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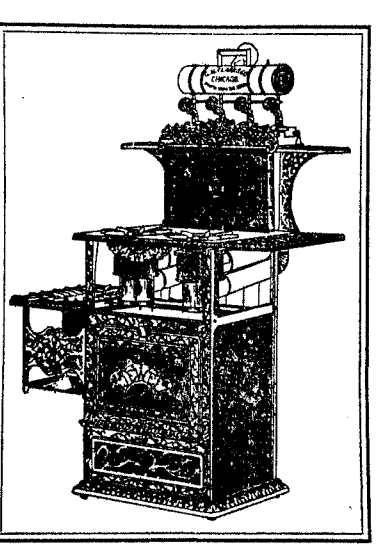
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CALEDONIA CULLINGS.
Mrs. C. H. Kinsey and daughter Rhea and Mrs. Chas. Lawyer of Cascade, left Tuesday for Petoskey, where they go to visit friends and relatives. Vernia and Mabel Myers and Lizzie Brower were guests of Meda and Maggie Bergy of Alto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

Mrs. John Kinsey and daughter Blanche of Muskegon, are visiting at Caledonia.
Miss Dora Schroeder was in Grand Rapids over Sunday.
Will Flankbeiner 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 visited his little daughter, Miss Genevieve, over Sunday.
The Union Rifles, local company of the U. 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 Della Coutechie 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 Schadt'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 Caledonia to practice singing Sunday p. m.
Frank Damoth and family are moving into the house recently occupied by Mr. Gamwell at Pike's mill.
Mr. Isaac Bechtel from Grand Rapids Sundayed with Dilman Benjamin and family.
Frank Shuck and wife from Salem visited friends at this place Saturday and Sunday.
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. Skinner, were in Grand Rapids on business one day last week.
Quite a number were fishing on the lake yesterday, result unknown.

The sound of the threshing whistle now awakens us from our reverie.
Allan Bechtel and Iva Adam make their weekly pilgrimage to Caledonia every Tuesday evening to the band practice.
Artie Roach and partner from your 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 of Grand Rapids, is visiting her niece, Miss Clara Brown.
Miss Nina Stroeter of Grand Rapids, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. L. C. Rathbun 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.
Rev. Appleton will lead the Y. P. S. C. E. next Sunday evening. Let there be a good attendance.
The young people of the League will sell ice-cream next Saturday afternoon 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. Kennedy and family.
The Dorcas society in connection with the Cong. church, will be entertained by Mrs. J. J. Hendershot and daughter Blanche at their home next Friday afternoon. The invitation is general and a good attendance is expected.

ORANGEVILLE OUTINGS.
For your ice-cream Saturday evenings, go to the lawn of Mr. Henry's, where the Woman's Missionary society will serve same as long as the weather is favorable.
Mr. W. L. Johnson sat in council with the First Baptist church of Kalamazoo Monday.
C. Allen Morse of your town placed an iron roof on Mrs. Beattie's new porch Monday.
Our miller tells us that he floured the first grist of new wheat for Mr. 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 (Wednesday), shaking hands with his old time friends.
Evangelist Berry will hold meetings at the Baptist church Thursday afternoon 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. Beattie's.
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 Sunday evening to witness the blooming of a night-blooming-cereus. It was worth seeing.

H. C. Strong has employed Mr. Har- tel of Vermontville, as head miller and 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- tin.
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'Connor with his harvesting.
Ed O'Connor clipped an excellent crop of hay this season.
Jay Tidd is helping Ed Silcox.
Harry Clem is working for J. L. Youngs.

The "quick" rain of Friday last hustled a great many from the harvest field.
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 office.
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 relatives here.
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 Wash- ington were rusticated 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 berries at the roadside to eat. As Mrs. Runyan reached for her little boy, the horse started and the wheel caught her dress in such a manner as to draw her under the wheel, it passing over her arm and hurting her side quite badly 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.

PRAIRIEVILLE POINTS.
From the Press.
M. M. Chase placed a furnace in his new residence last week.
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 cluster so many memories of other days, is now owned by Dr. McLeay. How soon Dr. McLeay will demolish 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 it.

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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 experience.

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 occasionally on the Thornapple. He has recently purchased a fine boat and between times is doing some fishing on the river.
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 barley on the corner of his farm near the M. E. church.
Mr. Nelson Van Every spent Sunday in Parmelee with Robt 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 contrary 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 our streets Sunday p. m. Among them we noticed several from your village.

MOB HANGS A NEGRO.

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 Maj. 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-month-old baby.

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.

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 Endeavor convention in San Francisco.

Race for the Pennant. Following is the standing of the clubs of the National Baseball League:

Table with 4 columns: Team, W, L, Pct. Boston, Cincinnati, Baltimore, New York, Cleveland, Philadelphia.

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

Table with 4 columns: Team, W, L, Pct. Indianapolis, St. Paul, Columbus, Milwaukee.

Chicagoan Easily Wins.

At Henley-on-Thames, Dr. W. S. McDowell, the Chicago oarsman, won the fifth trial heat for the Diamond sculls from T. J. Hogan, New Ross Boat Club, Ireland, with ridiculous ease.

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.

Dynamite Bombs in Spain.

Two dynamite bombs were exploded at Guadalquivir, capital of the province of that name in New Castile, Spain.

CALE HITS THE LAKE.

Twenty-five Chicago Passengers on Little Excursion Steamer Macatawa in a Panic.

Out of a sky that was reasonably clear at 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.

LAKE OF OIL IS FOUND.

Gold Prospectors in Alaska Make a Wonderful 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.

TORNADO STRIKES PADUCAH, KY.

Destructive Wind Sweeps Through Several Southern Illinois Towns.

A week of terrific heat culminated Friday afternoon in a tornado which swept over West Kentucky and Southern Illinois. At Paducah the destruction was confined to the downtown section.

Babies Were Saved.

Spurred on by the appeals of two mothers to save their babies from fire at 557 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.

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.

Chicago Millionaire Dies.

Columbus R. Cummings, one 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.

Will Get No Favors.

Hereafter women prisoners will receive no favors at Kansas City, Kan., but will be forced to break stone the same as the male prisoners.

MARKET FOR WHEAT.

EASTERN ASIA A POSSIBLE BUYER.

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 in European markets the future disposal of our surplus wheat has become an important question.

DAM LETS LOOSE A FLOOD.

Bursting Reservoir in Fishkill Mountains Causes Deaths of Nine.

Meluzhang 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.

Redskins Plan a Blowout.

The Indians of the Northwest are planning 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.

Brave Girl Saves Two Men.

At Bridgeport, Conn., brave Agnes Judson's prompt act no doubt saved two men who had fallen from their boat in the waters of the sound.

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 to 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 evening in his father's private office in the New York Life Building, 171 La Salle street, Chicago.

Celebrate Battle of the Boyne.

The usual celebrations in commemoration 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 meat 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.

LITIGATION 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.

MILLIONAIRE, YET A PAUPER.

Miss Hulda Duestrow Can Not Enjoy a 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.

Dun & Co.'s Report.

Trade G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of R. S. 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."

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; Tennessee, 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 by his sweetheart and a murmured "good-by" on his lips Leroy Rogers, of Chicago, 22 years old, secretary 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.

Bank's Management Criticized.

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 Vancouver, 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 National League of Republican Clubs was called to order Tuesday morning at Detroit.

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; rye, No. 2, 35c to 36c; butter, choice creamery, 14c to 15c; eggs, fresh, 7c to 9c; new potatoes, 40c to 50c per bushel.

WELCOME TO TORONTO.

EPWORTH LEAGUE IN ANNUAL SESSION.

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

Graced 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.

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 visitors. There was a big meeting in the Massy hall to welcome the delegates.

It was understood that some of the principal aims and objects of the society were, in short, helpfulness to themselves and to others, in detail, greater culture, more personal piety, greater service to others and a more thorough knowledge of the Bible among the members.

Other Words of Welcome.

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

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

Near West Point, Tenn., Tuesday afternoon, Miss Rene Williams was found brutally murdered in the woods near her home. Thursday afternoon Anthony Williams, her murderer, was captured near Fruitton, and at night he expiated his crime in the streets of West Point.

KICKED TO DEATH AND BURNED.

Elloquent 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 Manchester, 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.

Forty families of Polish Jews, numbering over 100, who were landed at New York by the steamships Sicilia and Verulam, 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 of rates.

BAPTISTS AT CHATTANOOGA.

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.

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 addresses.

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, 1906, a comparison of assets and liabilities showed a deficit of \$4,820.23. For the year ended June 30, 1907, after a conservative estimate of assets, the deficit is reduced to \$1,738.17, showing a gain for the year of \$3,082.05.

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 union, 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.

THE COMIC SIDE OF THE NEWS.

How much does a hundred pounds of ice 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 a desire to change the sex of the mother-in-law joke. 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 summer and the aldermen were hurrying out of town. 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 occasionally.

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MICHIGAN MATTERS.

NEWS OF THE WEEK CONCISELY CONDENSED.

Energetic Measures to Eradicate 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 passed 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. To the naked eye the twigs are incrustated in a fine white scale impervious to water, which may be removed only in the winter time by a strong solution of lime. The 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 12.30 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 less. The Hessian fly is reported from various points, but it does not seem probable that material damage will be done to the crop. The Supervisors' returns of farm statistics, so far as footed, indicate practically the same acreage as harvested in 1904. 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 88. The estimated area planted to beans is 72 per cent of area in average years. The estimated one year ago was, for the State, 84. The average 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 90. The hay crop is one of the best in average years ever harvested in the State. Apples are estimated to yield less than one-half and peaches less than one-fourth of an average crop.

Struck a Gas Vein.
While boring a well for water an oil and gas vein was struck on the property 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 department was 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 Rond, 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 mix was making. Shortly after dinner all seven occupants of the camp were taken violently ill. A physician found them suffering from arsenical poisoning. He administered antidotes, and believes that all will recover. An investigation showed that the powder in the baking powder can was pure arsenic, but he got there no one knows. There is no suspicion that it was put in the can with criminal intent.

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

Minor State Matters.
The large barn of Simon Landey, near Caseville, was burned. Loss, \$1,500; partially insured.
Joseph Koef, a German hostler, committed suicide by jumping into the St. Joseph river at Benton Harbor.
Mrs. Sarah Kerr, an old and highly respected resident of Jackson County, is dead at Blackman. She was 53 years old.
The arch under the boilers of the West Michigan furniture factory at Holland fell in, fatally injuring the 10-year-old son of D. Stroyvans.
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 Pontiac, 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 ago 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.

PEACE NOW IN SIGHT.

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 Lovjoy, 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 thy 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 house-top. He was injured internally.

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 Manistee 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 village 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 Nauk 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 immediately 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 vagabonds 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 securing 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 at work.

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 Adist, 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 employees, 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 plety of the inmates. Revival hymns were sung with devotion and perseverance.

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 endorsed 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 Pittsburgh by President Patrick Dolan and Secretary William Warner of the United Mine Workers of the Pittsburgh 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. Hatchford of the United Mine Workers was called to Pittsburgh 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 Pittsburgh district, according to the plan formulated, but which failed eighteen months ago. The contract provides that there shall be no company stores, honest weight, fair screens and the removal of other evils long complained of by the miners.

The agreement moreover provides for an assessment of one-tenth of a cent on every ton of coal produced by the operators. 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 Everts is quoted to sustain this position.

GREAT PEACE POW-WOW.

Sioux and Chippewa Indians Bury the Bloody Hatchet.

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

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 demoniacal fury. The original home of the Chippewas 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 force, 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 Mississippi. 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 Red Face. In this party are a number of notable characters, including Sitting Bull's daughter and Chief Black Bear of Custer massacre fame.

First in the ceremonial part of the pow-

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 society, 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 gentleman, 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 she—aw—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 Gallotti at Ultona, 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 an 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 542 of the code of criminal procedure to order a new trial in 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 also to say grace. Pointing with his thumb over his shoulder he said:

"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 periodicity with which it occurs.

Paris Executioner.

Debler, 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, Debler 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 possible.

LEADER OF MANY MEN.

Michael Hatchford, National President of the United Mine Workers. Michael Hatchford, 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. HATCHFORD.

ganization when the great strike of 1894 was fought. In 1888 Hatchford was a member of the national executive board of the miners' organization, and last year he was president of the Ohio miners' organization. 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 flashed 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 assistance saved his life. The body of Miss Yarnelle was taken to her father's cottage and several doctors worked for hours to 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 captured in a squall at Chicago. All were rescued.

The J. F. Crawford Lumber Company of Louisiana, Mo., assigned. Assets about \$75,000; liabilities, \$90,000.

Otto W. Ropique 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., acknowledges himself the slave of cigarettes. He voluntarily surrendered himself to the police and had himself locked up that he might break the habit.

HOW TO FIND OUT.

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.

WHAT TO DO.

There is comfort in the knowledge so often expressed, that Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy, fulfills every wish in relieving pain in the back, kidneys, liver, bladder and every part of the urinary passages.

MICHIGAN CENTRAL

"The Niagara Falls Route." Taking Effect November 29, 1896. EASTWARD BOUND.

Table with columns for STATIONS, Det, N.Y., Ngt, Fr, and times for Grand Rapids, Middleville, Hastings, Jackson, and Detroit.

M. ROSENBERG & COMPANY'S

Is the place to buy LUMBER, LATH AND SHINGLES AND OTHER BUILDERS' SUPPLIES.

Remember the place M. Rosenberg & Co., Successors to J. R. Cook.

WANTED—FAITHFUL MEN OR WOMEN to travel for responsible established house in Michigan. Salary \$750 and expenses.

Probate Order.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, ss. 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, 1897.

Mortgage Sale.

Default having been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage, made and executed by James Harvey Cline and Adaline Cline of Thosmas, Michigan.

THE MIDDLEVILLE SUN

J. W. SAUNDERS, Publisher.

Entered at the Middleville, Mich., Postoffice as second-class matter.

THURSDAY, JULY 22, 1897.

Most people will agree in one thing about 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 daily newspaper for 41 years without injury to her good standing must be one of them.

The Sultan of Turkey may not be altogether modern in his ideas, but when it comes to the game of diplomacy, he is able to hold his own with any of them.

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 than in last fall's campaign and the leaders of the gold democracy are greatly encouraged by this fact.

Despite the enormous importations of manufactured goods, the manufacturers of the country are showing an improved business condition. Reports from various sections show an increase in the number of hands employed and hours occupied.

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; of 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.

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 coming year.

With a wheat crop of 575 million bushels in sight in the United States and an unusually light crop predicted in all the other great grain-producing countries of the world, the prospects of the American farmer are bright.

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.

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.

Mortgage Sale.

Default having been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made and executed by Newton C. McDowell and Emma, his wife, of Thornapple, Barry county, Michigan, to Marjane Smith, guardian of Blanche and Jessie Smith, of Chicago, Ill., dated the 31st day of October, A. D. 1895, and recorded in the office of the register of deeds for Barry county, Michigan, on the 1st day of November, A. D. 1895, in liber 44 of mortgages, on page 310, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice the sum of three thousand and 40-100 dollars, and an attorney fee of thirty-five dollars stipulated for in said mortgage, all of said mortgage having been declared due by said mortgagee and is hereby declared due by her by reason of the non-payment of an installment of fifty dollars which fell due on said mortgage on the 31st day of October, A. D. 1896, and by virtue of the authority contained in said mortgage to declare the same due of which the mortgagee has had notice and no suit or proceedings having been instituted either at law or in equity to recover the moneys so secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof, now hereof, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that I shall sell at public auction to the highest bidder, at the north front door of the court house in the city of Hastings (that being the place where the circuit court for the county of Barry is holden) on Saturday, the 21st day of August, A. D. 1897, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, the premises described in said mortgage or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due on said mortgage as aforesaid, with seven per cent interest and all legal costs, together with said attorney fee of thirty-five dollars covenanted for in said mortgage.

Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale of Real Estate.

Notice is hereby given that whereas default having been made in the conditions for payments as stipulated in a certain real estate mortgage bearing date November 1st day, A. D. 1877, lawfully made and executed by William H. Peake, of Vermont, and his wife, then both of Yankee Springs, Barry 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 ten o'clock a. m. 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-two (222) of the register of deeds, and 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 in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that I shall on Friday, the first day of October, A. D. 1897, at the hour of ten 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 said mortgage or so much thereof as may be necessary to satisfy the said mortgage indebtedness, together with all interest, costs, fees and charges, to-wit: The amount now due on said mortgage, to-wit: Eight hundred and fifty dollars as principal and interest thereon from November first day, A. D. 1894, at 8 per cent 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 (being an attorney fee of thirty-five dollars stipulated therefor in said mortgage) and there never having been previous hereto any suit or proceeding either at law or in equity instituted for the recovery of said mortgaged indebtedness or any portion thereof.

Whereas, Default having been made in the payment conditioned for in a certain mortgage (whereby the power of sale therein contained) which has become operative, and which mortgage was made and executed by Warren J. Brew and Ella Brew, his wife, both of the county of Barry, Michigan, 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. 1897, and which said mortgage was recorded in the office of the register of deeds for said Barry county, Michigan, in liber number thirty-five of mortgages on page number thirty-five of the register of deeds for said Barry county, A. D. 1891, at 10 o'clock p. m., and which said mortgage is assigned to me, the undersigned, by deed of assignment, dated the 23rd day of December, A. D. 1891, at 10:30 o'clock a. m., duly recorded in the office of the register of deeds for said Barry county, in the state of Michigan, in liber number thirty-six of mortgages on page two hundred forty-five, in which said mortgage it was stipulated that in case of a default in the payment of the interest on any part thereof for the space of sixty days from and after the day on which the same should be payable, then at the option of mortgagee, he assigns, the whole principal sum not paid with all arrears of interest thereon should at the option of said mortgagee and his assigns become due and payable to the assignee, having given said mortgagee notice of my said option declaring the whole principal sum then due, and I hereby give notice that at my said option I have so declared the whole principal sum, together with all arrears of interest, new due. The sum claimed to be due at this date of principal is one hundred dollars and interest eight-seventy and 8-100 dollars at the date of this notice. The sum claimed by me at this date now due and unpaid on said mortgage and note secured hereby, for which this foreclosure is made is six hundred eighty-four and 84-100 dollars, and no suit or proceeding either at law or in equity has been previously hereto instituted to recover said moneys secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on Friday, the third day of September, A. D. 1897, at ten o'clock in the forenoon of said day, I shall sell at public auction or vendue to the highest bidder for cash at north front door of the court house in the city of Hastings, county of Barry and state of Michigan, being the place where the circuit court for said Barry county is holden the lands and premises described in said mortgage or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount as aforesaid on said mortgage with interest at seven per cent from date hereof and all legal costs including an attorney fee of thirty-five dollars stipulated for in said mortgage in case of foreclosure. The premises described in said mortgage and to be sold are as follows, to-wit: The southwest quarter (1/4) of the north-west quarter (1/4) of section number seven (7) in town number four (4) north of range No. nine (9) west, containing forty (40) acres of land, more or less.

JOHN CAMPBELL'S

Third 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

Table with columns for Dress Goods, Wash Goods, and DOMESTICS, listing items like Serges and Henriettas, Wash Goods, and various fabrics with prices.

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

Laces, Embroideries RIBBONS Corsets and Hosiery We have a nice line and will guarantee you a BIG SAVING

ALL CARPETS, RUGS AND LACE CURTAINS AT ACTUAL COST.

Our Remnant Box will be loaded with irresistible bargains. Dress Linings and Trim-mings will be sold cheaper than ever. Table Damask Napkins, ready made Towels and Crash Toweling—we will sell you what you want at 1-4 off.

Men's Boys' Youths' and Children's Suits and Pants can be bought during this sale at prices Lower than the Lowest.

All STRAW HATS will be Sold REGARDLESS OF COST.

Comfortable Feet Produce Contented Minds. WE HAVE THE SHOES.

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.

Good Things Not To Be Missed in Groceries Men's Shirts 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.

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

Corner Store. John Campbell.

OUR Mid-Summer Clearing Sale

Will commence on **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.



I cannot be undersold. 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		SHOES	
Your choice of Ladies'		Youths', Misses' and Children's sold in same proportion.		Your choice of Men's	
\$4.50 and \$4.00 for	\$2.05			\$3.00 and \$3.50 at	\$2.50
3.50 and 3.00 "	\$2.25 to 2.50			2.50 "	2.00
2.50 "	1.75 to 2.00			2.00 "	1.50 to 1.75
2.00 "	1.45 to 1.65			1.50 "	1.25
1.50 "	1.20			1.25 "	1.00
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Walking Shoes at Cost and Below.

NO SHODDY GOODS EVERYTHING GUARANTEED

PANTS

Men's \$4 and \$5 now	\$3.25
" 2.50 "	1.75
" 2.25 "	1.65
" 1.50 "	1.20
" 1.00 "	.83



Straw Hats 1-3 off
Felt Hats of All Styles 1-4 off

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. Yours for Square Dealing,

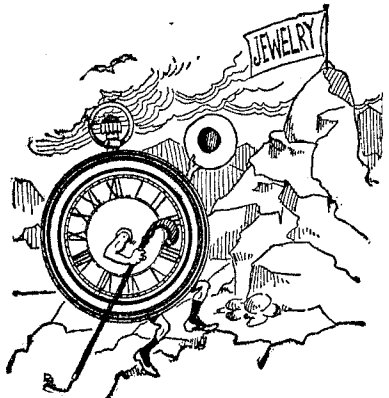
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But we beat him, because we're away up with our fine, superb, elegant, and magnificent assortment of jewelry, watches, clocks and silverware. What's more, we're up to stay, and for more reasons than we can stop to tell, the public are with us. Jewelry buyers find us readily responsive to every wish. Our watches are accurate, handsome and low priced. It needs no silver purchase act to induce the public to come to us for artistic specimens of the white metal.

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Poison Fly Paper because it is fresh made this year.

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Will Kill all Kinds Of Insects.

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Insect Powder because it is always fresh.

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Paris Green and London Purple because both are pure and fresh this year. First Door East of P. O.

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—AT—
MIDDLEVILLE, MICHIGAN.
THURSDAY, JULY 22, 1897.

Local Happenings.

Read B. A. Almy's large ad on first page.

Picnic with the Maccabees at Thornapple 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 16 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 county. 29-2

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 one-half 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 gents' leather belts.

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 coop and the next morning were locked in the embrace of death. They died happy, but hadn't evolved far in the line of brotherly love.—Charlotte Tribune.

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

The Middleville Cornet band will play at the K. O. T. M. picnic to be 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 requiring skill in the use of muscle and nerves; but it was noticed that when he started to take up a collection the onlookers had urgent business elsewhere.

Fifty ladies gave Mrs. W. A. Biss a 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 afternoon was spent in pleasant conversation and partaking of an elegant supper.

Mrs. D. W. Johnson, in behalf of the company, presented Mrs. Biss with a nice table-cloth and a dozen napkins, also a generous purse of silver, which were received with thankfulness but almost too full for utterance. Truly from the heart did the mouth speak. Thus our lives are made happy by the presence of good and true friends and again we feel that "Tis not the whole of life to live."

Mrs. Jane Whitfield Brodie, widow of Dr. Wm. Brodie and cousin of David Brodie of this village, 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 dangerously ill until two weeks ago. The trouble was paralysis, and since Saturday she had not been conscious. Mrs. Brodie was born in England in 1822 and came to this country in the early fifties first living near Pontiac, where she 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 institutions, and was one of the first members of St. John's Episcopal church. She rendered frequent and open-handed assistance to the unfortunates of whom she heard in connection with her husband's work.

Personal Points.

Mrs. Chas. W. Fenton is on the sick list.

Geo. C. Smith has returned from Bay City.

Mrs. J. E. Ackerson is visiting relatives in Lowell.

Z. W. Whittemore was in Grand Rapids on business, Friday.

Olin Arney of Grand Rapids was in the village a wheel, Friday.

Chet Benedict of Irving, is working in M. L. Matteson's barber shop.

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

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

Miss Myrtle Green of Grand Rapids is 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 spending 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 Rapids.

Mrs. John Colborn of Caledonia was 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 visiting their aunt, Mrs. W. S. Gibbs.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Johnson of Grand Rapids were guests of the former's brother, Dwight Johnson, and family over Sunday.

W. H. Peeps, designer for the Keeler Brass Co., was in Chicago part of last week in the interest of the company.

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 the Emporium millinery store of Chicago, is visiting relatives and friends in the village.

Misses Mabel and Nettie Southwick and Bessie Fullagar drove over to 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 Grand Rapids, are guests at J. W. Armstrong's and other relatives in this locality.

Sheriff S. C. Ritchie was in the village Saturday subpoenaing witnesses in the case of the people vs. J. P. Ferguson over the line fence of the Cong'l society.

Miss Edna Herbert, who has been the guest of her cousin, Mabel Hanlon, returned to her home in Plainwell yesterday. Miss Mabel accompanied her to Wayland.

Misses Mabel Southwick, Vera Cobb, Elsie Smith, Frona Carveth, Vera Grosfield, Xenia Thomas, Lena Griswold 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 his son, Dr. M. D. Barbour, family. Mr. Barbour is in the best of health and has many friends here who are pleased to meet him.—Mauston (Wis.) Star.

Mrs. Hill of Middleville on Thursday morning underwent an operation for cancer at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Weaver, of Meyer street. Dr. J. H. McKibbin was head surgeon and was assisted by Drs. John Fletcher, McNair, Sobahrg, Hochstein and Van Zwaluwenburg.—Kalamazoo Telegraph.

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AGENTS IN EVERY TOWN IN MICHIGAN.

The Evening News, Detroit.

CYCLING ACCIDENT.

Miss Mable Hines Fall is Typist of a Coach.

Sunday afternoon Miss Mable Hines, 168-Upton street, Flushing, N. Y., and her friend, Miss Melle Dunn, of Locust street, girls of fourteen and fifteen years, engaged two Clipper bicycles of Philip DeWitt and started for a ride out Jamaica avenue. They met two coaches coming against. Miss Dunn, who was riding ahead, passed safely, but Miss Hines, as she approached the team on the right, seemed to lose her control of her wheel. She wobbled for an instant, and then fell squarely in front of the horses. As she went off the wheel Miss Hines grasped the collar of the horse nearest the sidewalk, hung for an instant and then scrambled out of the way. Her clothing was torn, but she was not injured. Thomas Burke, driver of the coach, was not able to stop the team instantly and the coach passed directly over the bicycle, which was bent into almost an unrecognizable mass of steel, rubber and wood. Strange as it may seem, though the frame of the machine was twisted into a shape which it would be impossible to describe, not a piece of the tubing nor one of the brackets was broken. Miss Hines was taken home in the coach, and aside from the severe fright was none the worse for the accident today.—Exchange.

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A. R. Cycle Co., Grand Rapids, Mich.

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At 10 Per Cent Above Cost.

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See the beautiful

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The bicycle with the life-long bearings.

We make more wheels than any other two factories in Grand Rapids.

If you want a wheel for business, buy a HAMILTON-KENWOOD
If you want a wheel for pleasure, buy a HAMILTON-KENWOOD
If you want a wheel for beauty, buy a HAMILTON-KENWOOD

If you want a wheel of all wheels, buy a HAMILTON-KENWOOD

Come and see and try one and be convinced.

HAMILTON-KENWOOD CYCLE CO., Grand Rapids, Michigan.

C. E. STOKOE, Agent, Middleville.

Do you take The Middleville SUN? If not why not?

TO THE STORE CLERK

ENCOURAGEMENT FOR SALESMEN AND SALESWOMEN.

Rev. Talmage Preaches to a Mighty Host of Tollers—He Gives Good Advice for the Life that Now Is as Well 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 xvii, 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 princely success. "Seest thou a man diligent in his business? He shall stand before kings."

Great encouragement in these two passages 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 gold. 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 prepare 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 either make or break them for time and for eternity. Many of these people have already achieved a Christian manliness and a 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 noonday light.

Only a Schoolroom.

In the first place, I counsel clerks to remember 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 occupy. 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 that. Now clerks, but to be bankers, importers, insurance company directors, shippers, contractors, superintendents of railroads—your voice might "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 philanthropies, after all, the merchants must come forward with their millions to sustain the movement.

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 opportunity. 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 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 has not over you. As well might I come down to the docks when a vessel is about to sail for Valparaiso 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 understand 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 going into a business they know nothing about. A man makes a fortune in one business, thinks there is another occupation 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.

anything goes wrong—a streak of dust on 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 while 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 services he ought to be thankful, but I mean in prosperous times. Some of you remember when the war broke out and all merchandise 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? Sometimes; not always. I saw estates gathered 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 upholstery, rumbling in the long roll of the tannin 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 honesty. 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.

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!

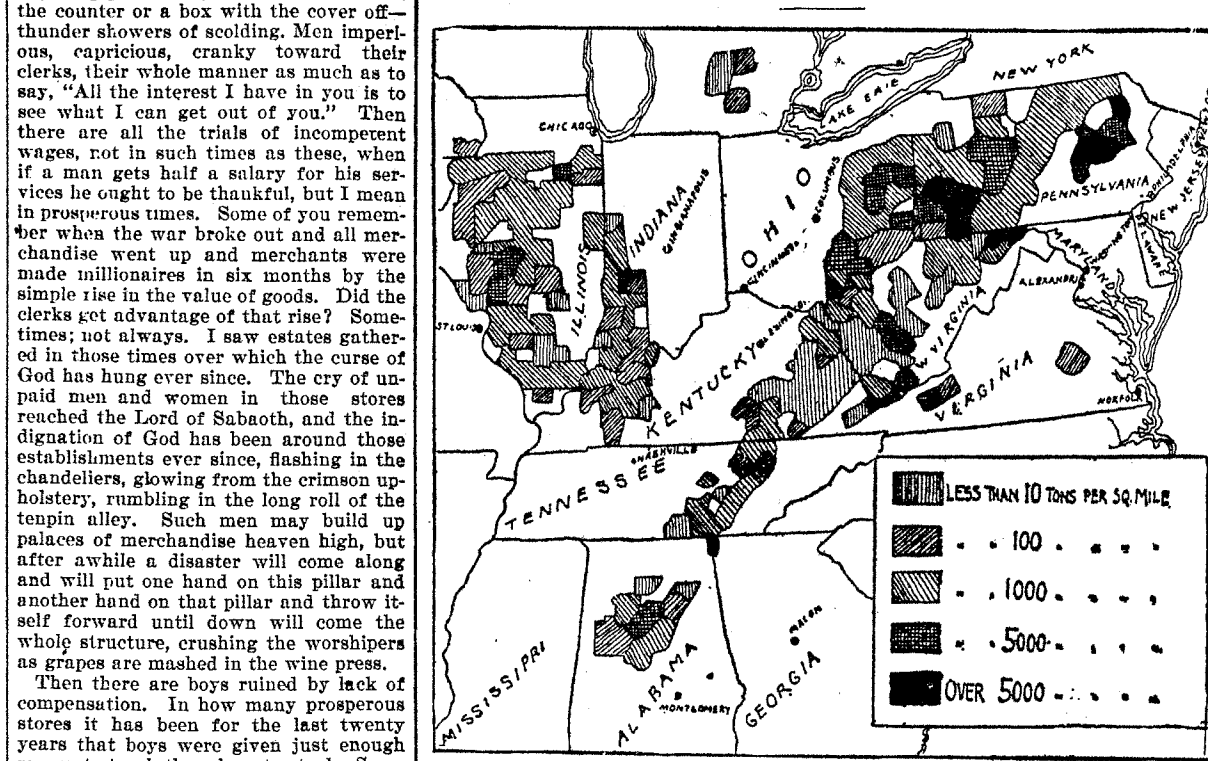
After the last store has been closed, after the last bank has gone down, after the shuffle of the quick feet on the custom house steps has stopped, after the long line of merchantmen on the sea have taken sail of flame, after Washington and New York and London and Vienna have gone down into the grave where Thebes and Babylon and Tyre lie buried, after the great fire bells of the judgment day have tolled at the burning of a world—on 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 gtypings, all snap judgments, all false entries, all adulteration of liquors with coppers and strychnine. All mixing of teas and sugars and coffees and syrups with cheaper material. All embezzlements of trust funds. All swindles in coal and iron and oil and silver and stocks. On 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 clerks! 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 amethyst and alabaster, holding in his right hand the pearl of great price in a sparkling, 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. Hills, Independent, Chicago, Ill.

The worst 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 MISSISSIPPI 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, Georgia, North and South Carolina, Kansas, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Maine and Connecticut were grouped on the left, and Illinois, Iowa, North and South Dakota, 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 present, and twice as many spectators, which included the Tippecanoe Club of Cleveland and the McKinley Club of Dayton, Ohio.

President Woodmansee called the convention to order at 10:30 o'clock. In his annual address he upheld a protective tariff, the 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. Dufluff 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. Dufluff, 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 tariff bill.

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 mission 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 order to reconcile the American public to the expenditure of large sums of money without result.

The principal Paris newspapers have referred to the mission in terms which, while conforming to the rules of artificial Gallic courtesy, have been not far from ridicule. The Temps calls attention 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 mission intrusted with an impossible mission and costing the taxpayers \$500,000.

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 mission personally, but refuses 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 bimetallicism.

TURKEY'S CRUELTY IS MERCY

Compared to the Savage Fway of Butcher Weyler in Cuba.

Revolution within revolution has broken out in unfortunate Cuba. In Matanzas a 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 demanding bread. Many houses were looted before the authorities could quell the unfortunate people.

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 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 nude state. The rainy season having be-

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 whatever, 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 cemetery.

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 reporter. 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 class, are not as liable to be prostrated by heat as dwellers in cities, many of them must have succumbed to the torrid heat of the last week. The population of the farming districts greatly outnumbered, in the aggregate, that of the cities and towns, and must have furnished its proportion of fatalities. To all these must be added the deaths of very aged persons and of infants, which, though reported under other causes, were due as directly to the heat as if they had occurred from sunstroke. So it is evident the total number of deaths attributable directly to the heat must have amounted to many thousands. It was a veritable plague of heat.

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Debs and Utopia.

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 people 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 plain.—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, lecturers, 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 island 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 judgment 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 likely 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 the sufferers 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 wages.—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 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.

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FRED PEFFER.

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 of the year. Prayer meetings have been called.

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, "Woman's Work in Home Missions." Prayer meeting, Thursday, 7:30 p. m.

Congregational church, H. Appleton, pastor. Services 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. Subject—"St. Paul a Prisoner of Jesus Christ." Acts 16:23-26; Eph. 3:1. Singing..... Edie Farnum Reading—"Our Motto"..... Nellie White Recitation..... Leon Green Singing..... Belle Corson Recitation..... May Bassett Reading—"Our Pledge"..... Nellie Root Singing..... Glenn Clever Recitation..... Jennie Stanford Singing..... Missah

The Maccabees will hold their mid-summer 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. will be present and speak upon subjects 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. P. 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 Bay 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 season are in the Bay View Magazine (summer address Bay View). Sent free on application.

A Philadelphia operator of a Linotype machine averaged 3,192 ems an hour for six days, taking the run of the mill on a daily paper. His total for the week was 460,399 ems. No wonder papers having those machines can get out many sheets.

M. S. Keeler & Co's.

MID-SUMMER CLEARANCE SALE

Commencing Saturday, July 24,

Closing Saturday, August 7th, '97.

During these two weeks we shall endeavor to make this Mid-Summer Clearance Sale eclipse all other sales, by selling our entire line of Dress Goods, Clothing, Shoes, Etc., at the lowest prices ever named.

We have a larger stock than we care for at this season of the year and the only way to reduce it, is to put prices down so low that customers will see at once that they are bargains. Note these prices and consider what you will save by patronizing this sale.

Dress Goods		Wash Goods		LINENS		DOMESTICS			
\$1.00	Fine Black Serges	87c	25c fine Organdies and Mulls	17c	75c Table Linens	63c	Fine yd wide Sheeting	4 1/2c	
75c	" " "	65c	15c " " "	9 1/2c	60c " " "	50c	Extra heavy and fine	5 1-2c	
50c	" " and col'd serges	43c	10c Organdies	7 1/2c	50c " " "	43c	Lonsdale 4-4 bleached	7c	
50c	" Novelty Goods	39c	10c " Linings	7 1/2c	35c " " "	27c	Fruit of Loom "	7c	
25c	" " "	21c	12 1/2c best yd. wide Percalé	9 1/2c	12 1/2c Linen Crash	10c	Best heavy Shirting	8c	
\$7.00	" " Patterns	\$5.00	15c wool Challie	10c	10c " " "	8c	Extra good "	6 1/2c	
Now is the time to buy Dress Goods. Dress Goods Remnants close at about 1/2 price.		All the best Prints Staple ck Gingham All Laces and Embroideries at big reductions.		5c 5c 1.50 1.00		\$3.00 per doz. Napkins 2.00 " " " 1.29 " " " .85		12 1/2c Outing Flannel 9c " " 5c	

ANY SMALL CUTS BELOW THESE PRICES, BY OTHER FIRMS, WILL BE PROMPTLY MET BY US.

1-4 OFF Summer Clothing 1-4 OFF

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	Carpets, Rugs, Etc.	GROCERIES
Fine Straw Hats 1/4 off	\$3 and \$3.50 Ladies' fine Shoes \$2.48	Lowell Ingrain Carpets	19 lbs Gran. Sugar \$1.00
\$1.00 negligee Shirts, 85c	2.50 " " " 2.00	Extra super "	22 lbs extra C Sugar 1.00
75c " " 66c	2.00 " " " 1.68	" " all wool	50c Tycoon Tea .40
50c " " 43c	1.50 " " " 1.29	3 doz. Ladies' fine \$2 Shoes, needle toe, close at	32c " " .25
All Summer Underwear, Neckwear, White Shirts, Suspenders, Hosiery, etc., at reduced prices.	2.00 Ladies' Oxford 1.68	\$3.75 Mouquet Rugs \$3.19	Lyons and XXXX Coffee .12
	1.50 " " 1.25	2.50 " " 2.13	Gloss Starch .05
	1.00 " " .85	6.00 per pair Lace Curtains 3.88	Arm & Hammer Soda .05
	Reduction on all Children's Shoes	4.00 " " " 3.00	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.