in the Middleville Sun, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county of Barry, once in each week for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing.

JAMES B. MILLS, Index of Probate. all the great grain-producing countries of the world have unusually light crops this year. Recent reports, it says, from Russia, Germany, France, and Hungary point to decreased wheat harvests, and that India will hardly supply her home demand, with like reports from Australia and Argentine, and adds: "This brings the United States to the front as a prominent wheat exporter under similar conditions to those which existed in 1879 over the revival succeeding the great panic aiter five or six years of retrenchment and economy." The same publication calls attention to the fact that during the month of June there was an advance in cotton, cotton-seed oil, tobacco, bacon, lard, rice, corn, oats, barley, peas, milk, wheat, and other farm

LEIGHTON LOCALS.

July 20-Emanuel Thede has had his new barn painted.

A few of the friends of Mrs, Geo, Willson gave her a very pleasant surprise last Friday afternoon. After having a good visit they were summoned to the dining-room where they were served to refreshments. At evening they returned to their homes, having had a pleasant time.

The West Leighton Aid society expect to picnic at Green lake Thursday. Mrs. Geo. Dexter and Mrs. Fidelia Willson of Middleville attended the surprise on Mrs. Geo. Willson.

The Japanese savants who think the world's greatest need is a new religion are mistaken; there are plenty of religions, but not enough men and women who live up to their teachings.

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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 Sist day of October, A. D. 1895, and recorded in the office of the register of deed for Barry county, Michigan, on the 1st day of November. A. D. 1895, in liber 47 of mortgages, on page 310, on which mortgage ther is claimed to be due at the date of this notice the sum of three thousand thirty-five and 4-100 dollars, and an attorney fee of thirty-ive dollars stipulated for in said mortgage all of said mortgage and is hereby declared due by said mortgage and is hereby declared due by said mortgage on the sist day of October, A. D. 1896, and by virtue of the authority contained in said mortgage to declare the same due of which the mortgage having been instituted, either at law or in quity to recover the moneys so secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof, now herefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is nereby 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 circuicourt for the courty of Barry is holden) on a turn of the courty of Barry is holden) on the redwards, the 1st day of August, A. D. 1897 at ten o'clock in the forenoon, the premised described in said mortgage as all those certain pieces or parcels of thirty-five dollars covenanted for in said mortgage.

The premises being described in said mortgage as all those certain pieces or parcels of thirty-five dollars covenanted for in said mortgage.

The premises being described in said mortgage as all those certain pieces or parcels of cland situate and being in the township of fhornapple in the county of Barry and state of Michigan and described as follows, to-wit: The premises being described and

Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale of Real Estate.

Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure
Sale of Real Estate.

Notice is hereby given that whereas default having been made in the conditions for payment as stipulated in a certain real state mortgage bearing date November ist day, A. D. 1877, lawfully made and executed by George Purdy and Emily G. Purdy, husband and wife, then both of Yankee Springs, darry county, state of Michigan, parties of the first part. to Willis R. Peake of Bristol. Addison county. Vermont, of the second part, as mortgagee who now owns the same, and which said mortgage was on the fifth day of November, A. D. 1877, at the hour of nine o'clock a. m. of said day duly recorded in the office of the register of deeds in and for the county of Barry in liber No. nine 9) of mortgages on page No. four hundred and twenty (420) now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale in said mortgage contained, which by reason of said default in payment as aforesaid hath become and now is operative, and by virtue of the statute law of the state of Michigan I shall on Friday, the first day of October, A. D. 1897, at the hour of ten 10) o'clock in the forenoon of said day, at the north front door of the court house in the city of Hastings in said Barry county where said land and premises so mortgaged are situated (said court house being the place where the circuit court within and for said Barry county is holden) offer for sale at public auction and vendue to the highest bidder for cash, the lands and premises described in aid mortgage or so much thereof as shall be necessary to satisfy the said mortgage indebtedness, together with all interest, costs, fees and charges to said date. The amount now claimed to be due thereon by me at this date is eight hundred and fifty dollars as principal and interest thereon from Hovember first day, A. D. 1894, at 8 per centium, per annum making one hundred and eighty-two and 78-100 dollars, total one thousand thirty-two and 78-100 dollars together with an attorney fee of thirty-five dollars stipulated therefor in said mortgages and th

more or less account thereof.

Dated July S. A. D. 1897.

WILLIS R. PEAKE,
Bristol, Addison Co., Vermont,
MILTON F 19apan,
Middleville, Mich.,
Attorney for Mortgagee.

27-13

Mortgage Sale,

Whereas, Detault 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 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 was an the feurth day of April,
A. D. 1891, at 5340 o'clock p. m., and which
said mortgage was on the feurth day of December. A. D. 1891, duly assigned by said second partles, Alfred Newman and Cora Newman, to Elipah Hounds of the township of Irving, Barry county, Michigan, and which said assign men to
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 af 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, new due.
The gum elaimed to be due at this date of
principal sum thereof due, and I hereby give
notice that at my said option declaring the whole
principal sum thereof due, and I hereby give
notice that at my said option lhave so declared the whole principal sum, together
with all arrearages of interest, new due.
The gum elaimed to be due at this date of
principal sign hundred 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 and
their

Dated June 9, A. D. 1807, ELIJAH ROUNDS, Assignee of Mortgagees.
MILTON F. JORDAN. Middleville, Mich.
Attorney for Assignee of Morgagees,
Middleville, Michigan.
23-18

JOHN CAMPBELL'S

SEMI-ANNUAL CLEARING Sale

Will Begin Saturday, July 24, And Close Saturday, August 7th, '97.

At this time we will sell our Entire Line of Spring and Summer Goods at astonishingly

LOW PRICES:

Dress Goods

\$1.00 Serges and Henriettas at

.20 mixed Novelty

.75 44 44 .50 40c .50 wool Novelty, latest patterns 38c .25 "

19c 10c

Wash Goods

25c imported Organdies 82c 20c Lace Mull 20c "Jaconets 62c 20c 10c Organdies 121c Dimities 10c Duck Suitings 12tc Perceles 15c 10c Ginghams Apron Ginghams

Lonsdale

20c All best Calicoes " 5c Prints Fruit of Loom 4-4 Cotton Lonsdale " " 71c A good 36 in. U. B. Cotton Best Banner LL Best Shirting 4c and 5c Best Outing Flannel

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Gents' Balbrigan Underwear The best steam shrunk 50c goods at 38c A good Elastic Ribbed 25c goods at 18c Twilled Jean Drawers at 19c

Ladies', Misses' and Children's Gauze and Jersey Underwear from 6c to 19c All sizes and styles

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Here we give you unheardof values from 30 cents to \$1.25 and Ladies' calico wrappers 55 cents to 85 cents.

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We have a nice line and will guarantee you a BIG SAVING

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On our counter will be found a box of

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On our counter will be found a box of Choice Ribbons at 3c per yd. and we will close the balance of those Choice Moire No. 30 at 6c

We are the acknowledged leaders in these goods. Don't fail to inspect our line. Once seen, you will be our customer.

ALL CARPETS, RUGS AND LACE CURTAINS AT ACTUAL COST.

Our Remnant Box will be loaded with irresistible bar- mings will be sold cheaper ready made Towels and Crash

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Comfortable Feet Produce Contented Minds.

\$3.50 Ladies' and Gents' at \$2,75 3.00 2.50 1.25 44 1.121 1.00 Ladies' Oxford Ties at .80

Misses', Children's and Infants' Shoes, of which we have a good line, will be sold at the same ratio

Don't fail to see our Remnant Shoe Counter which will be one of the most prominent features of this great sale.

As in the past, every effort will be made to make this sale one of the most PROFITABLE sales FOR YOU that has ever been made in our town,

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All Sugars at wholesale 10 ibs Rolled Oats 50c Tea best Japan 32c " which has no equal 9 Bars Lenox Soap All Package Coffees 13c, 2 for 25c Sun Gloss Starch Best Soda 570s best Crackers 25c Fine Cut, the best in town

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We have anything you want in this line.

The finest white and colored in laundered and unlaundered.

The best and the cheapest Work Shirts in the county.

Don't fail to see our Shirts.

You are personally invited to attend this sale and make our store your headquarters when in town. We will assure you a cordial greeting and give you Honest Values and Square Dealing.

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Saturday, July 24, Closing Saturday, Aug. 7, '97.

In order to make room for my fall stock I will sell goods cheaper than you ever saw them sold before. Come into my store during this sale and examine my stock and prices. They cannot be duplicated.



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Your	choice of	Ladies	,
\$1. 50 and	\$4.00 for		82.65
3.50 and	3.00 " \$	32.25 to	2.50
2.50		1.75 to	2.00
2.00	"	1.45 to	1.65
1.50	. 44		1.20
1.25	6.6		1.00
1.00	"		.80

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To convince you I will quote you a few prices. We have not raised the selling marks on our goods.

They are marked at their regular price and will drop as you find quoted below.

SHOES

SHOES

	Your choice of Men's			
Youths', Misses' and Chil-	\$3.00 and \$3	5.50 at		\$2,50
	2.50			2.00
dren's sold in same propor-	2.00	• 6	1.50 to	1.75
	1.50	44		1.25
tion.	1.25	"		1.00
	1.00			.80

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Men's \$4 and \$5 now \$3.25 '' 2.50 '' 1.75 '' 2.25 '' 1.65 '' 1.50 '' 1.20



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1-3 off Felt Hats of All Styles

Fine Shirts, working shirts, Overalls, Suspenders, Neckwear of all kinds, ladies' and children's Hose, gents' socks at cost. TERMS SPOT CASH OR EGGS IN EXCHANGE.

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MIDDLEVILLA THURSDAY, JULY 22, 1897.

Local Happenings. v>>>>>>>>>> Read B. A. Almy's large ad on first

Picnic with the Maccabees at Thorn-

apple lake next Thursday.

Farm of 140 acres for sale or rent. STATE BANK OF MIDDLEVILLE.

John Campbell and J. Schondelmayer have bills out announcing their annual clearing sales.

Banfield & Wilson have shipped live stock this week from Hudsonville, Dorr and this village.

J. D. Dietrich has exchanged his "Pelham" bicycle for Chris Schondelmayer's carriage horse.

Henry Masters has just completed a 6 ft. boat for M. M. Hodge which will soon be launched on Gun lake.

Cards are out announcing a harvest dance to take place at the Irving evaporator Wednesday evening, July 28, under the management of Will McCann.

"Pontiac Chief" and "Guy D." will trot at the fair ground in Hastings, Saturday August 14 for a purse of \$300 and the stallion championship of the

The case of the people vs. J. P. Ferguson for cutting down the line fence between his residence and the Cong'l church was before Justice Gallaspie of Hastings, Monday. He was bound over in the sum of \$200 bail and the case will probably be called in the September term of the circuit court.

The J. E. Ackerson Harness Co. is manufacturing a fine line of non-elastic suspenders for the trade. They are put up in neat boxes containing onehalf dozen each and bid fair to be in great demand. Those who have tried them say they are the easiest suspender they ever wore. The firm is also turning out a handsome line of ladies' and

Ed Lynd prides himself on producing the greatest fighting roosters in several counties, including a portion of upper Canada and he has an additional testimonial to substantiate his claim. On Wednesday evening last week a couple of these bellicose birds got out of their

Read both sides of the supplement. M. S. Keeler & Co. have bills out announcing their mid-summer clear-

play at the K. O. T. M. pionie to be week in the interest of the company. held at Thornapple lake in the near future.

Miss Mable Hanlon gave a party Monday evening in honor of her cousin, Ednah Herbert. A very enjoyable time was had and nice refreshments served.

A man and two dogs, evidently escaped from some traveling company or stranded by its disbanding, entertained the people on our streets with the performance of several feats renerves; but it was noticed that when cago, is visiting relatives and friends ne started to take up a collection the in the village. onlookers had urgent business else-

where. thorough birthday surprise at her home yesterday afternoon, carrying with them abundance of good things to eat and plenty of good cheer. Mrs. B. was busily engaged in the back part of the house and did not hear her intruders until some of them proceeded to where she was. Great was her surprise on reaching the parlor to find it completely filled with friends and neighbors, who had previously met at the home of Mrs. McArthur and marched over in a body. The after noon was spent in pleasant conversation and partaking of an elegant supper. Mrs. D. W. Johnson, in behalf of the which were received with thankfulness but almost too full for utterance. Truly from the heart did the mouth and again we feel that "Tis not the to Wayland. whole of life to live."

Dr. Wm. Brodie and cousin of David Grosfend, Xenia Thomas, Lena Gris-Brodie of this village, died Wednesday, wold and Bessie Fullagar expect to pic-Brodie of this yilfage, died wednesday, July 14, at the home of Dr. Benjamin P. Brodie, 64 Lafayette-ave. Detroit, aged 75 years. For nearly two years she had been totally blind. For ten weeks past she had been confined to her bed, but was not considered dantrouble was paralysis, and since Saturay she had not been conscious. Mrs. Barbour is in the best of health and has many friends here who are came to this country in the early fifties first living near Pontiac, where she married Dr. William Brodie. They married Dr. William Brodie. They seem afterward removed to Description. married Dr. William Brodie. They soon afterward removed to Detroit, where she had lived ever since. At different times she had been connected with various charitable in the same of the same she had been connected with various charitable in the same of the same she coop and the next morning were locked in the embrace of death. They died happy but hadn't evolved far in the locked happy but had locked happy but had locked happy but had locked had locked happy but had locked had lo frequent and open-handed assistance to line of brotherly love.—Charlotte Trib- trequent and open-nanged assistance to the unfortunates of whom she heard in McNair, Schaberg, Hochstein and Van connection with her husband's work. Zwaluwenburg.—Kalamazoo Telegraph.

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Mrs. Chas. W. Fenton is on the sick

Geo. C. Smith has resturned from

Bay City. Mrs. J. E. Ackerson is visiting rela-

tives in Lowell. Z. W. Whittemore was in Grand

Rapids on business, Frid ay. Olin Arney of Grand Rapids was in

the village awheel, Friday. Chet Benedict of Irving, is working in M. L. Matteson's bar bershop.

O. M. McLaughlin of Nashville, regstered Monday at the St. James.

Messrs. Earl Clark and Bert Griswold leave Saturday for Erie, Pa.

Miss Myrtle Green of Grand Rayids s the guest of friends in the village.

M. W. Bailey of Chicago is the guest of his sister, Mrs. Hamilton Carveth. John C. Smith of Rockford is spend-

ng a few days in and about the village. John Benedict of Irving, began work in French & Son's mill this morning.

Mrs. A. A. Matteson is spending a couple of days with friends in Grand

Mrs. John Colborn of Caledonia 17as the guest of Mrs. J. W. Armstrong, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tobias of Hastings were guests of Ed Blake and family over Sunday. Walter Brooks of Caledonia was in

the village last evening, the guest of his best girl. W. J. Clixby of Grand Rapids was

calling on friends in the village Sunday and Monday. J. L. Broughton and daughter, Libbie, of Lake Odessa were in the village

over Sunday. Milton M. Murphy of Hastings, was among those registered at the St. James Sunday.

Miss Elsie Smith of Grand Rapids, is visiting relatives and friends in and about the village.

Mr. and Mrs. Olmstead of Grand Rapids, were guests of his brother, J. N. and family last week.

Mrs. Martin and two children of Elgin, Ill., were guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Combs, Saturday.

Mrs. Perry Wiseman of Hastings was the guest of Mrs. M. A. Dietrich a couple of days last week. Misses May Toot of Grand Rapids

and Grace Matter of Saginaw are visitng their aunt, Mrs. W. S. Gibbs. Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Johnson of Grand

Repids were guests of the former's brother, Dwight Johnson, and family over Sunday. W. H. Peeps, designer for the Keeler

The Middleville Cornet band will Brass Co., was in Chicago part of last

Miss Florence McMillan of Jackson, is visiting her aunt and uncle Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Russell west of the village.

Mrs. Burnett of Grand Rapids, was the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Olmstead the first of the week. C. W. Tewksbury and wife have moved to Grand Rapids where he has

accepted a position in one of the flouring mills. Rollo Gibbs, who is a floor walker in quiring skill in the use of muscle and the Emporium millinery store of Chi-

Misses Mabel and Nettie Southwick and Bessie Fullagar drove over to Fifty ladies gave Mrs. W. A. Biss a Nashville Saturday for a few days' visit

with relatives and friends. Chas. Campbell left Tuesday evening, to visit his brother and family of Bay City. His nephew will return with him for an extended visit.

Mrs. R. T. French expects her sister, Miss Blanche Smith, and brother, Sidney, of Chicago next week to be with

them at their Gun lake cottage. Mrs. Lilly Waters and daughter Ida May and niece M. Miller of Graud Rapids, are guests at J. W. Armstrong's and other relatives in this

Sheriff S. C. Ritchie was in the villcompany, presented Mrs. Biss with a age Saturday subprenaing witnesses in nice table-cloth and a dozen napkins, the case of the people vs. J. P. Fergusalso a generous purse of silver, son over the line fence of the Congri society.

locality.

Miss Edna Herbert, who has been the guest of her cousin, Mabel Hanlon, respeak. Thus our lives are made happy turned to her home in Plainwell yesby the presence of good and true friends terday. Miss Mabel accompanied her

Misses Mabel Southwick, Vera Cobb, Mrs. Jane Whitfield Brodie, widow of Elsie Smith, Frona Carveth, Vera wold and Bessie Fullagar expect to picnic at Green lake tomorrow (strictly a hen party).

O. B. Barbour of Caledonia, Mich. arrived here Tuesday for a visit with gerously ill until two weeks ago. The his son, Dr. M. D. Barbour, family.

Mrs. Hill of Middleville on Thursday morning underwent an operation for cancer at the home of her daughter,

H. McKibbin was head surgeon and was assisted by Drs. John Fletcher,

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CYCLING ACCIDENT,

Miss Mamie Hinem Pall In Front of a Cosch.

Sunday afternoon Miss Mamie Himes, 168-Union street, Flushing, N. Y., and her ariend, Miss Melle Dunn. of Locust tireet, giels of fourteen and fifteen years, engaged two Clipper bicycles of Falilio Deffining and started for a ride out Jameica avenue. They met two cocches coming absent. Miss Dunn, who was riding ahead, pass of safely, but Miss Rines, as she asproached the team on the right, seemed to lose her control of her wheel. She mobiled for an instant, and then fell squarely in front of the screet. As she went off the wheel Miss Hines grasped the collar on the horse nearest the sidewalk, hung for an instant and then scramb led out of the view. Her clothing was torn, but she was not injured. Thomas Burke, driver of the coach, was not able to shipek the team instantly and the coach passed directly everthe Moyel, which was bent into almost an unrecogniz able mass of stell, rubber and wood. Strange as is any seem, though the frame of the machine was twisted that or shape which it would be impossible to describe, not a piece of the tubing mer one of the brazings was broken. Miss Hines was taken home in the coach, and aside from the severe fright wasmone the worse for the accident today.—Exchange.

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ENCOURACEMENT FOR SALES-MEN AND SALESWOMEN.

Rev. Talmage Preaches to a Mighty Hosts of Toilers-He Gives Good Advice for the Life that Now Is as Weil as for the Life to Come.

Our Washington Pulpit,

This sermon of Dr. Talmage addressed to the great host of clerks in stores and offices and factories will inspire such persons with healthful ambition and allay many of their annoyances. Text, Acts xvi., 14, "And a certain woman named Lydia, a seller of purple, of the city of Thyatira, which worshiped God, heard us, whose heart the Lord opened." Proverbs xxii., 29: "Seest thou a man diligent in his business? He shall stand before kings.

The first passage introduces to you Lydia, a Christian merchantess. Her business is to deal in purple cloths or silks. She is not a giggling nonentity, but a practical woman, not ashamed to work for her living. All the other women of Philippi and Thyatira have been forgotten, but God has made immortal in our text Lydia, the Christian saleswoman. The other text shows you a man with head and hand and heart and foot all busy toiling on up until he gains a prince ly success. "Seest thou a man diligent his business? He shall stand before kings.

Great encouragement in these two pas sages for men and women who will be busy, but no solace for those who are waiting for good luck to show them at the foot of the rainbow a casket of buried It is folly for anybody in this world to wait for something to turn up.

It will turn down. The law of thrift is as inexorable as the law of the tides. Fortune, the magician, may wave her wand in that direction until castles and palaces come, but she will after awhile invert the same wand, and all the splendors will vanish into thin air.

There are certain styles of behavior which lead to usefulness, honor and permanent success, and there are certain styles of behavior which lead to dust, dishonor and moral default. I would like to fire the ambition of young people. I have no sympathy with those who would pre-pare young folks for life by whittling down their expectations. That man or woman will be worth nothing to church or state who begins life cowed down, The business of Christianity is not to quench but to direct human ambition. Therefore it is that I utter words of encouragement to those who are occupied as clerks in the stores and shops and banking houses of the country. They are not an exceptional class. They belong to a great company of tens of thousands who are in this country, amid circumstances which will make or break them for time and for eternity. Many of these people have already achieved a Christian manliness and Christian womanliness which will be their passport to any position. I have seen their trials. I have watched their perplexities. There are evils abroad which need to be hunted down and dragged out into the neonday light.

Only a Schoolroom,

In the first place, I counsel clerks to re member that for the most part their clerkship is only a school from which they are to be graduated. It takes about eight years to get into one of the learned professions. It takes about eight years to get to be a merchant. Some of you will be clerks all your lives, but the vast majority of you are only in a transient position. After awhile some December day the head men of the firm will call you into the back office, and they will say to you: "Now, you have done well by us. We are going to do well by you. We invite you to have an interest in our concern." You will bow to that edict very gracefully. Getting into a street car to go home an old comrade will meet you and say, "What makes you look so happy to-night?" "Oh," you will say, "nothing, nothing!" But in a few days your name will blossom on the sign. Either in the store or bank where you are now, or in some other store or bank, you will take a higher position than that which you now ocupy. So I feel I am now addressing people who will yet have their hand on the helm of the world's commerce and you will turn it this way or porters, insurance company directors. shippers, contractors, superintendents of railroads--your voice mighty "on 'change' -standing foremost in the great financial and religious enterprises of the day. For though we who are in the professions may on the platform plead for the philanthro pies, after all, the merchants must come forward with their millions to sustain the

Be therefore patient and diligent in this transient position. You are now where you can learn things you can never learn in any other place. What you consider your disadvantages are your grand oppor-tunity. You see an affluent father some day come down a prominent street with his son who has just graduated from the university and establishing him in business, putting \$50,000 of capital in the ness, putting \$50,000 or capital in the store. Well, you are envious. You say, "Oh, if I only had a chance like that young man—if I only had a father to put \$50,000 in a business for me, then I would have some chance in the world." Be not envious. You have advantages over that young man which he has not over you. As well might I come down to the docks when a vessel is about to sail for paraiso and say, "Let me pilot this ship out to sea." Why, I would sink crew and cargo before I got out of the harbor simply because I know nothing about pilotage. Wealthy sea captains put their sons before the mast for the reason that they know it is the only place where they can learn to be successful sailors. It is only under drill that people get to under stand pilotage and navigation, and I want you to understand that it takes no more skill to conduct a vessel out of the harbor and across the sea than to steer a commercial establishment clear of the rocks. You see every day the folly of people go ing into a business they know nothing about. A man makes a fortune in one business, thinks there is another occupa tion more comfortable, goes into it and sinks all. Many of the commercial establishments of our cities are giving their clerks a mercantile education as thorough as Yale or Harvard or Princeton are giving scientific attainment to the students matriculated. The reason there are so many men foundering in business from year to year is because their early mercantile education was neglected. Ask the men in high commercial circles, and they will tell you they thank God for this severe discipline of their early clerkship.

You can afford to endure the wilderness march if it is going to end in the vine-yards and orchards of the promised land.

But you say, "Will the womanly clerks in our stores have promotion?" Yes. Time is coming when women will be as well paid for their toil in mercantile circles as men are now paid for their toil. Time is coming when a woman will be allowed to do anything she can do well. It is only a little while ago when women knew nothing of telegraphy, and they were kept out of a great many commercial circles where they are now welcome, and the time will go on until the woman who at one counter in a store sells \$5,000 worth of goods in a year will get as high a salary as the man who at the other counter of the same store sells \$5,000 worth of goods. All honor to Lydia, the Christian saleswoman!

Discipline.

The second counsel I have to give to clerks is that you seek out what are the lawful regulations of your establishment and then submit to them. Every well ordered house has its usages. In military life, on ship's deck, in commercial life, there must be order and discipline. Those people who do not learn how to obey will never know how to command. I will tell you what young man will make ruin, financial and moral. It is the young man who thrusts his thumb into his vest and says: "Nobody shall dictate to me. I am my own master. I will not submit to the regulations of this house." Between an establishment in which all the employes are under thorough discipline and the establishment in which the employes do about as they choose is the difference between success and failure, between rapid accumulation and utter bankruptcy. Do not come to the store ten minutes after the time. Be there within two seconds, and let it be two seconds before instead of two seconds after. Do not think any thing too insignificant to do well. Do not "It's only just once." From the say, most important transaction in commerce down to the particular style in which you tie a string around a bundle obey orders. Do not get easily disgusted. While others in the store may lounge or fret or complain, you go with ready hands and cheer ful face and contented spirit to your work. When the bugle sounds, the good soldier asks no questions, but shoulders

for the command of "March!" Do not get the idea that your interests and those of your employer are antago-nistic. His success will be your honor. His embarrassment will be your dismay. Expose none of the frailties of the firm. Tell no store secrets. Do not blab. Rebuff those persons who come to find out from clerks what ought never to be known outside the store. Do not be among those young men who take on a mysterious air when something is said against the firm that employs them, as much as to say, "I could tell you something if I would, but I won't." Do not be among those who imagine they can build themselves up by pulling somebody else down. Be not ashamed to be a subaltern.

his knapsack, fills his canteen and listens

Again, I counsel clerks to search out what are the unlawful and dishonest demands of an establishment and resist them. In the 6,000 years that have passed there has never been an occasion when it was one's duty to sin against God. It is never right to do wrong. If the head men of the firm expect of you dishonesty, disappoint them. "Oh," you say, "I should lose my place then." Better lose your place than lose your soul. But you will not lose your place. Christian heroism is always honored. You go to the head man of your store and say: "Sir, I want to serve you, I want to oblige you. It is from no lack of industry on my part, but this thing seems to me to be wrong, and it is a sin against my conscience, it is a sin against God, and I beg you, sir, to excuse me." He may flush up and swear, but he will cool down, and he will have more admiration for you than for those who submit to his evil dictation, and while they sink you will rise. Do not because of seeming temporary advantage give up your character.

Annoyances

Again, I counsel all clerks to conquer the trials of their particular position. One great trial for clerks is the inconsideration of customers. There are people who are entirely polite everywhere else, but gruff and dictatorial and contemptible when they come into a store to buy anything. There are thousands of men and women who go from store to store to price things without any idea of purchase. until e roll of goods is brought down and they have pointed out all the real or imaginary defects. They try on all kinds of kid gloves and stretch them out of shape, and they put on all styles of Coak and walk to the put on an styles of some and wank to the mirror to see how they look, and then they sail out of the store, saying, "I will not take it to-day," which means, "I don't want it at all," leaving the clerk amid a wreck of ribbons and laces and cloths to smooth out \$1,000 worth of goods, not a cent of which did that man or woman buy or expect to buy. Now, I call that a dis-honesty on the part of the customer. If a boy runs into a store and takes a roll of cloth off the counter and sneaks out into the street, you all join in the cry pellmell, "Stop thief!" When I see you go into a store not expecting to buy anything, but to price things, stealing the time of the clerk and stealing the time

of his employer, I say, too, "Stop thief!"

If I were asked which class of persons most need the grace of God amid their annoyances, I would say, "Dry goods All the indignation of customers about the high prices comes on the clerk. For instance, a great war comes. The manufactories are closed. The people go off to battle. The price of goods runs up. A customer comes into a store. Goods have gone up. "How much is that worth?" "A dollar." "A dollar? Outrageous! A dollar!" Why, who is to blame for the fact that it has got to be a dollar? Does the indignation go out to the manufacturers on the banks of the Merrimac because they have closed up? No. Does the indignation go out toward the employer who is out at his country No. It comes on the clerk. got up the war. He levied the taxes. He

puts up the rents. Of course the clerk! Then a great trial comes to clerks in the fact that they see the parsimonious side of human nature. You talk about lies hehind the counter-there are just as many

lies before the counter. Bad Employers.

Then there are all the trials which come to clerks from the treatment of inconsid-There are professed erate employers. Christian men who have no more regard for their clerks than they have for the scales on which the sugars are weighed. A clerk is no more than so much store No consideration for their rights or interests. Not one word of encouragement from sunrise to sunset, nor from January to December, but when

the counter or a box with the cover off-thunder showers of scolding. Men imperious, capricious, cranky toward their clerks, their whole manner as much as to say, "All the interest I have in you is to see what I can get out of you." Then there are all the trials of incompetent wages, not in such times as these, when if a man gets half a salary for his ser vices he ought to be thankful, but I mean in prosperous times. Some of you remem ber when the war broke out and all mer chandise went up and merchants were made millionaires in six months by the simple rise in the value of goods. Did the clerks get advantage of that rise? Some times; not always. I saw estates gather ed in those times over which the curse of God has hung ever since. The cry of unpaid men and women in those stores reached the Lord of Sabaoth, and the indignation of God has been around those establishments ever since, flashing in the chandeliers, glowing from the crimson up holstery, rumbling in the long roll of the tenpin alley. Such men may build up palaces of merchandise heaven high, but after awhile a disaster will come along and will put one hand on this pillar and another hand on that pillar and throw itself forward until down will come the whole structure, crushing the worshipers as grapes are mashed in the wine press.

Then there are boys ruined by lack of compensation. In how many prosperous stores it has been for the last twenty years that boys were given just enough money to teach them how to steal. Some were seized upon by the police. The vast majority of instances were not known. A lad might better starve to death on a blasted heath than take one farthing from his employer. Woe be to that employer who unnecessarily puts a temptation in a boy's way,

Good Employers. Oh, what a contrast between those men and Christian merchants who to-day are sympathetic with their clerks, when they pay the salary, acting in this way: "This salary that I give you is not all my interest in you. You are an immortal man; you are an immortal woman. I am interested in your present and your everlasting welfare. I want you to understand that if I am a little higher up in this store I am beside you in Christian sympathy.' Go back forty or fifty years to Arthur Tappan's store in New York, a man whose worst enemies never questioned his hon-esty. Every morning he brought all the clerks, and the accountants, and the weighers into a room for devotion. They sang, they prayed, they exhorted. On Monday morning the clerks were asked where they had attended church on the previous day and what the sermons were about. It must have sounded strangely that voice of praise along the streets where the devotees of Mammon were counting their golden beads. You say Arthur Tappan failed. Yes, he was unfortunate, like a great many good men, but I understand he met all his obligations before he left this world, and I know that he died in the peace of the gospel and that he is before the throne of God to-day, forever blessed. If that be failing, I wish you might all fail.

There are a great many young men and young women who want a word of en-couragement, Christian encouragement. One smile of good cheer would be worth more to them to-morrow morning in their places of business than a present of \$15,-000 ten years hence.

The Final Lesson.

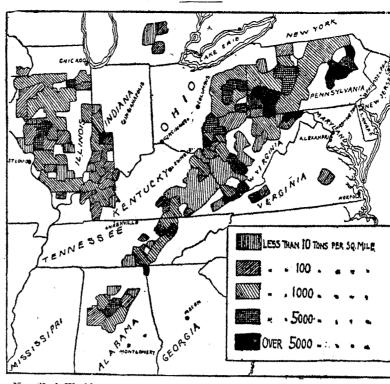
My word is to all clerks-be mightier than your temptations. A Sandwich Islander used to think when he slew an enemy all the strength of that enemy came into his own right arm. And I have to tell you that every misfortune you conquer is so much added to your own moral power. With omnipotence for a lever and the throne of God for a fulcrum you can move earth and heaven. While there are other young men putting the cup of sin to their lips, you stoop down and drink out of the fountains of God and you will rise up strong to thrash the mountains. O young man, while you have goods to sell, remember you have a soul to save!

After the last store has been closed, after the last bank has gone down, after the shuffle of the quick feet on the custom house steps has stopped, after the long line of merchantmen on the sea have tak-en sail of flame, after Washington and New York and London and Vienna have gone down into the grave where Thebes and Babylon and Tyre lie buried, after the great fire bells of the judgment day that day all the affairs of banking houses and stores will come up for inspection. Oh, what an opening of account books! Side by side the clerks and the men who employed them. Every invoice made out, all the labels of goods, all certificates of stock, all the lists of prices, all private marks of the firm, now explained so everybody can understand them. All the maps of cities that were never built, but in which lots were sold. All bargains, all gongings, all snap judgments, all false entries, all adulteration of liquors with copperas and strychnine. All mixing of teas and sugars and coffees and syrups with cheaper material. All embezzle ments of trust funds. All swindles in coal and iron and oil and silver and stocks. Or that day, when the cities of this world are smoking in the last conflagration, the trial will go on, and down in an avalanche of destruction will go those who wronged man or woman, insulted God and defied the judgment. Oh, that will be a great day for you, honest Christian clerk! No getting up early, no retiring late, no walking around with weary limbs, but a mansion in which to live and a realm of light and love and joy over which to hold everlasting dominion. Hoist him up from glory to glory, and from song to song, and from throne to throne, for, while others go down into the sea with their gold like a millstone hanging to their neck, this one shall come up the heights of ame-thyst and alabaster, holding in his right hand the pearl of great price in a spark ling, glittering, flaming casket.

Divine Justice.-The very moment that the majority of the citizens of a community choose to get their living by selling shoddy goods, by lying advertisements, and skillfully transferring to their pockets the wealth that other people have produced, and prefer wealth even of tainted money rather than a crust with a spotless integrity, that moment, if there is a divine justice in the world, that justice is pledged to accomplish industrial overthrow.-Rev. W. D. Hillis, Independent, Chicago, Ill.

The worthiest people are the most injured by scandal, as we usually find that to be the best fruit which the birds have been pecking at.

BITUMINOUS COAL REGIONS EAST OF THE MISS'SSIPPI RIVER.



-New York World.

REPUBLICAN CLUBS MEET.

Tenth Annual Meeting of the League Held in Detroit.

The tenth annual convention of the National League of Republican Clubs opened its session Tuesday morning in the Auditorium at Detroit. The building was brilliantly decorated with bunting and portraits of McKinley, Harrison, Lincoln and Washington. The seats in the hall were divided into sections for the different States. Ohio, Missouri, Vermont, Wyoming, New Hampshire, California, Michigan, New York, Wisconsin, Maryland and Florida occupied the central section; Indiana, Delaware, Pennsylvania, Indiana, Georgia, North and South Carolina, Kansas, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Maine and Connecticut were grouped on the left and Illinois, Iowa, North and South Da kota, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada Utah, Minnesota, Kentucky, Texas, Louisiana, Tennessee, East and West Virginia and Alabama on the right.

There were fully 1,500 delegates pres

ent, and twice as many spectators, which included the Tippecanoe Club of Cleveland and the McKinley Club of Dayton,

President Woodmansee called the convention to order at 10:30 o'clock. In his annual address he upheld a protective tarthe gold standard, the unfurling of the American flag over Hawaii, and the Cuban strife for independence. He referred to the fact that the league was free from debt and on a splendid basis.

Gov. Pingree of Michigan and Col. Duffield of Detroit clashed in their speeches of welcome. Gov. Pingree made a speech, giving corporations a rap, and suggested that the convention do something to help the coal miners on strike. Col. Duffield, who followed, said that men who tried to foment strife between capital and labor were dangerous.

The speech of welcome delivered by President Dingley in behalf of the Michigan State League introduced to the convention the son of the framer of the new

Appointment of committees, reports of officers and routine work occupied the morning session. The afternoon was devoted largely to State caucuses.

At the mass meeting Tuesday night the speakers were Charles Emory Smith of Philadelphia, Webster Davis of Kansas City, Mo., John R. Tanner of Illinois, ex-United States Senator Brown of Utah and George Barnes of Oklahoma.

BIMETALLIC MISSION A FAILURE

Americans Said to Have Made Little

Headway in Europe.

A dispatch to the New York World from London says that the bimetallic commission is one of absolute failure. The general impression among those in a position to know is that the reports of success in France have been circulated in heat must have amounted to many thouorder to reconcile the American public to the expenditure of large sums of money

without result.

The principal Paris newspapers have referred to the commission in terms which, while conforming to the rules of artificial Gallic courtesy, have been not far from ridicule. Le Temps calls at-tention to the fact that while France objects to spending the money necessary to improve her navy, the United States has money enough to spend uselessly on a commission intrusted with an impossible mission and costing the taxpayers \$500,-

M. Hanotaux himself is authority for the statement that the mission absolutely failed and could not be accomplished by anyone. He speaks highly of the members of the commission personally, but re-Cases to take the bimetallic scheme seriously. He smiles at the statement that France would stand shoulder to shoulder with the United States in efforts to bring about international bimetallism.

TURKEY'S CRUELTY IS MERCY

Compared to the Savage Sway Butcher Weyler in (uba.

Revolution within revolution has brok-en out in unfortunate Cuba. In Matanzas few days since over 2,000 reconcentrados, or people who had been forced by Weyler to abandon their homes in the country and live in fortified towns, where they are dying of starvation and disease, paraded the streets depending bread. Many houses were looted before the authorities could quell the unfortunate peo-

From various parts of the island horrible reports of the sufferings of the people are being received. At the town of Guines, in Havana province, over 1,500 deaths have occurred within six weeks and nine-tenths of the victims were reconcentrados, native Cubans, driven in from their estates by Weyler's bands to starve by degrees within Spanish lines.

From Madruga upward of 100 deaths per week are reported among local reconcentrados. Whole families have succumbed, one by one, to starvation or epidemic disease.

A newspaper says that in the neighboring Santa Clara town of Zulueta, among the local reconcentrados starving in the streets, there are hundreds of native Cuban women and children in a perfectly of the year. Prayer meetings have been nude state. The rainy season having becalled.

gun, the roofless reconcentrados are reported dying daily in this little Santa Clara outpost, their bodies being removed by night and burned on the village outskirts.

In the Santa Clara village of Jicoteau hunger is so great among the floating reconcentrado population that mothers are being accused of strangling their half-grown children to hush their cries for bread and stop their sufferings.

At Viegas de Palma 1,600 reconcentrados are huddled in the local plaza, under a tropical sun, without any shelter whatver, the women and children sleeping upon the bare ground and exposed to drenching rains. Each day a dead cart passes and takes eight to ten victims of smallpox, fever or starvation away to the

A PLAGUE OF HEAT.

Recent Torrid Spell Has Been as Bad as a Visitation of Cholera.

The heated term through which the country has just passed has been as destructive of life as a visitation of the cholera or yellow fever might have been. The features which have made it exceptional are the large extent of country affected, its long continuance without interruption and the fact that the nights have been almost as hot as the days. Almost every summer the temperature gets up into the nineties in some localities, and may remain there for two or three days with partial relief at night. In the recent case the whole Mississippi valley was affected and the high temperature continued without interruption for more than a week, and with very little relief at night. These conditions combined to increase the number of fatalities. Of these there have been several hundred reported in the news columns. Cincinnati alone reports sixty deaths from sunstroke during seven days. But probably not more than 10 per cent of the cases get into the newspapers. The reports come only from the cities and towns where there is telegraphic communication and a news re porter. There are hundreds of small towns and villages which have made no reports, and the rural districts have not been heard from at all. Throughout a large extent of country harvesting has been going on, and while farmers, as a are not as liable to be prostrated by heat as dwellers in cities, many of

and of infants, which, though reported under other causes, were due as directly to the heat as if they had occurred from

NOTED BALL PLAYER.

them must have succumbed to the torrid heat of the last week. The population of

the farming districts greatly outnumbers,

in the aggregate, that of the cities and towns, and must have furnished its pro-

portion of fatalities. To all these must be added the deaths of very aged persons

sunstroke. So it is evident the total num-

ber of deaths attributable directly to the

Fred Pfeffer Leaves the Chicago Team

for All Time.
In the release of Fred Pfeffer the Chicago ball team loses one of its most noteworthy characters and one of the best players who ever wore a Chicago uniform. During the days when the game was young and the Chicagos had things their own way, Pfeffer was one of the members of the famous "Stonewall Infield," and



FRED PFEFFER.

with the exception of Anson he is the last of the men forming that combination to serve on the team. It is not known whether he will seek another position in the National League or not. Pfeffer was one of the leaders in the Brotherhood movement and felt much disappointed over its failure.

DECIDE TO TRY PRAYER.

Members of the W. C. T U. Must Raise \$250,000 by January.

The efficacy of prayer is to be tried by

the Woman's Christian Temperance Union in the matter of raising the \$250,000 necessary to clear the Woman's Temple in Chicago from debt.

Should the debt not be paid before January next the building, it is said, will pass into the hands of Marshall Field. The amount owed is about \$300,000, and of this Mr. Field has promised to give \$50. 000 if payment is made before the first

Where will Mr. Debs locate his co-operative scheme and whence the millions necessary to carry it into effect?-Minneapolis Press.

Mr. Eugene Debs' scheme for a co-operative commonwealth is amply supplied with brains. All that it needs now is some ready cash and a few properly adjusted weights to keep the thing balanced.- Philadelphia Press.

Many reople who are longing for a new Utopia will read with interest the prospectus of Mr. Debs' proposed new colony, and, when they come to the names of the principal Utopians, will conclude not to join.-Philadelphia Ledger.

If the scheme now proposed by Eugene Debs ever gets beyond the point of a newspaper advertisement for its promoter it will quickly dispose of the demagogic notions now used to stimulate class prejudice. -Bangor Whig and Courier.

Of course this crazy undertaking will fail. The evil that we fear is intended will not develop, but out of it all good will come, for the folly of provoking discontent in America will be once more made piain.-Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

When Mr. Debs comes to organize his commonwealth he will find a marked preference upon the part of all to be leaders, ecturers, legislators, etc. Marching men across the continent will not rid them of the universal hankering after an earning of bread in the sweat of other people's faces.-Terre Haute Gazette.

If Mr. Debs does not find any suitable location for his colony in the Western States let him not be discouraged. He can go right on out into the Pacific and pre-empt an island. The more remote the sland the more the scheme will commend itself to his fellow citizens who remain behind .- Grand Rapids Herald.

Associated with Debs in his co-operative commonwealth scheme is a college professor from Boston and three or four other dreamers and enthusiasts, who believe that it is the true and only way to solve the industrial and economic problems now confronting the country and better the conditions of the masses of the people.-- New Orleans States.

The Miners' Strike.
The condition of the labor market is certainly against the strikers, for many idle men are eager to take the places of the strikers for the poor wages they have refused .-- Toronto Globe.

The fuse has been lighted, and it is the general julgment that a terrific explosion will speedily follow unless the heel of friendly intervention shall promptly be brought down on the sputtering powder.-New York Journal.

The strike of the coal miners is not likey to have any other result than to make the last state of the operatives worse than the first. Circumstances entirely apart from the grievances of the miners point to that conclusion.—New York Tribune.

The hope is general that some sort of an agreement may be reached by which sufferings that must attend a long strike may be averted until improved conditions in the coal trade will enable the miners to secure what they deserve, fair living vages.—Wheeling Intelligencer.

If the strike shall last ten weeks and the miners then gain the increase of 18 per cent demanded, it would require them to work for fifty-five weeks at the increased rates to restore the loss they sustain by ten weeks of idleness. This is not theory; it is stubborn facts .- Philadelphia $_{
m Times.}$

It is unfortunate that the miners are compelled by their own miserable condition to select the most unfavorable time of the year and a most unfavorable year. It is to be hoped that they will abide by their very sensible pledges to refrain from disorder and to maintain respect for law. In that way alone can they hope to succeed.—New York World.

It is in the power of Congress and the President to arrest this gigantic strike, hardly yet begun, by offering arbitration to the laborers and capitalists facing each other for a struggle the anticipated accompaniments of which fill with dread every intelligent man acquainted with the history of great strikes and informed as to the special conditions that prevail in the coal mining regions.—New

No class of laborers enlists as instant and as hearty sympathy as do the coal miners. The most of their life is spent in low, grimy, dimly lighted caverns at severe and monotonous toil. Time ought soon to come when only convicts and the utter failures and incompetents will be condemned to this sunless and joyless life of the mines. Meanwhile every uplifting force in our social system ought to be directed to aiding the miners to get decent wages and improved conditions of working and living.—Exchange.

In General.

The United States might possibly be able to get along without Hawaii for s little while if it tried to do so .-- Omaha

The widow Ruiz takes a sensible view of the case when she asks for indemnity first and vengeance afterward.—Detroit

When Greece determined to take her chances with the powers, rather than to continue fighting Turkey, the fat got into the fire.—San Francisco Post.

Now Venezuela and England can sit down in peace and argue about the Schomburgk line. Uncle Sam has made arbitration successful.—Chicago Post. The average recipient of the honorary

degree "doctor of laws," may thank his lucky stars that his acceptance of it is not conditioned upon his passing the freshman entrance examination.—Chicago Times-Herald.

While he isn't saying anything about it. his royal highness Albert Edward thinks that sixty years' reign bears entirely too much resemblance to a civil service deluge.-Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

At such a season as the present it would pe nothing less than inhuman in the Prince of Wales to do anything calculated e discourage the neglige shirt and the suspenderless trouser.—Washington Star.
On July 1 Philadelphians clipped off

\$9,000,000 of coupons. They have been holding some kind of big doings all the year. The Quakers are a thrirty set, and earn their money .- Chicago Inter Ocean.

Tells Her Experience With Ovaritis.

A dull, throbbing pain, accompanied by a sense of tenderness and heat low down in the side, with an occasional shooting pain, indicates inflammation.

On examination it will be found that the region of pain shows some swelling. This is the first stage of ovaritis, inflammation of the ovary. If the roof of your house leaks, my sister, you have it fixed at once; why not pay the same respect to your own body?

Do you live miles away from a doctor? Then that is all the more reason why you should attend to yourself at once, or you will soon be on the flat

of your back. You need not, you oughtnot to let yourself go, when one of your own sex holds out the help-

ing hand to you, and will advise you without money and without price. Write to Mrs. Pinkham, Lynn, Mass., and tell her all your symptoms. Her experience in treating female ills is greater than any other living per-

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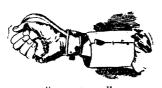
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TYPEWRITER'S EXERCISER.

Device Intended to Prevent Paralysis

Typewriters everywhere, be they pretty or otherwise-of course, none are otherwise—will be gratified at learning that they need no longer suffer from that bothersome complaint known as typewriters' cramp. Robert Barclay, an inventor, residing in the quaint old city of Green Bay, Wis., has contrived a simple little machine which, when used by the typewriter, counteracts the effect of the work on the machine, and so prevents that form of paralysis, of which cramped fingers and a numbness of the hands are the first invariable symptoms.

Many a pretty typewriter, otherwise a perfect type of womanhood, bemoans the fact that her daily work over the



keyboard of the machine has apparently ruined the shape of her fingers and given to what was originally a long, slender, well-formed hand an unnatural thickness and blunted the fingers. besides ruining the mails.

The practical value of Mr. Barclay's nvention having been demonstrated, the wonder is it was not thought of before. In appearance this "exerciser," as the inventor calls it, resembles a small, oval-shaped rubber bulb, which just fits into the hand. A short rubber tube extends from one end of the bulb to a rubber band, which is fastened about the wrist. This band is double and the outer band is punctured with numerous small holes which allow the air within the bulb to escape when the hand is closed. When the hand is opened the air is withdrawn into the bulb, and the exercise consists in openng and closing the fingers of the hand, the muscular action required to force the air from the bulb giving the necessary exercise.

A Baker's Dozen.

Jan Pietersen Van Amsterdam (we only give part of his name) kept a bake shop in Albany. Good churchman though he was, the bane of his life was fear of being bewitched, and to keep out evil spirits he primed himself with an extra glass of spirits on the last night of 1654. His sales had been brisk, and as he sat in his little shop meditating on the gains he would make on the morrow he was startled by a sharp rap, and an ugly woman

"Give me a dozen New Year's cook-

es," she cried, in a shrill voice. "Vell, den, you needn' sbeak so loud,"

said Jan; "I aind teaf, den." "A dozen!" she screamed. "Give me a dozen. Here are only twelve." "Vell, den, dwalf is a dozen."

"One more! I want a dozen."

"Vell, den, if you vant anodder, go to de duyvil and ged it." The hag took him at his word, at

least she left the shop, and from that time it seemed that the baker man was bewitched, for his cakes were stolen, his bread was so light it went up the chimney or was so heavy that it fell through the oven; his wife became deaf and his children went wild and his trade went elsewhere. Three times the old woman returned, and each time was sent anew to the devil. At last, in despair, the baker called on St. Nicholas to help him. In a moment the veu-erable patron of Dutch feasts sat before him advising the trembling man to be more generous in the future. After a lecture on charity he vanished, and the old woman appeared in his place. She repeated her demand for more cake and Pietersen gave it, whereupon she exclaimed: "The spell is broken; from this time on a dozen is thirteen." Then taking from the counter a ginger-bread effigy of St. Nicholas, she made the astonished Dutchman lay his hand upon it and swear to give more liberal measure in the future, and since that time thirteen has been called a baker's dozen.-What to Eat,

Does the icing of the cake persist in running down the sides, when you especially desire it to stand firm at the edge? To prevent this in the future double a piece of oiled paper about three inches wide and pin it closely around the cake, letting the band come half an inch above the cake. With this arrangement a cake may be frosted evenly, and with a thick, firm layer to its edge. Do not remove the band of paper until the frosting is thoroughly dry.

of the Fingers.

WORK OF OUR NATIONAL LAW-

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

MAKERS.

The National Solons. A discussion of Union Pacific Railroad

ffairs occupied the attention of the Senate Monday. The deficiency appropriation bill was taken up early in the day and Mr. Morgan proposed an amendment lesigned to prevent the consummation of an agreement made some time since for the settlement of the Government's claims against the road. Mr. Morgan spoke throughout the day, severely arraigning the Pacific railroad managers. Late in the day the entire subject was disposed of by the withdrawal of the paragraph to which Mr. Morgan had offered his amendment. The deficiency appropriation bill was not completed up to the time of adjournment,

The price to be paid for armor plate for the three new battle-ships now in course of construction was the theme of extended and at times lively debate in the Senate Tuesday. Late in the day an amendment to the deficiency appropriation bill was agreed to restricting the price of armor plate to \$300 per ton, or \$125 less than the amendment reported by the committee and recommended by the navy department as the minimum rate acceptable to the armor contractors. Another amendment inserted in the bill directed the Secretary of the Navy to investigate as to the establishment of a government armor factory and to report to the next session of Congress. Then the deficiency appropriation bill, the last of the great supply measures, was passed. The House took a recess for one day without transacting any business. The Senate was in a deadlock for sev-

eral hours Wednesday, with business at s standstill, while calls of the Senate roll calls and other parliamentary expedients were resorted to. It was due to the effort to secure action on the resolutions of Mr. Harris of Kansas, designed to prevent the disposal of the Government lien on the Union Pacific Railway under the terms of an alleged agreement. No final vote on the motion was secured. It finally went over. In the House Mr. Henderson of Iowa asked unanimous consent for the consideration of a joint resolution to permit the erection of a temporary studio on the future site of the statue of Gen. Sherman, for the erection of which a contract has been made. The resolution was adopted. Mr. Cannon moved non-concurrence in the Senate amendment to the general deficiency bill. The motion prevailed, and Messrs. Can-non, Northway and Sayers were appointed conferees.

Mr. Stewart moved in the Senate Thursday a reconsideration of the action of the Senate in passing the resolution directing the Secretary of War to proeed in the construction of a breakwater at San Pedro, Cal. It reopened the longtanding controversy over the location of deep water harbor on the Pacific coast and led to an exciting debate between Mr. Stewart and Mr. White of California. The motion to reconsider was disagreed to. Mr. Thurston, chairman of the Committee on International Expositions, secured the passage of the joint resolution accepting the invitation of the French republic to take part in the international exposition at Paris in 1900. Mr. Tillman secured the passage of the bill in relation to the interstate transportation of dis-tilled spirits and declaring such spirits to be subject to State laws to the same extent as spirits distilled in the State. The House did nothing.

In the Senate Friday the Harris reso lution relating to the Union Pacific Railroad was further discussed. The conference report on the deficiency appropriation bill was considered. Mr. Hale said the price of armor plate was not included in the report. Nothing had been done on that subject except that the Senate conferees had stated positively that the Senate would not consider any sum over \$300 for armor. The report was agreed to and a further conference ordered. Mr. Morgan secured the adoption of a resolution requesting the President for information as to the arrest of Alfred O. H. Hugnet, a citizen of the United States, by the Spanish authorities at Havana Sept. 6, 1896. On motion of Mr. Pettigrew of South Dakota the bill was passed to give the consent of Congress to a compact entered into between the States of South Dakota and Nebraska respecting the boundary between said States. House agreed to the partial conference report on the general deficiency bill and then concurred in the Senate amendment fixing the limit of cost of armor plate for the three battle-ships now building at \$300 per ton.

How Fast.

This sounds as if it came from the variety stage. But as a matter of fact, it is history, for occasionally funny things do happen in the courts besides the lawvers.

It was in a negligence case recently and a good-humored Irishman was a witness.

The Judge, lawyers and everybody else were trying their best to extract from the Irishman something about the speed of a train.

'Was it going fast?" asked the Judge. "Aw, yis, it were," answered the wit-

"How fast?"

"Oh, purty fasht, yer Honor."

"Well, how fast?"

"Aw, purty fasht."

"Was it as fast as a man can run?" "Aw, yis," said the Irishman, glad that the basis for an analogy was supplied. "As fasht as two min kin run." -Buffalo Enquirer.

A Bill to Match. The Jersey Boniface-Did that fellow

pay for his room in advance? The Clerk-Yes, but he kicked at the size of the bill-said it was out of all

proportion. The Jersey Boniface-Then unchain my pet mosquito!-Truth.

Feminine Repartee. She—Of course, you all talked about me as soon as I left? Her-No, dear; we thought you had

attended to that sufficiently-Tit-Bits.

BICYCLE FIGURES.

SENATE AND HOUSE. Some Interesting Facts Regarding the Output of Crescent Bicycles in 1896 by the Western Wheel Works, of Chicago, Ill.

The idea of this article is to convey to the reader a conception of the enormous amount of raw material consumed during amount of raw material consumed during a season in supplying the demand for one of the most popular bicycles made. The Western Wheel Works, Chicago, makers of the Crescent wheel, have the largest, and without doubt the most complete bicycle factory in the world, and can turn out, when running to fullest capacity, 725 finished Crescents in twelve hours, or a complete "up to date" bicycle per minute.

The following figures are based on the

actual amount of the principal parts of material used by them during 1896 in the manufacture of Crescent bicycles, during which season they made more high-grade bicycles than any other two factories in the country.

They used 350 miles of tubing, or enough to nearly reach from Chicago to St. Paul if placed in a straight line. The spokes were made in their own factory, and required 780 miles of wire, or enough to reach from Chicago to Lincoln, Neb.: 50 miles of brass rod was required for spoke nipples. If the spokes, spoke nipples and tubing were placed in a straight line they would reach from Chicago to the Rocky Mountains at Denver. The cranks, if placed end to end, would cover a distance of 22 miles. They used 35 miles of steel for crank axles, wheel axles and pedal axles, and 19 miles of steel for reat placed one upon the other they would make a pile 19,800 feet high, 6,000 feet higher than Pike's Peak and about the height of Mount Elias in Alaska, whose summit has never yet been reached by man. If placed in a straight line, side by side, these rims would reach a distance of 72½ miles, and if the tires were fitted they would make a "ine 77½ miles longer. The steel forgings, used for the crank hangers on the "96" wheels weighed, in the rough, 113 8-10 tons, and when finished, 21 9-10 tons, showing a complete waste of 91 9-10 tons in drilling and finishing. It required 32,084 square feet of sheet steel to make the Crescent hollow tooth sprockets, and 21,876 square feet for the steel stampings of the head and seat post clamps, or in all enough finishing. It required 32,084 square feet of sheet steel to make the Crescent hollow tooth sprockets, and 21,876 square feet of the steel stamping of the head and seat post clamps, or in all enough finishing. It required 32,084 square feet of the steel stamp in frames together before brazing. The finished chains, end the different pieces of which they are composed would reach 20 miles, or in all 806 required 13,997,300 steel bills, which, if placed in a straight line, sid

Italian Paper.

The manufacture of paper, cardboard and kindred articles is becoming in Italy an important and growing industry, the annual exports amounting to \$2,500,000, ar increase of 50 per cent. in white and packing paper within five years, and of 25 per cent, in cardboard. Piedmont, Liguria, Lombardy and Venetia are the principal centers of this manufacture, but there are a number of mills at other points. There are now about 450 paper mills, employing some 20,000 horse power, and 20,-000 hands, over fifty of the establishments manufacturing wood pulp.

Hints to Hunters. To get good results in any kind of shooting, uniform, reliable ammunition is absolutely necessary. Experience has taught the most successful hunters that it pays to always use ammunition made by the Winchester Repeating Arms Co... New Haven, Ct., as it is unequalled for accuracy, reliability, uniformity and strong shooting qualities. Winchester aumunition can be bought everywhere, as it is in great demand all over the world. Like Winchester guns, it is the standard of the world. It costs no more than inferior makes, and it is a thousand times better. Send for a large illustrated catalogue free.

A Farm Under Glass.

On a property at Redlees, Isleworth, England, recently purchased by E. F. Smith, a curious and novel sight has lately been witnessed. The owner has erected ten large glass houses, 600 feet long by 40 feet wide, and after calculating the cost of digging, he decided to dispense with manual labor in favor of the plow. Two plows have been at work under the glass, plowing from end to end, the ground being afterward harrowed in the ordinary way. The houses are intended for the culture of tomatoes.

Shake Into Your Shoes

Allen's Foot-Ease, a powder for the feet. It cures painful, swollen, smarting feet, and instantly takes the sting out of corns and bunions. It's the greatest comfort discovery of the age. Allen's Foot-Ease makes tight-fitting or new shoes feel easy. It is a certain cure for sweating, callous and hot, tired, aching feet. Try it to-day. Sold by all druggists and shoe stores. By mail for 25 cents, in stamps. Trial package FREE. Address, Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

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A person constipated, with a lazy liver, bilious blood, dyspeptic stomach, has pim-

ples and liver spots and a sole leather complexion. No one with a furred tongue, a bad breath, a jaundiced eye, can be beautiful,

no matter how perfect are form and fea tures.

To be beautiful, to become beautiful, or remain beautiful, the blood must be kept nure and free from bile, microbes, dis-

ease germs and other impurities. Cascarets Candy Cathartic will do it for you quickly, surely, naturally. They never grip nor gripe, but make the liver lively, prevent sour stomach, kill disease germs, tone up the bowels, purify the blood and make all things right, as they should be. Then beauty comes of itself

Buy and try Cascarets to-day. It's what they do, not what we say they do, that will please you. All druggists, 10c, 25c or 50c, or mailed for price. Send for booklet and free sample. Address Sterling Remedy Co., Chicago, Montreal, Can., or New York.

and to stay.

"Savings" in the British Navy.

"Savings" is a term of official record in the British navy, and it is briefly defined thus: If the individuals on board of ship do not draw the rations of rum and provisions allowed to them, they are credited with their value on the pay accounts. Sometime ago the admiralty discontinued the "issuing of rum" to the officers, and gave them instead "savings" amounting to the munificent sum of 3 farthings (11/2 cents United States money) per day. Soon afterward the admiralty instituted the system of furnishing tableware for the officers and charging them a penny (2 cents) per day, with the privilege of making good all losses and breakages. The net monetary result of this heroic change was the microscopic gain to the treasury of 1 farthing per day, abstracted from the pay of each naval officer.

Poison in the Coffee.

Few people who habitually drink coffee, several times a day, realize the amount of poison they are distributing through their system. All coffee contains caffeine, and the better the coffee the more of that slow poison. By experimenting with pure grains a substitute for fine coffee has been produced. It is for the conee has been produced. It is called Grain-O. There is nothing about it to hurt the most delicate system. It strengthens the nerves and is nourishing to old and young alike. The smallest child can drink Grain-O without any bad effects. While it tastes like and has the seal brown color of the finest Mocha or Lava effects. finest Mocha or Java coffee it contains all pure nourishing grains. It costs only one-quarter as much as coffee. only one-quarter as much as conee. Sold by all grocers, 15 cents and 25 cents per package. Ask for Grain-O.

Laughter in moderation is the best possible lung exercise. A hearty, healthful laugh also acts upon organs that require care for digestion's sake. Unquestionably, later in life our sunshiny moods enrich and quicken our daily modes of living.

The Mead Cycle Company, Chicago is the original house to sell reliable bi cycles at low prices direct to the rider. They have built up a large business by their honorable dealings and have won the entire confidence of their customers As is usually the case, they have many imitators who seek to share in the reflected light of the house which won its pres tige by conceiving this popular idea and then carrying it out. The Mead Cycle Co., Chicago, simply ask the public to believe that the house which leads and controls the best sources of supply is the heet house to do husiness wit

Care is to be taken that our hearts may be always the working place, and our members the instruments of God, in which and through which he can perform everything himself.—Golden Treasury.

Hall's Catarrh Cure, Is taken internally. Price 75 cents.

Waffle is from wafel, a word of Teutonic origin, meaning honeycomb.

If the care of the hair were made a part of a lady's education, we should not see so many gray heads, and the use of Hall's Hair Renewer would be unnecessary.

Piso's Cure for Consumption is our only nedicine for coughs and colds.—Mrs. C. Beltz, 439 8th ave., Denver, Col., Nov. 8

Enterprises of Great Pith and Moment Have, ere now, had their currents "turned awry," as Hamilet says, by an attack of dyspepsia. Naboleon failed to improve his advantage at Austriltz in consequence, it is said, of indige-tion brought on by some indiscretion in eating. In order to avoid dyspepsia, abstain from over indulgence, and precede the meal by a wineglassful of Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, more effective tham any dietetic in improving the tone of the stomach. Liver complaint, chills and fever, and rheumatism are annihilated by the Bitters. Enterprises of Great Pith and Moment

The total number of copies of newspapers printed throughout the world in one year is 12,000,000,000. To print these requires 781,240 tons of paper, or 1,562,480,000 pounds, while it would take the fastest single press 333 years to print a single year's edition, which would produce a stack of papers nearly fifty miles high.

Real Warm Weather Rest and Comfort.

There is a powder to be shaken into the shoes called Allen's Foot-Ease, invented by Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y., which druggists and shoe dealers say is the best thing they have ever sold to cure swollen, burning, sore and tender or aching feet. Some dealers claim that it makes tight or new shoes feel easy. It certainly will cure corns and bunions and relieve instantly sweating, hot or smarting feet. It costs only a quarter, and the inventor will send a sample free to any address.

Up-to-date furniture is built on comfortable, easy lines, quite plain, but substantial. The light, flimsy gilt affairs, with upholsterings that fade and soil at a touch, are a thing of the past.

There is a Class of People

Who are injured by the use of coffee Recently there has been placed in all the grocery stores a new preparation called GRAIN-O, made of pure grains, that takes the place of coffee. The most delicate stomach receives it without dis tress, and but few can tell it from coffee. It does not cost over one-fourth as much. Children may drink it with great benefit. 15c. and 25c. per package. Try it. Ask for GRAIN-O.

The perfectly round pearls are the most valuable; next come the pearshaped, and, lastly, the egg-shaped.

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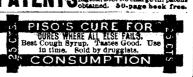
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Coming Events.

M. E. church, J. C. Dorris, pastor. The usual services at 10:30 a.m. followed by Sunday school.

The church offering for state missions will be taken in the Baptist church next Sunday morning. Everybody is kindly invited to aid this worthy cause.

Baptist church, Walter A. Biss, pastor. Services 10:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. Offering for state missions will be taken during the morning service. Evening topic, "The Name of Jesus." B. Y. P. U., Conquest meeting. Subject, "Weman's Work in Home Missions." Prayer meeting, Thursday, 7:20 p. m.

Congregational church, H. Appleton, paster. Service 10:30 a. m. Subject "Faith and Its Aspirations." Sabbath school at close of morning service. Junior C. E., 4 p. m. Subject, "Things the Bible Tells Us not to Do." Y. P. S. C. E., 7 p. m. Subject, "False Worship and True." Matt. vi:1-15. Leader. Glenn Gale. Prayer meeting, Thursday, 7:30 p. m. A cordial welcome to all services.

The Sunday evening service at the M. E. church will be conducted by the Epworth League commencing at 7:30. Devotional meeting...leader. Miss Mary Moe Bubject.—"St. Paul a Prisoner of Jesus Christ," Acts 10:33-26; Eph. 3:1.

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Recitation	Leon Green
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Recitation	Bolle Corson
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The Maccabees will hold their midsummer festival or basket picnic at Thornapple lake next week Thursday, July 29, under the auspices of their newly formed organization known as the Thornapple Valley K. O. T. M. and L. O. T. M. association. Hon. John T. Carton of Flint and Great Commander Mrs. Francis Burns of the L. O. T. M. of interest to Maccabees. Several bands will discourse music during the day and talent from the several Tents and Hives represented will furnish vocal music and recitals. If the weather permits it is expected that more people will assemble at Thornapple lake on this occasion than has ever before assembled upon its beautiful shores. Let Middleville and vicinity lay aside labor for the day and enjoy a day with the Maccabees.

LAWN SOCIAL.

The members of the Congregational church will give an ice-cream social on the lawn at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Blake Friday evening, July 30. A musical and literary program will be given and a good time can be looked forward to. Remember the date, July 30.

SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' PICNIC.

The soldiers and sailors of Barry and Eaton counties will hold their annual picnic at Thornapple lake August 11 and 12. All soldiers and sailors of Barry and Eaton counties, with their families, are requested and expected to be present. Come early and stay late. Good speakers have been secured for both days. Camp fire on the evening of August 11. Comrades, turn out and make this the grandest soldiers' gathering ever held in Barry county.

By order of Committee.

RACE MEETING.

Michigan Central Race Meetings: At Albion Mich., July 7, 8, and 9, dates of sale good to return July 10, one and one-third first-class limited fare for round trip. Also at Grand Rapids, Mich., July 27, 28, 29 and 30. Dates of sale limit to July 31st, 1897, at same rate. J. E. GOGLE, Local Agt. 27-3

BAY VIEW IS THE MAGNET.

Bay View is the magnet that is going to draw many people this year on their summer vacation trip. Passenger rates are very low and it costs no more to live at Bay View than at home. On the other hand the climatic, recreative and educational advantages there are incomparable. The Assembly programs are said to be the finest for this year ever offered there, and in the Summer University are advantages not to be found anywhere else. Hundreds are now attracted by the superior opportunities in studying art, music, elocution, physical culture, Bible study, and all academic studies, besides those subjects in which all teachers are interested. The superb train service of the Grand Rapids & Indiana Railroad makes a trip to Baw View most pleasant, and this road in common with all Michigan roads, will sell half-fare round-trip tickets to Bay View between July 12 and 22, with return limit any time to August 21. Full particulars of the sesson are in the Bay View Magazine(summer address Bay View). Sent free quapplication: 1 / 3 87 Fr

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Commencing Saturday, July 24,



Closing Saturday, August 7th, '97.

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We must reduce our Clothing Stock two thousand dollars to make room for fall goods. To accomplish this we offer our entire line of Men's, Youths' and Boys' Summer Suits at ONE-QUARTER OFF the regular price, which brings them below wholesale prices, but they must go. A big reduction in Men's fine black worsted suits, odd pants, etc.

Don't let THIS OPPORTUNITY slip by. Give it your careful consideration.

Gents' Furnishings	SHOES \$3 and \$3.50 Ladies' fine Shoes \$2.48	Carpets, Rugs, Etc.	GROCERIES
Fine Straw Hats 1/4 off \$1.00 negligee Shirts, 85c 75c " " 66c 50c " 43c	2.50 " " 2.00	Extra super " 47c	19 lbs Gran. Sugar \$1.00 22 lbs extra C Sugar 1.00 50c Tycoon Tea .40
All Summer Underwear, Neckwear, White Shirts, Suspenders, Hosiery, etc., at reduced prices.		2.50 " " 2.13 6.00 per pair Lace Curtains 3.88	Lyon and XXXX Coffee .12 Gloss Starch .05 Arm & Hammer Soda .05 9 Bars Lenox Soap .25 5 Butter Crackers .25

Remnants:

During this sale our counters will be loaded with Remnants of Dress Goods, all kinds of Wash Goods, Prints, Linens, Cottons, Dress Linings, odds and ends in Clothing, Shoes, etc., that must be closed out, no matter how cheap. We want everyone to attend this sale whether you wish to buy or not. COME EARLY AND OFTEN.

M.S. Keeler & Company.