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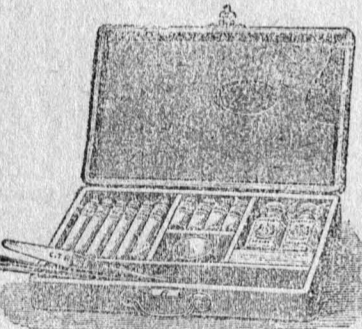
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NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES.

BOWNE BUDGET.

The people of Bowne are taking advantage of the sleighing and filling their ice houses.

A number of pupils are absent this week on account of sickness.

The Sunday school convention will be held at West Bowne Feb. 21st. An interesting program has been prepared. Don't fail to hear it.

The pupils are preparing for the final examination which will occur in the near future.

Miss Pearl Salsbury is visiting her sister, Mrs. Carrie Nellons, for a few days.

Mrs. Mell Remington died last Friday night of rheumatism of the heart. Her remains were brought to Bowne Centre cemetery for burial.

Those of the town of Bowne wishing to take the 8th grade examination are desired to be present at the Bowne Centre school house Feb. 29.

Miss Jessie Fletcher is visiting her many friends in this place. She made a very pleasant call at school, Monday.

Miss Fern Batchelor and brother Joe are visiting friends and relatives here.

Valentine day was remembered at Bowne.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Bunker were calling on relatives at Vergennes last Saturday and Sunday.

BOWEN'S MILLS.

Coldest of the season last Sunday night.

Miss Rena Minar is spending a few days in your village with her sister, Mrs. Nellie Thompson.

Mrs. Joseph Bechtel of Grand Rapids spent a few days of last week with her daughter, Mrs. Guy Pierson.

Elmer King and family are on the sick list.

A. Hunt is numbered among the sick. Osmer Burpee and family intend moving to Grand Rapids in the near future.

Old Mr. Rickard is very feeble at present.

We hear that the singing class at this place intends giving a concert in about three weeks. Mr. Babcock will give another term at this place.

Mrs. Chas. Lattourette, who has been very sick, is no better at this writing.

Miss Pearl Pierson closed a three months' term of school at this place last Saturday.

Masquerade ball at Smith's hall this week Wednesday night.

About twenty-five went last Saturday evening to hear a phonographic entertainment at the church, but the man failed to appear. But, there's no great loss without some small gain, we have our ten cents left.

We are very much in hopes of a milk route from this vicinity to your village this spring. All we lack is the drawer.

CALEDONIA CULLINGS.

Ralph Stowe has been visiting his relatives and old friends around here the past week.

Van Amburg Bros.' store was closed here last week on a chattel mortgage held by O. A. Ball et al. The stock will be sold Feb. 29 to satisfy the mortgage.

The crusaders are holding a series of revival meetings at the M. E. church, having finished their work at East Caledonia. They draw full houses.

Miss Emma Sheldon, who has been visiting friends in East Caledonia, has returned to Richmond, Ind.

George Page of East Caledonia has returned from the west where he has been the past year.

Geo. Buell of Otia has been spending a few days in the village.

Thieves relieved John Colborn of a quantity of hay Saturday night.

John Maloney has rented his farm to H. C. Helrigel and will have an auction sale Feb. 26.

Arthur Krieger has returned from a visit to Saginaw.

W. H. Seibert, J. E. Kennedy and W. O. Barber are among the business men who are sick with the grip.

James D. Malcolm is in Grand Rapids, Greenville and Ionia this week on professional business.

J. E. Kennedy will give another of his popular dances on the evening of the 21st.

The Thornapple Valley pioneer association will hold its annual reunion in Kennedy's hall, this place, Saturday, the 22d. Hon. P. T. Colgrove of Hastings will deliver the address and the usual good time is anticipated. It is the day when all the old settlers of the community gather together to talk over old experiences and have a day of jollity and good cheer and is eagerly looked forward to by all.

Jas. Brock will hold an auction sale stock, tools and household goods at his farm one mile south-west of the village beginning at 9 a. m. Thursday, March 5.

Allan Bechtel was in Grand Rapids Saturday.

DORR DOTTS.

From the Record.

9,000 brook trout were planted in Red Run, west of the village, this morning, by the Michigan State Fish Commission.

Many of our citizens are suffering from an epidemic of catarrhal fever, which in several cases has been very serious, on account of lung fever as a complication.

Mrs. Milo F. Gray has a calla lily that has eight buds on at the present time. This same plant matured six full blossoms at one time, two years ago.

The case of The People vs. Frank Korinko for assault and battery, was taken up in Justice John A. Beamer's court yesterday morning. Respondent pleaded guilty and paid a fine of \$5.00, and \$7.74 costs.

FREEMPORT FLASHES.

From the Herald.

John Lietka is now afflicted with a very sore hand which was struck by a lever while operating his traction engine.

Bennie Gosch of this township and Miss Susie Stahl of Bowne were united in marriage at Bowne Center last Thursday.

A rousing meeting of the stockholders of the Freeport Co-Operative Creamery was held in the village Saturday. It was the annual meeting for the election of officers, and the stockholders were so well pleased with the administration of the incumbents whose term of office expired that they were unanimously re-elected. Following are their names:

President—R. F. Benton.

Secretary—F. D. Brayton.

Treasurer—A. B. Steckle.

Some time between Saturday night and Monday morning burglars entered the store of Wm. Edwards again by breaking out a glass in the rear door. They pried off the money drawer with a hatchet and butter ladle but were not rewarded for their labors, as the change had been removed. They entered the bank by climbing over the safe, but made no attempt to rifle the safe. After laying in a supply of plug tobacco, etc., they abandoned the project of replenishing their pocketbooks.

HASTINGS HITTINGS.

Ray M. Ferguson of Grand Rapids was in town several days last week, tending court.

Louis Goodyear was home from Allegan over Sunday.

Shirley Smith and Dwight Goodyear of Ann Arbor visited home a few days between the semesters this week.

The six months old child of Elam Springer died last Saturday morning.

All victims of the influenza are slowly improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Burton, W. R. Cook and Mrs. Maggie Bailey started for New Orleans and Mexico last Friday on the excursion, to be gone three weeks.

Norman Bailey, an old resident of this place, died last Saturday morning. He was 70 years old. The funeral was held Monday p. m. It was in charge of the Odd Fellows and was largely attended.

The annual meeting of the Barry & Eaton insurance occurred last Tuesday in the opera house. A president, vice-president and four directors were elected. All of the old ones were re-elected except president, S. W. Harmon being elected instead of Mr. Mapes.

The jury in the case of the people vs. Frank Heany, for fraudulently concealing property subject to unfulfilled contract of sale brought in a verdict of guilty. The case of the people vs. Elias and Alonzo McDermid for biting off a man's ear on trial.

NORTH IRVING.

How that wind did blow the first of last week. It did damage, we noticed, at Mr. Crawford's near Irving by blowing the doors off the barn; also the vane and wheel on the windmill was damaged to quite an extent.

Frank Trego knows what a surprise party means now, for the young people of the place treated him to one some nights ago. After music, games and the general entertainment that goes to make up a good time on such occasions had been indulged in for some time, Mr. Shelhouse, in behalf of the friends, presented Frank with a fine gold band gentleman's ring. Frank thanked them just as good as he could under the circumstances, and they all had a good time feeling that it was good for them to have been there.

The Aid ladies did good work last week sewing for the sick and needy.

Mr. Ingram's people are finishing and repairing their house.

Mrs. J. Collars died last Friday, having been sick but a short time. She leaves a husband, five sons and a large circle of friends.

F. Roberts and wife were at Yankee Springs Sunday attending the funeral of a relative.

Those from this place that attended Judge Smith's lecture at Irving Friday evening, speak in highest praise of it.

Those that attended the social at F. Hoes' near Hastings had a good time.

J. Trego don't like to have his horse get scared like it did one day last week because it jerks him around too lively and the weather is too cold to have it jump into the water tank and throw water all over him when he is dressed up for town; it isn't nice nor polite at all, but it did just the same, and John only got his hand hurt some. But my, how scared they all were! Thankful it was no worse.

EAST CALEDONIA.

Melvin Wood of Athens was visiting relatives in this vicinity last week.

Mrs. L. C. Rathbun spent a few days with her daughter, Mrs. H. Menzies, of Alaska last week.

Boyd and Bertha McWhinney were in Grand Rapids Saturday.

L. C. Rathbun and George Welton attended the farmers' institute at Grand Rapids last week.

The crusaders have closed the meetings at this place. They did good work while here, there being over thirty converted.

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IRVING INKLINGS.

"What Faith Can Do for Us" is the subject for the Y. P. S. C. E. next Sunday evening. Miss Jennie Kennedy will lead.

Miss Etta Hubbard came home last Friday and returned Monday to Grand Rapids.

Walter Babcock was calling on Irving friends Friday last week.

A good many of our sick are reported better. Mrs. Avery, Mrs. Freeman and Mrs. Strong are of this list.

The cold snap of February, '95, almost repeated itself the first of this week.

The funeral of Mrs. Kollors was held in the North Irving church last Sunday, conducted by Dr. Winegardner. Mrs. Kollors was highly esteemed by all who knew her and will be greatly missed by friends and neighbors as also by her husband, children and grandchildren. They have the sympathy of the whole community.

The sudden death of the teacher of our school, John P. Soule, was a shock to all Irving. Last Wednesday just before noon he closed the school and went home sick. A physician was called and everything was done that could be for him but he expired Friday a. m. His people were notified and came Friday evening and returned Saturday a. m. with the remains to their home near Jackson. Miss Mable Wilcox and Rev. R. D. Freeman left Saturday afternoon to attend the funeral which was held Sunday. The vacancy in our school has not as yet been filled, but no doubt will be this week and the work go on. Mr. Soule made many friends here in our midst and will be long remembered.

Mrs. B. Brooks of Nashville visited friends here last week.

Charles McCann has been confined to the house for almost a week with the grip. There has been a look of lonesome sadness on the faces of old chums at store and postoffice.

There was no preaching service at the M. E. church Sunday morning.

PARMELEE PICKINGS.

Mr. Watson's family are confined to the house with sickness.

E. R. Skiff was in Hastings today on business.

George Williams will return to Philadelphia before many days pass by. His departure will be regretted by his numerous friends and relatives.

Wallie Watson is at Bowne Center today.

Americus Cline and wife visited Elder Halsey of Freeport Tuesday, after which they went to Fowlersville where they will remain until the latter part of the week.

We hear today that Mr. Amasa Stimson is still confined to the house.

John Kermeen is no better at this writing.

A good many saw-logs are going into the mill-yard since the recent little flurry of snow.

Walt Knickerbocker and wife of East Thornapple called on Mr. Parmelee Monday afternoon, finding the aged pioneer in a very feeble condition.

A. D. Joels will soon finish cutting 200 cords of wood for Mr. Allen, east of the station.

Americus Cline is slowly recovering from the effects of the grip.

Creamery checks made a number of people in Parmelee happy last Saturday.

On account of sickness Leroy Sherk remained at home the greater portion of last week, being unable to attend the school in your village.

Men of long experience tell us that the present is a grand time to trim grape-vines.

A number from this place attended the Salvation Army jubilee meeting in East Caledonia last Friday evening.

Wm. Kepley spent last Sunday with David Benaway's people in West Thornapple.

The schoolmasters of Parmelee spent last Saturday fishing with hook and line in the Thornapple.

The funeral of Mrs. E. J. Beach at the M. E. church last Monday was attended by a large circle of friends and neighbors, who gathered to pay their respects to the departed, thereby manifesting a deep sympathy for the afflicted family. Rev. H. Duane Freeman of Irving was the officiating clergyman and spoke comforting words to the bereaved family. The interment took place at the Parmelee cemetery.

Mrs. O. A. Carpenter and daughter, Clarrie, spent the latter part of last week with relatives near Grand Rapids, returning Saturday evening.

John Mongerson and Mr. A. E. Bass attended the farmers' institute in Grand Rapids last Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

Lorrissa E. Beach, who died at Parmelee Thursday morning, the 13th inst., was born at Hartford, Conn., Aug. 23, 1815. She was the daughter of Silas and Sallie Collins of that city. From Hartford she moved to Catskill, New York, where she met and was married to Ebenezer J. Beach. Mrs. Beach was a good wife and excellent mother. Her nearly 81 years of life have been full of usefulness. Her husband and all her children survive her and were in attendance at her funeral. Mrs. Beach was a sister of Mrs. Colinda Curtis, late of Middleville, and was an aunt of Mrs. Lorenzo Baker of Parmelee. A long and useful Christian life is terminated. She has her reward, the reward of a Christian.

Yes, she lies in yonder hillside Buried in the sleep of death. And my heart is buried with her. Perished with her latest breath.

Yes, she is dead, is gone before me. And I perish 'mid the sands of time Which are softly drifting 'o'er me. And oblivion, sweet oblivion, will soon be mine.

WASHINGTON AS A STATESMAN.

Washington's Greatest Honor, Like All His Honors, Came Unsought.

ANY of the great soldiers of history have been equally distinguished as statesmen. Caesar, Cromwell and Napoleon all had a genius for government as well as for war. It takes a great mind and will and self-control and moral purpose, to make a military commander of a civil ruler of the first order. This means a great man.

Revolutions in modern civil governments are generally marked by three successive stages or conditions. First comes the conflict of ideas, the protests and remonstrances against grievances and oppression; then the actual contest of arms; and last, the healing of the wounds of war, the rebuilding and reorganization after its havoc and confusion. It is in this last stage that the statesman comes to the front, after the agitator, the orator and the soldier has each played his part.

At such a critical hour—really darker and more perilous than any hour during the war—it was George Washington who again saved the country and the cause of liberty in America—saved them now in this deadly peace as he had once saved them on the battlefield. As I read the history of that time, I am more and more impressed with the conviction—and I wonder that the fact has not been made more prominent—that had it not been for Washington's great influence and activity in calling that constitutional convention, it might probably have never been held; and after it was held had he not been its president and most influential member, it might never have agreed upon a draft to submit to the people; and then, even after that, but for his great name and influence and his active and tireless efforts in its behalf, it might never have been ratified by the requisite number of States. History shows that it is by fortuitous circumstances, or providences, that nations and great causes are saved—a man at the right juncture, an influence at the right time, a word at the right moment.

When the first President of the new republic was to be elected, all eyes were turned to Washington, and he was unanimously chosen. Not a vote was cast against him. No other name was even suggested or thought of. What a tribute and proof of his pre-eminence, when it is remembered that the country was full of able men—orators and statesmen like Patrick Henry, Adams and Jefferson, and Lee and Rutledge and Hancock, and a score of others. This great honor, like all his honors, came to Washington unsought, and he accepted it, as he had others, with distrustful modesty and from a sense of public duty. After the impressive inaugural ceremony in New York he announced his cabinet, and the new government was fairly launched. He called Hamilton to the treasury and Jefferson to the State Department. What president and patriotic wisdom at the outset! These were the two places of pressing moment and responsibility. The new government was starting without money or credit or commerce, and heavily in debt; with independence, but without weight or standing among the nations. Washington knew the genius of Hamilton, who had been his military secretary in the revolution; he knew the resources of that wonderful mind, and so he called him to this place of first responsibility, where he soon brought order out of confusion, put the national credit upon its feet, and, as Webster said, "smote the rock of our national resources until streams of revenue gushed forth." Who so fit to give character to the other place of state as the learned, the philosophic, the patriotic Jef-



PORTRAIT OF WASHINGTON AT 25.

erson, the author of the immortal Declaration of Independence? Knox, the sturdy New England soldier, was made Secretary of War, and Randolph, the able Virginia lawyer, Attorney General—the only remaining places then in the cabinet. Surely, if judgment of men be one of the highest tests of fitness to rule, it was here illustrated in a pre-eminent degree.

Washington was a practical statesman. His mind was of the solid, practical order. When it came to executive duty he was a model of business, of order and law. But he not only recognized his obligation to the people and to the law, but he was ever mindful of the still higher obligation to the principles of justice and humanity. As early as 1786, just after the revolution, he wrote: "There is no man living who wishes more sincerely than I do to see a plan adopted for the abolition of slavery." And these noble words he put into practical effect by the emancipation of his own slaves by will, humanely providing for the support of the aged and infirm among them.

It took the lightnings and the thunders, the havoc and the desolation of a great civil war and the sacrifice of half a million lives to bring about the great result which Washington desired so peacefully to accomplish. But, thank God, his noble example was not lost, and now North and South, again united, with slavery gone forever, join hands in the great peaceful work of the future as they did in those dark days of trial and peril in the long war, for independence, when the great leader leaned on them both for support.

WASHINGTON'S MOTHER.

Described by Lafayette as the Only Roman Matron of the Day.

The bravest battle that ever was fought, Shall I tell you where and when? On the maps of the world you'll find it not;

It was fought by the mothers of men. A hundred years have rolled by since the revered form of Mary Ball Washington was laid at rest in Fredericksburg.

GEORGE WASHINGTON.



"Interwoven as is the love of liberty with every ligament of your hearts, no recommendation of mine is necessary to fortify or confirm the attachment. The unity of government, which constitutes you one people, is also now dear to you. It is justly so, for it is a main pillar in the edifice of your real independence, the support of your tranquility at home, your peace abroad; of your safety; of your prosperity; of that very Liberty which you so highly prize. But it is easy to foresee that, from different causes and from different quarters, much pains will be taken, many artifices employed, to weaken in your minds the conviction of this truth; as this is the point in your political fortress against which the batteries of internal and external enemies will be most constantly and actively (though often covertly and insidiously) directed, it is of infinite moment that you should properly estimate the immense value of your national Union to your collective and indi-

vidual happiness; that you should cherish a cordial, habitual and immovable attachment to it; accustoming yourselves to think and speak of it as the Palladium of your political safety and prosperity; watching for its preservation with jealous anxiety; discountenancing whatever may suggest even a suspicion that it can in any event be abandoned; and indignantly frowning upon the first dawning of every attempt to alienate any portion of our country from the rest, or to enfeeble the sacred ties which now link together the various parts. For this you have every inducement of sympathy and interest. Citizens, by birth or choice, of a common country, that country has a right to concentrate your affections. The name of American, which belongs to you, in your national capacity, must always exalt the just pride of patriotism more than any appellation derived from local discriminations."—From Washington's Farewell Address.

Va. For nearly fifty years the grave of this type of the Roman matron, this dead mother of a hero, lay entirely unmarked. Then, in 1833, a citizen of the metropolis, Hon. Silas E. Burrows, offered to erect a monument at his own expense. The corner stone was laid with impressive ceremonies by President Jackson. Disaster shortly afterward came to the generous donor, and for another half century the grave of Washington's mother lay neglected, save that an obelisk, unrelated to a neighboring pedestal, lay near by, to designate the hallowed spot. The movement inaugurated by patriotic American women only a few years ago to revive ancestral memories and renew fealty to the traditions of their revolutionary ancestors, brought into being the Mary Washington Association. The monument to Mary Washington became an established fact. The shaft was raised, and this eleventh-hour memorial to a sainted mother is marked upon the page of history.

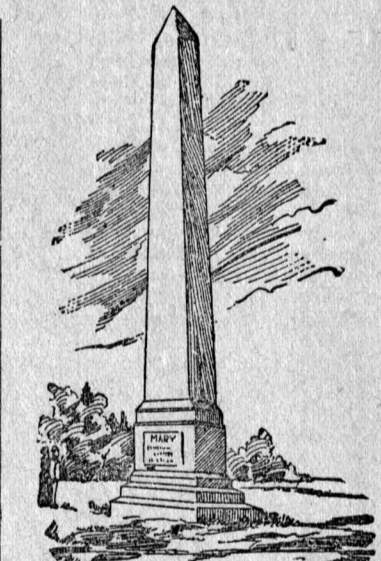
Mary Ball was well born, inheriting an ample fortune; and, even at an early age, forecasting the imperial estate she was destined to attain. In the old family Bible Mary Ball's marriage is inscribed as having taken place on the sixth of March, 1730. The same old Bible records the birth of "the Father of His Country" on "ye 11th of February, 1731-2, about 10 in the morning." Mary Washington's features bore a striking resemblance to what is believed to be the most literal effigy of Gen. Washington extant—the bust by Houdon, sculptured from the death mask of the hero. In person, Mary Washington was of medium size and well proportioned, with an erect carriage and a dignity of bearing giving something of stateliness to her presence. Her features were regular and strongly marked, her brow noble in outline and her eyes a perfect blue. She had in her expression that mingled atmosphere of sweetness and latent sternness that characterize the familiar portraits of her son.

Twice during her later years she was called upon for memorable leave takings—the parting with Lafayette, before he sailed for France, and the solemn farewell to her son at a later date. When her blessing upon his journey home, was invoked by Lafayette, she prayed, with clasped hands and uplifted face, that "God might grant him every blessing of safety, happiness, prosperity and peace." "I have seen the only Roman matron of the day," said Lafayette. It was in April, 1789, that Washington, having been elected to the presidency, came to ask God-speed of his venerable mother before entering upon his career of state. With a premonition born of prescience the heroic old mother insisted that this fateful meeting would be their last. Her benediction and farewell were in the following words:

"You will see me no more," she said; "I shall not be long for this world; I trust in God; I am prepared for a better. But go, George, and fulfill the high destiny which Heaven appears to assign you. Go, my son, and may that Heaven and your mother's blessing be always with you."

When the supreme moment of parting came and went, she sank in a chair lost in reverie, and her grandson found her with drooping head and eyes that saw not. Less than three months after, wasted with the disease, which even then had fastened its death-like fangs upon her, she passed away in her eighty-third year. A widow for nearly half a century, Mary Washington remained loyal to the memory of her cherished mate, who died in his fiftieth year.

The women in America never before so



MONUMENT TO WASHINGTON'S MOTHER.

successfully joined hands in an action not only in itself historic and memorable, but pointing for all time the possibilities that may be achieved by unity of thought, working to the accomplishment of an exalted purpose. In the annals of the heroes of the world, it will be remembered that to these daughters of revolutionary ancestors was due the lasting tribute to the mother of Washington, which stands at Fredericksburg, Va.

What She Was Doing. Mistress (calling upstairs)—What on earth are you doing to that child, Sarah, to make it scream so? Sarah—Nothing, ma'am. I'm spanking it to make it stop.—Judge.

THE LAT ST VERSION.



The Elder Washington (in surprise)—George, my boy, how did you get such a tremendous brood of young chickens? Little G. W. (proudly)—I cannot tell a lie, father; I did it with my little hatchet.

THE TRUMPET BLAST.

REV. DR. TALMAGE ON "BRINGING IN THE SHEAVES."

He Shows How Some Mighty Sicknesses May Be Used for the Gospel Harvest—A Powerful Sermon to an Immense Throng.

The Harvest Is Ripe. Dr. Talmage preached Sunday at Washington to an immense concourse. The subject of his sermon was "Bringing in the Sheaves," the text being Joel iii., 13, "Put ye in the sickle, for the harvest is ripe."

The sword has been poetized, and the world has celebrated the sword of Bolivar, the sword of Cortes and the sword of Lafayette. The pen has been properly eulogized, and the world has celebrated the pen of Addison, the pen of Southey and the pen of Irving. The painter's pencil has been honored, and the world has celebrated the pencil of Murillo, the pencil of Rubens and the pencil of Bierstadt. The sculptor's chisel has come in for high encomium, and the world has celebrated Chantrey's chisel, and Crawford's chisel, and Greenough's chisel. But there is one instrument about which I sing the first canto that was ever sung—the sickle, the sickle of the Bible, the sickle that has reaped the harvest of many centuries. Sharp and bent into a semicircle and glittering, this reaping hook, no longer than your arm, has furnished the bread for thousands of years. Its successes has produced the wealth of nations. It has had more to do with the world's progress than sword and pen and pencil and chisel all put together. Christ puts the sickle into exquisite sermonic simile, and you see that instrument flash all up and down the Apocalypse as St. John swings it, while through Joel in my text God commands the people, as through his servants now he commanded them, "Put ye in the sickle, for the harvest is ripe."

Estimate of Values.

Last November there was great rejoicing all over the land. With trumpet and cornet and organ and thousand voiced psalm we praised the Lord for the temporal harvests. We praised God for the wheat, the rye, the oats, the cotton, the rice, all the fruits of the orchard and all the grains of the field, and the nation never does a better thing than when in the autumn it gathers to festivity and thanks God for the greatness of the harvest. But I come to-day to speak to you of richer harvests, even the spiritual. How shall we estimate the value of a man? We say he is worth so many dollars, or he has achieved such and such a position, but we know very well there are some men at the top of the ladder who ought to be at the bottom and some at the bottom who ought to be at the top, and the only way to estimate a man is by his soul. We all know that we shall live forever. Death cannot kill us. Other crafts may be drawn into the whirlpool or shivered on the rocks, but this life within us will weather all storms and drop no anchor and 10,000,000 years after death will shake out signals on the high seas of eternity. You put the mendicant off your doorstep and say he is only a beggar, but he is worth all the gold of the mountains, worth all the pearls of the sea, worth the solid earth, worth sun and moon and stars, worth the entire material universe. Take all the paper that ever came from the paper mills and put it side by side and sheet by sheet and let men with feebler pens make figures on that paper for 10,000 years, and they will only have begun to express the value of the soul. Suppose I owned Colorado and Nevada and Australia, of how much value would that be to me one moment after I departed this life? How much of Philadelphia does Stephen Girard own to-day? How much of Boston property does Abbott Lawrence own to-day? The man who to-day hath a dollar in his pocket hath more worldly estate than the millionaire who died last year. How do you suppose I feel, standing here surrounded by a multitude of souls, each one worth more than the material universe? Oh, was I not right in saying this spiritual harvest is richer than the temporal harvest? I must tighten the girdle. I must sharpen the sickle. I must be careful how I swing the instrument for gathering the grain lest one stalk be lost.

One of the most powerful sickles for reaping this spiritual harvest is the preaching of the gospel. If the sickle have a rosewood handle, and it be adorned with precious stones, and yet it cannot bring down the grain, it is not much of a sickle, and preaching amounts to nothing unless it harvests souls for God. Shall we preach philosophy? The Ralph Waldo Emersons could beat us at that. Shall we preach science? The Agassizes beat us at that. The minister of Jesus Christ with weakest arm going forth in earnest prayer and wielding this sickle of the gospel shall find the harvest all around him waiting for the angel sheaf binders. Oh, this harvest of souls! I notice in the fields that the farmer did not stand upright when he gathered the grain. I noticed he had to stoop in his work, and I noticed in order to bind the sheaves the better he had to put his knee upon them. And as we go forth in this work for God we cannot stand upright in our rhetoric and our metaphysics and our erudition. We have to stoop to our work. Aye, we have to put our knee to it, or we will never gather sheaves for the Lord's garner. Peter swung that sickle on the day of Pentecost, and 3,000 sheaves came in. Richard Baxter swung that sickle at Kidderminster, and McCheyne at Dundee, and vast multitudes came into the kingdom of our God.

The Mighty Gospel.

Oh, this is a mighty gospel! It captured not only John, the lamb, but Paul, the lion. Men may gnash their teeth at it and clinch their fists, but it is the power of God and the wisdom of God unto salvation. But, alas, if it is only preached in pulpits and on Sabbath days! We must go forth into our stores, our shops, our banking houses, our factories, and the streets, and everywhere preach Christ. We stand in our pulpits for two hours on the Sabbath and commend Christ to the people, but there are 168 hours in the week, and what are the two hours on the Sabbath against the 166? Oh, there comes down the ordination of God this day upon all the people, men who toil with head and hand and foot—the ordination comes upon all merchants, upon all mechanics, upon all toilers, and God says to you as he says to me: "Go, teach all nations." He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved, and he that believeth not shall be damned. Mighty gospel, let the whole earth hear it! The story of Christ is to regenerate

the nations; it is to eradicate all wrong; it is to turn the earth into a paradise. An old artist painted the "Lord's Supper," and he wanted the chief attention directed to the face of Christ. When he invited his friends in to criticize the picture, they admired the chalice more than they did the face, and the old artist said, "This picture is a failure," and he dashed out the picture of the cups and said: "I shall have nothing to detract from the face of the Lord. Christ is the all of this picture."

Another powerful sickle for the reaping of this harvest is Christian song. I know in many churches the whole work is delegated to a few people standing in the organ loft. But, my friends, as others cannot repent for us and others cannot die for us we cannot delegate to others the work of singing for us. While a few drilled artists shall take the chants and execute the more skillful music, when the hymn is given out let there be hundreds and thousands of voices uniting in the acclamation. On the way to grandeur that never ceases and glories that never die let us sing. At the battle of Lutzen a general came to the king and said: "Those soldiers are singing as they are going into battle. Shall I stop them?" "No," said the king. "Men that can sing like that can fight." Oh, the power of Christian song! When I argue here, you may argue back. The argument you make against religion may be more skillful than the argument I make in behalf of religion. But who can stand before the pathos of some uplifted song like that which we sometimes sing:

Show pity, Lord; O Lord, forgive! Let a repenting rebel live! Are not thy mercies large and free? May not a sinner trust in thee?

An Effective Sickle.

Another mighty sickle for the reaping of the gospel harvest is prayer. What does God do with our prayers? Does he go on the battlements of heaven and throw them off? No. What do you do with gifts given you by those who love you very much? You keep them with great sacredness. And do you suppose God will take our prayers, offered in the sincerity and love of our hearts, and scatter them to the winds? Oh, no! He will answer them all in some way. Oh, what a mighty thing prayer is! It is not a long rignarole of "ohs" and "ahs" and "for ever and ever, amen." It is a breathing of the heart into the heart of God. Oh, what a mighty thing prayer is! Elijah with it reached up to the clouds and shook down the showers. With it John Knox shook Scotland. With it Martin Luther shook the earth. And when Philipp Melancthon lay sick unto death, as many supposed, Martin Luther came in and said, "Philipp, we can't spare you." "Oh," said he, "Martin, you must let me go! I am tired of persecution and tired of life. I want to go to be with my God." "No," said Martin Luther, "you shall not go. You must take this food, and then I will pray for you." "No, Martin," said Melancthon, "you must let me go." Martin Luther said, "You take this food, or I will excommunicate you." He took the food, and Martin Luther knelt down and prayed as only he could pray, and convalescence came, and Martin Luther went back and said to his friends, "God has saved the life of Philipp Melancthon in direct answer to my prayer." Oh, the power of prayer! Have you tested it?

Dr. Prime, of New York, in his beautiful book entitled, "Around the World," described a mausoleum in India which it took 20,000 men twenty-two years to build—that and the buildings surrounding—and he says, "Standing in that mausoleum and uttering a word, it is echoed back from a height of 150 feet—not an ordinary echo, but a prolonged music, as though there were angels hovering in the air." And every word of earnest prayer we utter has an echo not from the marble cupola of an earthly mausoleum, but from the heart of God and from the wings of angels as they hover, crying, "Behold, he prays!" Oh, test it! Mighty sickle for reaping this gospel harvest, the sickle of prayer!

Forms of Little Consequence.

It does not make so much difference about the posture you take, whether you sit, stand or kneel or lie on your face or on your physical agonies lie on your back. It does not make any difference about the physical posture, as was shown in a hospital, when the chaplain said as he looked over the beds of the suffering: "Let all those wounded men here who would like to be prayed for lift the hand." Some lifted two hands; others lifted one hand; some with hands amputated could only lift the stump of the arm. One man, both his arms amputated, could give no signal except to say: "Me! Me!" Oh, it does not make any difference about the rhetoric of your prayers. It does not make any difference about the posture. It does not make any difference whether you can lift a hand or have no hand to lift. God is ready to hear you. Prayer is answered. God is waiting to respond.

"Lift up your eyes upon the fields, for they are white already to harvest." How many have you reaped for God? Do you ask me how many I have reaped for God? I cannot say. Now, can you say how many you have reaped? I hope there are some who have been brought into the kingdom of God through your instrumentality. Have there not been? Not one? You, a man 35, 40, 50 years of age and not one? I see souls coming up to glory. Here is a Sunday school teacher bringing ten or fifteen souls. Here is a tract distributor bringing in forty or fifty souls. Here is a man you never heard of who has been very useful in bringing souls to God. He comes with 150 souls. They are the sheaves of his harvest. How many have you brought? Not one—can it be? What will God say? What will the angels say? Better crouch down in some corner of heaven and never show yourself. Oh, that harvest is to be reaped now! And that is this instant. Why not be reaped for God this hour?

"Oh," says some man, "I have been going on the wrong road for thirty, forty or fifty years. I have gone through the whole catalogue of crime and must first get myself fixed up." Ah, you will never get yourself fixed up until Christ takes you in charge! You get worse and worse until he comes to the rescue. "Not the righteous—sinners Jesus came to call." So, you see, I take the very worst case there is. If there is a man here who feels he is all right in heart and life, I am not talking to him, for he is probably a hypocrite. I will talk to him some other time. But if there is a man who feels himself all wrong, to him I address myself. Though you be wounded in the hands, and wounded in the feet, and wounded in the head, and wounded in the heart, and though the gangrene of eternal death be upon you one drop of the elixir of divine life will cure your soul. Though you be soaked in evil indulgences, though your feet have gone in unclean places, though

you have championed with the abandoned and the lost, one touch of divine grace will save your soul.

"Whosoever Will."

I do not say that you will not have struggles after that. Oh, no! But they will be a different kind of struggle. You go into that battle, and all hell is against you, and you are alone, and you fight, and you fight, weaker and weaker and weaker, until at last you fall and the powers of darkness trample on your soul. But in the other case you go into the battle, and you fight stronger and stronger and stronger until the evil propensity goes down, and you get the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Oh, come out of your sins! Have you not been bruised with sin long enough? Have you not carried that load long enough? Have you not fought that battle long enough?

I rattle the gates of your sepulcher to-day. I take the trumpet of the gospel and blow the long, loud blast. Roland went into battle. Charlemagne's army had been driven back by the three armies of the Saracens, and Roland, in almost despair, took up the trumpet and blew three blasts in one of the mountain passes, and under the power of those three blasts the Saracens recoiled and fled in terror. But history says that when he had blown the third blast Roland's trumpet broke.

I take this trumpet of the gospel and blow the first blast, "Whosoever will." I blow the second blast, "Seek ye the Lord while he may be found." I blow the third blast, "Now is the accepted time." But the trumpet does not break. It was handed down by our forefathers to us, and we will hand it down to our children, that after we are dead they may blow the trumpet, telling the world that we have a pardoning God, a loving God, a sympathetic God, and that more to him than the throne on which he sits is the joy of seeing a prodigal put his finger on the latch of his father's house.

I invite any one the most infidel, any one the most esthetic. I invite him into the kingdom of God with just as much heartiness as those who have for fifty years been under the teaching of the gospel and believed it all. When I was living in Philadelphia, a gentleman told me of a scene in which he was a participant. In Callowhill street, in Philadelphia, there had been a powerful meeting going on for some time, and many were converted, and among others one of the prominent members of the worst clubhouse in that city. The next night the leader of that clubhouse, the president of it, resolved that he would endeavor to get his comrade away. He came to the door, and before he entered he heard a Christian song, and under its power his soul was agitated. He went in and asked for prayer. Before he came out he was a subject of converting mercy. The next night another comrade went to reclaim the two who had been lost to their sinful circle. He went, and under the power of the Holy Ghost became a changed man, and the work went on until they were all saved and the infamous clubhouse disbanded. Oh, it is a mighty gospel! Though you came here a child of sin, you can go away a child of grace. You can go away singing:

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound That saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but now am found— Was blind, but now I see.

Faith Defied.

Oh, give up your sins! Most of your life is already gone. Your children are going on the same wrong road. Why do you not stop? "This day is salvation come to thy house." Why not this moment look up into the face of Christ and say:

Just as I am, without one plea But that thy blood was shed for me, And that thou bid'st me come to thee— O Lamb of God, I come, I come!

God is going to save you. You are going to be among the shining ones. After the toils of life are over you are going up to the everlasting rest. You are going up to join your loved ones, departed parents and departed children. "Oh, my God," says some man, "how can I come to thee? I am so far off. Who will help me? I am so weak? It seems such a great undertaking." Oh, my brother, it is a great undertaking! It is so great you cannot accomplish it, but Christ can do the work. He will correct your heart, and he will correct your life. "Oh," you say, "I will stop profanity." That will not save you. "Oh," you say, "I will stop Sabbath breaking." That will not save you. There is only one door into the kingdom of God, and that is faith; only one ship that sails for heaven, and that is faith. Faith the first step, the second step, the hundredth step, the thousandth step, the last step. By faith we enter the kingdom. By faith we keep in. In faith we die. Heaven is a reward of the faith. The earthquake shook down the Philippian dungeon. The jailer said, "What shall I do?" Some of you would say, "Better get out of the place before the walls crush you." What did the apostle say? "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved." "Ah," you say, "there's the rub!" What is faith? Suppose you were thirsty, and I offered you this glass of water, and you believed I meant to give it to you, and you came up and took it. You exercise faith. You believe I mean to keep my promise. Christ offers you the water of everlasting life. You take it. This is faith.

Enter into the kingdom of God. Enter now. The door of life is set wide open. I plead with you by the bloody sweat of Gethsemane and the death groan of Golgotha, by cross and crown, by Pilate's courtroom and Joseph's sepulcher, by harps and chains, by kingdoms of light and realms of darkness, by the trumpet of the archangel that shall wake the dead and by the throne of the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb that you attend now to the things of eternity. Oh, what a sad thing it will be if, having come so near heaven, we miss it! Oh, to have come within sight of the shining pinnacles of the city and not have entered! Oh, to have been so near we have seen the mighty throng enter, and we not joining them! Angels of God, fly this way! Good news for you. Tell the story among the redeemed on high. If there be one there especially longing for our salvation, let that one know it now. We put down our sorrows. Glory be to God for such a hope, for such a pardon, for such a joy, for such a heaven, for such a Christ!

Sousa's Income Has Grown.

A few years ago Sousa's entire income was the \$1,200 he received as manager of the United States Marine Band. Last year his royalties on his marches amounted to \$25,000. Mr. Sousa is a native of Washington, where he has lived most of his life, and he is 40 years of age. His father was a musician before him, and his first appearance in public as a performer was made when he was 10 years old.

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LOUISE MICHEL, ANARCHIST.

Louise Michel, the Paris "queen of anarchy," who, it is reported, is coming to this country to raise money to found a home for political refugees in England, is an educated woman, reads Greek, Latin and English readily, and her voice and pen are ever at the service of the cause to which she has devoted her life. Her figure is slight, but her physiognomy strong, in manner and conversation she is brusque and impatient. Her complexion is fresh, though she lives in a miserable room in the garret of a large apartment house outside of the fortifications, where she has two desks heaped with literary rubbish. She has a stove, a parrot and a dog to befriend the atmosphere and increase the dirt. A visitor once said: "The only clean thing in the unclean whole was Louise Michel."

"I am an anarchist, but I do not asso-



LOUISE MICHEL, Queen of French Anarchists.

ciate with any class of socialists," said this famous iconoclast once in reply to a question, and then she added, "I am in favor of right and harmony instead of force. Women must do their work individually. I do not believe in giving them the ballot. Look at the foolish things men have done with it! Would women be less foolish?"

Louise Michel was born in 1833, and it is said that she has royal blood in her veins. She was never handsome, but when she speaks she sets the crowd aflame. Her voice is harsh, but her keen eyes and strong face thrust out seem to catch hold of her auditors before she speaks. Before the war of 1870 she wanted to kill the emperor. During the commune she was in the thickest of the mischief, organizing clubs and revolutionary meetings. Wounded in the defense of Fort Issy against the Versailles troops she was afterward banished to New Caledonia. She was pardoned in 1880 and returned to Paris to renew the agitation. For participation in the black flag riot of 1883 she was sentenced to six years' imprisonment, but was pardoned by President Grevy.

"A woman of ideas, but a fool," is the Parisian silhouette of Louise Michel—Paris letter.

Current Condensations.

Last September was the hottest in 150 years in Paris.

There were 3,108 students in attendance at the seven Swiss universities last summer.

Aroostook County, Maine, one of the biggest potato-growing districts in the East, will put about 6,000,000 bushels of potatoes on the market this season.

Birmingham is the greatest brass-making town in the world, and it keeps in steady employment an average of 7,000 brass workers. Paris comes in a good second.

France has sent out invitations for a conference next year to the States that took part in the literary convention of Berne in 1886, and adopted the present agreement for international copyright. The rules are to be revised.

To provide troops for Cuba, Spain is making raids on the Canary Islands, seizing all the men that can be found. When a steamer appears in sight now the inhabitants make for the hills, and few young men are to be seen in the towns.

A Los Angeles brickmaker has invented an oil burner for bricks that is the finest of its kind to regulate the heat satisfactorily. He says that it costs \$1.75 to \$2 to burn 1,000 bricks with wood, while it costs only 60 cents to 75 cents with the oil burner.

An Englishman claims to have invented a safety purse for ladies. It has two straps, one of which is attached to a ring that slips over the finger, while the other ends in a narrow band of leather that clasps round the waist. It is impossible to drop it or have it wrenched away.

MARY ANDERSON'S WARDROBE.

But One Stage Costume for Five Five-Act Plays.

Three months elapsed between Mary Anderson's first appearance on the stage and her second performance—"a heart-breaking interval," writes Mrs. de Navarro in Ladies' Home Journal. Manager Macaulay, of Louisville, Kentucky, then offered her his theater again for a week and she presented the chief roles in five plays: "Fazio," "The Hunchback," "Evadne," "The Lady of Lyons" and "Romeo and Juliet." Of her first week's engagement she writes: "At the end of the week I was in debt to the manager for the sum of one dollar, the houses having been large enough only to cover the running expenses. All I had gained by a week of hard work was a sad heart and a very sore throat. Besides, creditors became unpleasantly importunate, for my scanty wardrobe was not yet paid for. This consisted of a white satin dress, simply made, which did service for all the parts. It sparkled in silver trimming for 'Juliet,' was covered with pink roses for 'Fazio,' became gay in green and gold for 'Evadne,' and cloudy with white lace for 'Pauline.' The unfortunate gown owned its many changes to the nimble and willing fingers of my mother, who spent much time each day in its metamorphoses. A train of velvet, a white muslin dress and a modern black silk gown (which, like 'Mrs. Toodles,' we thought 'would be so useful,' but which had to be discarded after its first appearance) completed my wardrobe—surely a meager one for five plays of five acts each, requiring at least twelve gowns. We had built up financial as well as artistic hopes for that week, and were disappointed in both. But it proved more successful than was at first thought, for shortly after Ben De Bar (one of the greatest 'Falstaffs' of his time) engaged me for six nights at his St. Louis theater. At the end of that time I found myself in his debt for the sum of six hundred dollars; but the houses had steadily improved, and the press was filled with long articles enthusiastic about the present and full of predictions about the future."

Presence of Mind.

Just outside the city of Boston there is a railroad crossing which has become famous as a place of danger. All this, however, does not hinder workmen from walking home on the track, or diving under the wooden-fringed bars that are dropped for every passing train.

Not long ago a young woman heard the familiar danger whistle of an engine, and leaning out of the window, saw a laborer on the track. He leaped quickly to the inner track, at the sound of the whistle, looked rather dazed, and not seeing the express, which was thundering along so close behind him that everybody was dumb and motionless except the quick-witted little woman at the window, who cried, "Help! help! help!" at the top of her voice, at the same time beckoning the man to come to her.

As she thought, the instincts of the man made him start toward the window, and the quick movement to help a woman in supposed distress saved his life.

The express rushed past, the man stood still in bewilderment, the woman waved her hand in token of her safety, and as it slowly dawned upon the poor fellow that she had saved his life, he dropped his dinner-pail, pulled off his cap and saluted her, after which he crossed himself, picked up his tin pail, and proceeded homeward, as far from the railroad track as he could get.

Dull Servants.

People who expect persons of brains to be willing to serve them in a menial relation continue to have trouble with their servants. A certain man hired a valet, and the very first morning sent him to a closet to fetch a pair of shoes. The valet returned presently with two shoes.

"Stupid!" said the master. "These are two rights. Look at them!" The valet took the shoes and went back to the closet. After a few moments he came back with the same shoes, and said:

"I'm sorry, sir, but the other pair in there are both lefts." This is matched by the experience of a lady with her new maid.

"Mary," she said to the girl, "take this tape-measure and measure the width of your room. I am going to give you a new carpet."

In a few minutes the girl came down. "I'm sorry, mum," she said, "but I can't measure the room."

"Why not?" "The tape-line isn't long enough."

No Water in the Sun.

Professor Janssen, the astronomer, has recently made a visit to the observatory on the summit of Mont Blanc, to make sure that the new telescope which has been carried there is uninjured. He took the opportunity to search in the spectrum of the sun for evidences of water in our great luminary. He found no such evidences. The very rare and dry air through which the observation was made, at the top of the mountain, gives this negative result much value. But it cannot be said that there is no water in the sun; only that none has yet been discovered in its constitution.

They Are Lovers Still.

Mr. Trotter (renewing an old acquaintance)—And is that little black-eyed Kilduff girl as dear to you now as she was several years ago? Mr. Spatts—Oh, much dearer. I have to pay her \$100 a month alimony now.—Exchange.

A Northern exchange asks: "Why do most authors wear their hair long?" "Because barbers cut for cash."—Atlanta Constitution.

Very Awkward Indeed.

This is precisely the kind of mistake a man makes if he "turns out" on the wrong side of the road when a vehicle comes toward him. No less absurd is the error of the individual who takes drastic medicines to relieve his liver. That organ is on the right side, and the road to its relief is Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, a medicine also adapted to the relief of dyspepsia, constipation, kidney and rheumatic ailments and malaria.

Delft Ware.

Delft ware was earthenware, first made in and near the town of Delft, in Holland, about the end of the sixteenth century. The best of it is blue and white only, cheaper and more common specimens are in green, yellow and red with blue and purple. Little artistic ware has been made in Delft for nearly 200 years. There is no book in English devoted wholly to Delft ware and its history, but any book on pottery will have something about it. In French is a book by Harvard, published in 1878, called "Faience de Delft."

Low Rates South.

On Feb. 4 and March 3, the Monon Route will sell tickets from Chicago to all points in the South at exceedingly low rates: Abbeville, Ga., \$15.30; Decatur, Ala., \$10.65; Chattanooga, Tenn., \$10.75; Jacksonville, Fla., \$18.10; Memphis, Tenn., \$11.10; New Orleans, La., \$17.05; St. Augustine, Fla., \$18.65; Tampa, Fla., \$21; Mobile, Ala., \$16.05; and all other points at proportionately low rates. For further information address L. E. Sessions, Trav. Pass. Agt., Minneapolis, Minn., or City Ticket Office, 232 Clark street, Chicago, Ill.

Rev. J. M. Buckley, editor of the Christian Advocate and one of the best known men in the Methodist church, while in Indianapolis recently, visited a Methodist church whose pastor did not recognize him. The pastor suspected from his appearance that he was a minister and asked him to preach. He understood him to say that his name was Butler, and the editor was introduced as "Brother Butler, a stranger from New York."

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We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

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A Great Chance to Make Money.

Mr. Editor—I read how Mr. Jones made money. I have a better job taking orders for the new Fireproof Deposit Case for storing deeds, mortgages, notes, policies, receipts, money and valuables from fire. Every family or farmer buys. I sell for World Mfg. Co. (32 2d) Columbus, Ohio, cleared \$27 first week, \$30 second, first month \$147. Sister made \$23 last week selling National Dish Washer for same firm. Light, easy work, honest firm; any one can make money by writing them. J. C. BARRETT.

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THE RISING SUN STOVE POLISH
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STATIONS.	Det	Exp	NY	Ngt	F
	Exp	Dly	Exp	Exp	Exp
Grand Rapids Lv.	7:00	1:00	6:00	11:00	4:00
Middleville.....	7:35	1:37	6:35	12:13	8:4
Hastings.....	7:52	1:50	6:52	12:49	9:9
Jackson Ar.....	9:50	3:50	9:00	3:40	5:3
Detroit Ar.....	12:20	6:40	11:15	7:10
	p m	p m	p m	a m	p m

WESTWARD BOUND.

STATIONS.	Pac	Spl	M.I.	G.R.	Fr
	Exp	Dly	Exp	Exp	Exp
Grand Rapids Ar	5:00	6:40	11:45	10:20	4:0
Middleville.....	3:57	5:58	11:03	9:38	2:1
Hastings.....	2:55	5:40	10:40	9:19	1:1
Jackson Lv.....	12:01	1:50	8:45	7:30	7:1
Detroit Lv.....	8:45	2:00	6:30	4:35
	p m	a m	p m	a m	p m

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THE MIDDLEVILLE SUN
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 1896.

The outlook is now favorable to the holding of both republican and democratic state conventions in Grand Rapids.

Grand Rapids has electric lights and power running from water power in Lowell twenty miles away. As much water power as goes to waste in our village it seems as though Middleville certainly ought to have electric lights. Many smaller towns in the state are putting in electric plants.

Grand Rapids township, in which the State Soldiers' Home is situated, is considerably agitated over the outcome of the soldiers' vote in the local issues. The new law gives them the franchise there and there are 600 of them, not one of whom has any property or family interests in the result. The law, so far as local township officers are concerned is wrong, but as to state, congressional and legislative elections, it is right. The people of Michigan will soon come to this view.—Hastings Journal.

The Youth's Companion of February 13th publishes an unusually valuable article for young men, by the Lord Chief Justice of England, on "The Bar as a Profession." Sound advice, taken from a long and varied experience, and wise encouragement are given to young and prospective lawyers. It is as readable as a story, yet will bear careful study. Of eloquence Lord Russell says: "The desirable thing is to have something to say; and as to the manner of saying it, Daniel Webster spoke truly in his celebrated oration in honor of John Adams when he said, 'Clearness, force and earnestness are the qualities which produce conviction.'" Regarding the necessary qualifications for law: Love of the profession for its own sake, and physical health to endure its trials, near-headed common sense and ability to wait are the main considerations to be taken into account in determining a 'choice' of the bar as a profession. If the youthful aspirant possesses these, success is, humanly speaking, certain. The lawyer must remember that while he is fighting for the interests of his client, there are greater interests even than these; the interests of truth and honor; and he must never forget, as Sir Alexander Cockburn well expressed it, that in the battle his weapon must always be the sword of the soldier, and never the dagger of the assassin.

For the next issue of The Companion, the Washington's Birthday Number, Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes, the able inheritor of a great name, has written an interesting supplement to Lord Russell's article, presenting the subject from an American point of view. Appended to the article are a brief rejoinder by Lord Russell and a final comment by Mr. Justice Holmes. Each issue of The Companion contains one or more articles of exceptional value, written by the ablest men and women of the age.

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Use the letters contained in the text: "Monon Seeds Grow," and form a many words as you can, using letters either backward or forward, but don't use any letter in same word more times than it appears in "Monon Seeds Grow." For example the words: see, on, none, seeds, etc. The person forming the greatest number of words, using the letters in the text, will receive One Hundred Dollars in cash. For the next largest list we will give \$75 in cash, for the next largest list \$50 in cash, for the next \$25 cash, and for each of the next ten largest lists we will give \$10 in gold. If you are good at word making you can secure a valuable prize. The Monon Seed Co. intend giving many hundred special prizes to persons sending them lists containing over twenty-five words. Write your name and list of words (numbered) and enclose same postpaid with six two-cent stamps for a large combination package of Monon Seeds That Grow, which includes the latest and most popular flowers of endless varieties, also particular and rules of distribution of prizes. This word contest will be carefully and conscientiously conducted, and is solely for the purpose of further introducing our seeds in new localities. You will receive the biggest value in flower seeds ever offered, and besides if you are able to make a good list of words and answer promptly you will stand an equal opportunity to secure a valuable prize. We intend sending a large amount of money in the distribution of prizes in this contest. We assure you that your trial order with us will be most gratifying. Write your name plainly and send list as early as possible. Address **MONON SEED CO.,** Monon Bldg., 8-4 Chicago, Ill.

Lowell wants a peach basket factory the worst way. The home trade alone will amount to 150,000 bushel baskets this season.

Clerks and office men who feel weary from work and mental strain, need the Fountain of Youth to revive them. We will present you with a trial bottle. Inclose ten cents to cover postage. Fountain of Youth Mfg Co., Hot Springs, Ark. Regular price 50 cents. 50

James Norton has been commissioned postmaster at Ewen.

It is folly to adopt the plan of never taking medicine. You are untrue to nature's demands. If you feel bad take the Fountain of Youth blood and nerve vitalizer. One bottle to each free of charge. Inclose 10 cents to cover postage. Fountain of Youth Mfg Co., Hot Springs, Ark. 50

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SCHOOL COLUMN.
(Edited by Flora J. Beadle, Commr.)

During the five months of my school visitation I have chanced upon quite a large number of ill-kept, squalid school-rooms and I feel most earnestly that teachers and parents should exert their influence in favor of pleasant surroundings for the school. *Environment* is a sorely abused word. But it expresses best the things which make for character by their silent influence. Most of the impressions which mold lives come from the little-thought-of, silent things which we meet from day to day.

The home roof-tree shares with the school the immense responsibility of the early impressions. The child spends many hours of the most impressionable period of his life in the school-room and on its grounds. His waking moments are about equally divided between the home and the school. Are not, then, the surroundings of the school almost as important as those of home itself? Is it not possible that the effect of the home spirit may be effectually destroyed by an ill-kept, squalid school? Do not pupils who are obliged to spend hours each day in a room, the walls of which are blackened and defaced, or decorated with festoons of dusty cobwebs, and with equally as dusty charts or dirty blackboards, the desks scratched and defaced by the "jackknife's carved initial," the floor dusty and littered,—this affording opportunity for the dissemination of disease germs—do not pupils who are subjected to these conditions take on the frowsy character of the place? One finds them lounging in listless attitudes in their seats, with soiled clothing and begrimed hands. And too often is it true that these are but indications of a worse and deeper condition which is rapidly becoming a permanent state of soul. Character is being hurt, souls are receiving fatal wounds.

A great many things about such a school *may* and *should* be corrected by the teacher. He can have the dirty walls whitewashed, the floors scrubbed, and the rubbish on the play ground raked into a heap and burned, the stove blackened and in many ways may change the surroundings of the place.

The greater responsibility, however, rests with the parents and school officers. They should see that the building is comfortable and conveniently arranged, sanitary and pleasing architecturally, and that the site chosen has something to commend it other than it is unfit for any other purpose. They should bear in mind that they are providing a home for their children, where they will receive impressions which will be a part of their lives, made plain in word, action, and manner.

Perhaps a word may not be out of place here with reference to the out-buildings. In many of the districts of this county (and in some of the city schools) the out-buildings are a disgrace to any community. There is not a man in any one of these districts who would tolerate such a nuisance on his premises. Why must this be true at the school-house? As the dark and filthy out-house, scrawled with obscenity by wandering tramps and corrupt minded and morally pupils, induces carelessness in pupils, if nothing more, so a light and neatly finished closet, will be an object of pride even among boys, and they will readily co-operate with a teacher in keeping it clean and discountenancing the filthy habits of the rougher class.

How deeply children may be dragged down by their school associations is well known to experienced teachers and physicians, and many parents; and even the public is sometimes startled into attention by the revelation of the condition into which such influences, joined to the horrible knowledge certain from the books which they peruse, may bring to a school. Even young children are liable to have a bias given to their thoughts which they will bitterly regret in later years. The school directors need no vote of the district, no action of the board. They have only to cause the proper repairs to be made, and draw an order on the assessor for the expense. Teachers are to blame to some extent for this condition of things, and I hope the boards will hold them responsible to a reasonable extent for the care of all school property.

IS IT FATE?

Did you ever stop and think how our lives are affected by some seemingly trifling circumstance? It is amusing to think what might have occurred but for some more or less trifling circumstance. If the nose of Cleopatra had been shorter the whole face of the earth would have been different. It is said that a glass of wine too much changed the course of French history; many persons who have carelessly picked up a scrap of literature on Dr. Wheeler's Nerve Vitalizer have been cured of what they considered an incurable disease by its use. C. S. Chambers, Atlanta, Ill., was a sufferer from nervous prostration. A friend, who had knowledge of Dr. Wheeler's Nerve Vitalizer, gave him a small sample. Its use stirred up new hope in his mind; he used two full sized bottles and was cured—fate directed this wonderful medicine to his notice. Your fate may be urging your attention to the same remedy, if you are troubled with nervous prostration, spasms, fits, sleeplessness, mental depression, exhausted vitality, despondency, sexual and general debility. For sale by J. W. Armstrong and all druggists. 6-4

The mercury went down to seventeen between below zero at Lowell Sunday night, but peaches were not injured.

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Probate Order.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, ss.
COUNTY OF BARRY, 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 Saturday, the eighth day of February, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six.

Present, **CHARLES W. ARMSTRONG,** Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of Serapha C. Buck, deceased.

On reading and filing the petition, duly verified, of Esther E. Buck, widow of said deceased, praying that a certain instrument, now on file in said court purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased be admitted to probate, and the executor therein named appointed.

Thereupon it is ordered, that Saturday, the seventh day of March, A. D. 1896, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, be assigned for the hearing of said petition and that the heirs at law of said deceased and all other persons interested in said estate, are required to appear at a session of said court, then to be holden at the probate office, in the City of Hastings, in said county, on Monday, February 11th, 1896, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, and there to show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of the petitioner may not be granted. And it is further ordered, that said petitioner give notice to the persons interested in said estate of the pendency of said petition and the hearing thereof, by causing a copy of this order to be published in the MIDDLEVILLE SUN, a newspaper printed and circulated in said County of Barry, once in each week for three successive weeks, previous to said day of hearing. **CHAS. W. ARMSTRONG,** (A TRUE COPY) 7-4 Judge of Probate.

Chancery Order.

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

In Chancery.

E. Hattie Skiff, Complainant.

E. Hattie Skiff, Defendant.

Dated February 10, A. D. 1896.

At a session of said court held at the Court House, in the City of Hastings, in said county, on Monday, February 10th, 1896.

Suit pending in the Circuit Court for the County of Barry in Chancery, at Hastings, Mich., on the tenth day of February, A. D. 1896. In this case it appearing from affidavit on file, that the defendant, E. Hattie Skiff, is not a resident of this state, but has departed from her last known place of residence and her place of residence cannot be ascertained, on motion of Milton F. Jordan, complainant's solicitor, it is ordered, that the said defendant, E. Hattie Skiff, cause her appearance to be entered herein within five months from the date of this order, and in case of her appearance that she cause her answer to the complainant's bill of complaint to be filed, and a copy thereof to be served on said complainant's solicitor, within twenty days after service on her of a copy of said bill, and a notice of this order; and that in default thereof, said bill be taken as confessed by the said non-resident defendant.

And it is further ordered, that within twenty days the said complainant cause a notice of this order, to be published in the MIDDLEVILLE SUN, a newspaper printed, published and circulating in said county, and that such publication be continued there at least once in each week, for six weeks in succession, or that he cause a copy of this order to be personally served on said non-resident defendant, at least twenty days before the time above prescribed for her appearance. **CLEMENT SMITH,** Circuit Judge.

MILTON F. JORDAN, Complainant's Solicitor. 7-6

Probate Order.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, ss.
COUNTY OF BARRY, 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 Friday, the 31st day of January, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six.

Present, **CHARLES W. ARMSTRONG,** Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of Paulina J. Pettit, deceased.

On reading and filing the petition, duly verified, of Ernest M. Woolgar, administrator, with the will annexed, praying that his final account, now on file in said court, may be heard and allowed and decrees to said distribution duly made and be discharged from said trust.

Thereupon it is ordered, that Saturday, the 29th day of February, A. D. 1896, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, be assigned for the hearing of said petition and that the heirs at law of said deceased and all other persons interested in said estate, are required to appear at a session of said court, then to be holden at the Probate Office, in the City of Hastings, in said County, and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of the petitioner may not be granted. And it is further ordered, that said petitioner give notice to the persons interested in said estate of the pendency of said petition and the hearing thereof, by causing a copy of this order to be published in the MIDDLEVILLE SUN, a newspaper printed and circulated in said County of Barry, once in each week for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing. **CHAS. W. ARMSTRONG,** (A TRUE COPY) 6-4 Judge of Probate.

Probate Order.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, ss.
COUNTY OF BARRY, 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 twenty-seventh day of January, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six.

Present, **CHARLES W. ARMSTRONG,** Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of Henry Talbot, deceased.

On reading and filing the petition, duly verified, of Harley E. Hendrick, administrator of said estate, praying that he may be authorized, empowered and decreed to sell and dispose of, at private sale, the whole of the real estate of said deceased, as in said petition described, for the purpose of paying the debts, valid claims and expenses of said estate according to the provisions of the statute in such case made and provided.

Thereupon it is ordered, that Friday, the twenty-first day of February, A. D. 1896, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, be assigned for the hearing of said petition and that the heirs at law of said deceased and all other persons interested in said estate, are required to appear at a session of said court, then to be holden at the probate office, in the City of Hastings, in said County, and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of the petitioner may not be granted. And it is further ordered, that said petitioner give notice to the persons interested in said estate of the pendency of said petition and the hearing thereof, by causing a copy of this order to be published in the MIDDLEVILLE SUN, a newspaper printed and circulated in said County of Barry, once in each week for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing. **CHAS. W. ARMSTRONG,** (A TRUE COPY) 6-4 Judge of Probate.

CHRISTMAS HAS COME AND GONE

And still we are here for business, and here to stay. As the last of this month is the time we take an inventory of stock, we are desirous of reducing it as much as possible, so we are offering 1-4 OFF on nearly everything in stock except

Staple Crockery, Wallpaper, Window Shades.

Remember. We have no cheap, trashy goods in stock. Our stock is the best money can buy. Having had 27 years' experience in buying goods for this market, we ask no one to take any chances in the quality of our goods, as we guarantee everything we sell.

In watches we have the largest and best assortment we have ever carried, and will make it an object to those wanting a reliable watch.

Call in and see our stock of Diamonds.



We are fully equipped to do the most difficult work on Watches and Clocks. Also the finest Hard Solder work on Spectacles and Rings. All Silverware, Watches or Jewelry sold by us marked with name free of charge. We are making a specialty of this work.

Thanking my old friends and patrons for past favors, I hope to merit a continuance of the same in the future.

M. F. DOWLING.
Middleville, - - - Michigan.

WE HAVE FOUND

After our invoice that a few remnants have accumulated in our various departments, and have placed prices on them that will cause you to marvel at their extreme lowness.

We want to especially call your attention to our bargain counter in our shoe department, where you can find remnants in the shoe line. Formerly sold at \$1.50, \$2, and \$2.50, now going at \$1.00 a pair. Don't lose sight of this great chance to buy your year's supply of Shoes.

Our line of Groceries is complete, new and fresh with price at the lowest notch. Highest market price paid for produce.

YOURS FOR SQUARE DEALING,
JOHN CAMPBELL.

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JUST ARRIVED.

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MY WAGON SHOP
Is now located next door to Coats & Burr's blacksmith shop. For **SLEIGH AND WAGON REPAIRS** And general wood work give me a call.
GEORGE SANFORD.

IF YOU THINK OF BUYING A **Lumber : Wagon,**
CALL AND SEE OUR **Extra Easy Running First-Class Wagon.**
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Blacksmithing and Woodworking at Reasonable Rates.
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All parties wanting a Tubular Well or an OPEN WELL will save money by seeing us. All repairing a specialty. We warrant all our work. All parties wanting BUILDINGS MOVED or raised or wanting JACK-SCREWS call on us. Leave orders at residence, Arlington St., Middleville, Mich.
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ALL KINDS OF **Calsomining, Whitewashing, Paperhanging.**
Work Guaranteed. Prices To Suit The Times.
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I have opened a shop to do **WAGON, SLEIGH, AND FURNITURE REPAIRING.** Also SAW FILING.
At the rear of Jordan Block. Give Me a Call.
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At C. Schondelmayer's.
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Bring your Dressed Veal and Poultry to this market. Poultry must be feather dressed heads on and undrawn and crops empty.
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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 1896.

LOCAL HAPPENINGS.
Jaxon Soap hurts no fabric. 4
Shoes less than cost at Almy's.
10° below zero Monday morning.
Attend the Ferris lecture Feb. 26.
Attend the senior class play March 10.
Jaxon Pure Baking Powder leavens best. 4
Lent began yesterday with Ash Wednesday.
Remember the Baptist Aid society this week Friday.
Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Mert Thompson Feb. 13, a daughter.
The repairs on H. E. Hendrick's residence will be commenced on Monday.
The case of Julia A. Lear set for the 17th was by consent continued to March 2.
Edward O'Reilly has bills out announcing an auction sale to be held March 10th.
The County Grange will convene with Johnstown Grange on Friday, Feb. 28, at 10 o'clock.
Advertising does the business. E. M. Brown has exchanged an organ to Chas. Converse.
The spread of diphtheria in Kent Co. is alarming the people of this vicinity to some extent.
K. of P. lodge gave seven candidates the Oriental degree at a special held Monday evening.
Jacob F. Brandstetter contemplates building a residence next summer and if he does it will be a "dandy."

Married, in Grand Rapids Feb. 18th, Mr. Ed Beneway of this village and Miss Sadie Rush. Many useful presents were received.
About twenty young people gave Calvin Barrell Jr. a pleasant surprise Saturday evening at the home of his grandmother, Mrs. M. J. Caldwell.
We notice the creamery building has been decorated with a broom of late, owing to their success in carrying off first premium at the state dairymen's association.
Misses Mary Moe and Olive Clever each gave a crockinole party, one Thursday and the other Saturday evening in honor of Miss Myrtle Ickes of Grand Rapids.
Miss Minnie Dietrich gave a tea party Tuesday evening in honor of Miss Myrtle Ickes of Grand Rapids. They also spent the evening and enjoyed games and music.

The person who took the package of Pink Pills from J. W. Armstrong's drug store is known and proceedings will be taken to recover them, if they are not returned at once.
Each morning this week the thermometers have registered from 10 to 16 degrees below zero. Wednesday the wind blew a hurricane and the worst blizzard of the winter was upon us.
The valentine social given by the M. E. Aid society at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Cridler last Friday evening was very much enjoyed by the large number that attended. Proceeds \$16.80.
Mrs. Webster of Leighton died the first of the week and the funeral took place yesterday. Her sons Simon Webster of Lansing and Buel Webster of Paris township were among those present.
Bills are out announcing that "The Lost Heiress," a drama in three acts, will be produced by the senior class of the Middleville High school at the Opera house on Tuesday, March 10, 1896. Admission: adults, 20c; children under 12, 15c; reserved seats 25c, on sale at postoffice. Doors open at 7, entertainment at 8.

Mice in the matches caused a fire to start and gain considerable headway in H. E. Hendrick's residence on Fremont street at 2 a. m. Monday. Members of the family were awakened by the smell of smoke and barely escaped from the upper rooms before their escape was cut off by the flames burning through the square landing half way up the stairway. Fire made its way up through the roof, and it was only through the large tank of water in the kitchen and quick and efficient efforts of neighbors and citizens that the building was saved. Mr. W. C. Fowler of Chicago is in the village today and has satisfactorily adjusted the claims of the Grand Rapids Fire Insurance Co. and German American Insurance Co., in which the building and contents were insured. Mr. Hendrick feels very grateful for the services rendered by the citizens during the fire.

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514t H. E. HENDRICK.
SEALED BIDS WANTED.
Plans and specifications are on exhibition at G. D. Whitmore's residence for schoolhouse to be built in Dist. No. 8, Irving. We reserve the right to reject any and all bids. Bids will be opened Feb. 29, '96.
FARRELL BURNS, ZIMRI MANKER, G. D. WHITMORE, Bidding Committee.

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Hogs (dressed)..... 4 75
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Hides..... 3 4
Pelts..... 15 30
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PERSONAL POINTS.
Mrs. C. M. Paull is quite sick.
Mrs. Joseph Freeman is improving.
Miss Bessie George was in town over Sunday.
Mrs. D. W. Johnson is sick with quinsy.
Chas. Fuller is visiting his mother in Hastings.
Glenn Clark was in Grand Rapids Saturday.
John Campbell is in Caledonia on business today.
Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Dibble were in Grand Rapids Tuesday.
Emory Coats and sister, Addie, were at Dorre Centre, Sunday.
Miss Della Gilbert returned to her home in Moine last Sunday.
Deputy Sheriff Will McKevitt of Hastings was in town Saturday.
M. F. Jordan was in Hastings and Shultz on legal business, yesterday.
J. E. Ackerson and wife were in Grand Rapids Friday and Saturday.
Gideon Hughes of Prairieville has been a guest at J. F. Brandstetter's.
John Brandstetter of Prairieville, is the guest of relatives in the village.
J. W. Saunders and wife were guests of relatives in Charlotte over Sunday.
R. E. Combs, R. M. Johnson and son Eddie were in Grand Rapids, Monday.
W. B. Brown and wife were the guests of relatives in Lowell, Sunday.
Mesdames E. S. Grosfend and H. E. Bray were in Grand Rapids on Tuesday.
Miss Elsie Smith of Grand Rapids is visiting relatives and friends in the village.
Jas. Brock of Caledonia, made the SUN headquarters a pleasant call on Tuesday.
Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Keeler spent Sunday in Owosso the guests of I. H. Keeler and family.
Miss Lenna VanAtten of Bowne spent Saturday and Sunday with her parents west of the village.
W. E. Taylor of Reading, was the guest of his old chum, W. C. Sackett, one day last week.
Mrs. Barker and daughter, Mrs. Kees, of Caledonia were guests at David Mattason's Saturday.
Miss Olive Clever expects to leave tomorrow for a six weeks' visit with relatives at Butler, Ohio.
Miss Jessie Williams of Vermontville, was the guest of her friend, Mrs. W. C. Sackett, last week.
Thomas Ronan returned Saturday from Grand Rapids where he had been in attendance at the farmers' institute.
F. M. Potter, soliciting agent for the Grand Rapids Daily Herald, was registered at the hotel St. James, Tuesday.
Miss Myrtle Ickes returned yesterday to her home in Grand Rapids after a week's visit with friends in our village.
W. E. Keeler expects to attend the annual midwinter festival of the Shrine to be held at Grand Rapids tomorrow evening.
Mrs. G. E. Gardner who has been very low for a number of days is slowly improving at this writing, but is hardly considered out of danger.
M. S. Keeler left last evening on a business trip to Detroit. He will visit New York and other eastern cities before returning home from a two weeks' trip.
Soda 5c, Starch 5c, Rice 5c at Almy's.
Pepper 10c a pound at Almy's.
Remember that Young & Chaffee are now in their new location, Shepard block, Ottawa street, next to Michigan Trust company—just north of Monroe street, Nos. 94, 96, 98 and 100. Grand Rapids.
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ANNOUNCEMENTS.
Thornapple Valley Pioneers meet at Caledonia Feb. 22.
The Eclipse Quartet will give an entertainment the first week in March under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid society of the Cong'l church.
Reading Club will meet with Mrs. Pratt Feb. 26. Readers, Mrs. G. L. Keeler and Mrs. Pratt; Spelling Mistress, Mrs. Johnson; Questions, Mrs. Rich; Critic, Mrs. Brown. Author, Elizabeth Stuart Phelps.
Prof. W. N. Ferris of the Ferris Industrial school, will give a lecture on Wednesday evening, Feb. 26, under the auspices of the Epworth League. Subject: "Making the World Better." Our citizens should show their appreciation of the League's efforts in supplying such an excellent course by attending.
Baptist church—Walter A. Biss, pastor. Services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:00 p. m. Sunday school at the close of morning service. Junior B. Y. P. U. at 3:30 p. m. Senior B. Y. P. U. at 6:00 p. m.; topic, "Taming the Tongue." Leader Miss J. Robertson. Morning topic, "Great r Works Than Christ." Prayer meeting Thursday at 7 p. m.
Congregational church, H. Appleton, pastor. Services 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m. Subject for the morning, "Crowning Jesus." Subject for the evening "The Currents of Life." Sabbath school at the close of the morning service. Junior C. E. at 4 p. m. Y. P. S. C. E., 6 p. m. Subject, "What Faith Can Do for Us." Leader, J. Jay Matteson. The Woman's Home Missionary Union at the parsonage Friday afternoon. Junior Mission Band with Jessie Beach Saturday afternoon. Special services next week. A welcome awaits you.

THE MODERN WOODMEN OF AMERICA.
A camp of the above organization will be organized this evening in the parlors of the St. James hotel by C. D. Sharrow of Grand Rapids, State Deputy H. Consul. A number of our leading business men have taken insurance in this institution after a thorough investigation, satisfying themselves that there is nothing better and none as cheap. This lodge is in its 14th year and has 175,000 members. The highest cost any year at an average age of 37 years has been but \$4.95. Some delay was caused by inefficiency of one of their men, which was promptly attended to by Mr. Sharrow, resulting in securing a charter, supplies and certificates in five days from date examinations were made. This is remarkable time when it is considered that the applications had to be approved by Head Physician Dr. McCollom of Minneapolis, Minnesota, and forwarded to Head Clerk Hawes at Fulton, Ill., and return this morning on 7:35 train. Several were rejected, owing to strict medical examination, showing this organization is thoroughly business like.

BAPTIST AID SOCIETY
The Baptist Aid society will serve supper in the church parlors Friday, Feb. 21, from 5 to 7 p. m. Chairman of entertainment committee of 4th division, Mrs. Kittie Keeler; chairman of reception committee, Mrs. J. E. Ackerson. Business meeting at 3 p. m. A cordial welcome is extended to all. 7-2

CARD OF THANKS.
I wish to express my heartfelt thanks to the many friends and neighbors who so kindly rendered their services during my recent affliction.
SAMUEL GIBBS.

CARD OF THANKS.
Mr. E. J. Beach and children desire to extend their thanks to the many friends who rendered every kind service and attention possible during their recent affliction.
25 ounces pure Baking Powder and fine Bread Knife 25c at Almy's.
All owing me on account please call and settle on or before March 1st, as I need the money.
MRS. EVA TALBOTT.
WANT TO EXCHANGE—A two-seated canopy top for single top carriage.
E. M. BROWN.
Quick in effect, heals and leaves no scar. Burning, scaly skin eruptions quickly cured by DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. Applied to burns, scalds, old sores, it is magical in effect. Always cures piles. A. Hanlon & Son.

SHOES. A big consignment of Gents', Ladies' and Children's Shoes just arrived. Our increasing shoe trade assures us that we are selling the best \$2.00 Ladies' Fine Shoes on the market. Ladies' hand turned shoes, elegant stock, needle toe at \$3.00. You must see these goods to appreciate them.

HATS. All our Spring Hats in the new shapes are on sale. A large line of Stiff and Fedora Hats in all grades, new Spring Caps. Drop in and see them. No trouble to show goods.

HERE IS A... HOT ONE
Our Own Make—Oak Tanned—warranted in every strap, buckle and stitch, 1½ inch Double Farm Harness with heavy thong sewed collars.
\$23.75.
This price until February 29. All other goods this month at prices that beat the band. Lower than the lowest.
YOURS WITHOUT A STRUGGLE,
J. E. ACKERSON.

HAVE YOU TAKEN COLD?
If so, it will not pay you to let it run, but go to **ARMSTRONG'S,** Kings' Shiloh's, Chamberlain's, Piso's, German Syrup, Peckham's, Warner's, Allen's, Bryant's, Jane's, And others that I will not mention, besides a large quantity of International **STOCK FOOD** For your horses, cattle, sheep and poultry. The best Stock Food on the market, and I have the exclusive agency here. Call and get Dr. Kendall's Horse Book free.
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CRUEL AND AWFUL ACT OF THOMAS DONLAN.

Threw His Would-Be Rescuer Under the Wheels—Fire Horror in Ecuador—Suffering of Shipwrecked Florida Men—Italy and Brazil to Arbitrate.

Into the Jaws of Death. Edward R. Masterson, an usher at the Pennsylvania Railroad station in New Brunswick, N. J., was deliberately pushed in front of a train Thursday night and so shockingly injured that he died an hour later.

BOAT'S GHASTLY LOAD.

Drifts Ashore with Five Corpses and Six Unconscious Men from a Wreck. A boat containing five corpses and six men barely alive drifted ashore on Dog Island, off Carrabelle, Fla.

DO YOU WANT A JOB?

Meat Inspectors, Stock Examiners, and Taggers Are in Great Demand. The United States Civil Service Commission will hold examinations March 10 in Boston, New York, Buffalo, Philadelphia, Cincinnati, Kansas City, Chicago, Los Angeles and San Francisco.

LOSS OF \$4,000,000.

Fierce Conflagration at Guayaquil, Ecuador, Destroys 134 Buildings. The fire that swept through the City of Guayaquil, Ecuador, did not result in so many deaths as at first reported, but the property loss was much greater.

Brenson Oil Fever Breaks Out Anew.

Brenson, a small town in Kansas, is much excited over the action of the Standard Oil Company, which concern intends to open oil wells plugged there a year ago.

Put in Cleveland's Hands.

A protocol has been signed by the Italian Minister and the Brazilian Minister agreeing to submit their dispute to the President of the United States.

House Rejects Silver.

By a vote of 215 to 90 Friday the House refused to concur in the Senate's free silver amendment to the bond bill.

A Cleveland College Gets \$50,000.

A bequest of \$50,000 has been made to the College for Women of the Western Reserve University by Mrs. S. V. Harkness, of New York, one of the heirs of the Harkness estate of Cleveland, Ohio.

American Bags Driven Out.

Consul Grimko reports that American bags for sugar are to be driven out of Santo Domingo by Calcutta bags, which are superior.

RUDE SHOCK TO THE SENATE.

Smith, of New Jersey, Tells His Colleagues the People Are Disgusted with Them. Senator Smith, of New Jersey, addressed the Senate Monday in opposition to the Monroe doctrine resolution.

LION BACKS DOWN.

Great Britain Exhibits Symptoms of Return to a Period of Common Sense. Dispatches from Ambassador Bayard received Monday at the State Department at Washington bring good news.

FATAL BOILER EXPLOSION.

One Man Killed and Two Seriously Injured at Lonsdale, R. I. One man was killed, one was fatally injured, and five others were slightly hurt by the explosion of a 110 horse-power boiler at the Ann and Hope cotton mill, Lonsdale, R. I.

Corean Queues Ordered Off.

The steamer Gaelic, at San Francisco from Hong-Kong and Yokohama, brought the following advice: Of the many changes introduced in quick succession in Korea the recent adoption of the western method of hairdressing has attracted most attention.

Non Persona Grata.

Advices from Honolulu say that unless Secretary Olney apologizes for the action of Minister Willis that official may be given his passport soon.

Insurrection in Formosa.

A dispatch to the St. Petersburg Novoe Vremya from Vladivostok says the insurrection against Japanese rule in the island of Formosa is spreading.

Harry Eversfield Poisoned.

Harry Eversfield, 50 years old, an actor who played the part of Algonson St. Albans in the "Artist's Model" at the Broadway, New York, theater, died from morphine poisoning.

Venezuela Accepts.

It is announced that following the advice of the United States, Venezuela has decided to send a representative to London to open direct negotiations for a settlement of the boundary dispute between British Guiana and Venezuela.

Judge Lynch at Sullivan, Ill.

Grant Atterbury, charged with assaulting Mrs. Roxy Atterbury, his sister-in-law, was taken from the Sullivan, Ill., jail at midnight Tuesday and hanged to a tree by a mob.

HORROR IN FORMOSA.

CANNIBALISM PRACTICED BY THE CHINESE.

Most Revolting Tale of Savagery—Pearl Bryan Did Not Die by Poison—San Francisco Murderer Strives to Imitate "Jack the Ripper."

Ate Their Prisoners. Victoria, B. C. dispatch: Dreadful stories come from Yokohama of the treatment of Japanese by Formosa rebels, some correspondents going so far as to say that the Chinese practice cannibalism.

SHE WAS BUTCHERED.

Searching Post Mortem Reveal that Pearl Bryan Was Not Killed by Poison. The story of Lulu Hollingsworth seeing Pearl Bryan, the murdered Greenacres girl, in Indianapolis on Jan. 28, is exploded by the established fact that she was in Cincinnati on both the 27th and 28th.

NEW USE FOR CATHODE RAYS.

May Reveal Defects in Cannon and Steamer Shafts. The possible uses of the new process of photography involving the application of the cathode rays in determining the existence of secret flaws in metals are now about to be tested thoroughly at the Carnegie works, where a large amount of naval construction is under way.

'FRISCO HAS A FIEND.

Young Girl Strangled and Several Other Women Beaten and Stabbed. The San Francisco police are inclined to believe that there is a stranger in that city whose mania is to equal, or possibly eclipse, the record of London's notorious Jack the Ripper.

Tremendous Snowfall.

A snow storm swept over Indiana, Illinois and the Western States for thirty-six hours, commencing Wednesday morning.

Fierce Gale at Cleveland.

A howling gale which commenced blowing from the west early Monday evening continued at Cleveland, Ohio, with unabated fury.

Gambler Kills Himself.

Howard M. Cummings, a gambler, widely known in Missouri, Kansas, and Texas, committed suicide at Fort Scott, Kan.

Gladstone is Aroused.

The Herald of Glasgow says it learns that Mr. Gladstone is greatly inclined to stand again for parliament in order to support the Armenians.

Jumps from a Train and Escapes.

Dr. A. L. Huggins, who was arrested at Perry, Ok., for knocking Dr. Alfred Jones in the head with a billiard cue and perhaps fatally wounding him, jumped from a train and made his escape.

LIVES CRUSHED OUT.

Awful Results of a Wreck on the Illinois Central Near Dongola.

A disastrous wreck occurred near Dongola, on the Illinois Central Railroad, 340 miles from Chicago, at 6:45 o'clock Tuesday morning, between a passenger train bound for Chicago and a south-bound freight train.

TAKES A GOLDEN HUE.

Surprising Success of the Popular Loan Brightens the Business Outlook. R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade says: "The wonderful success of the popular loan alters the face of events."

Waller to be Liberated.

Ambassador Eustis has been instructed to accept the offer of the French Government to release ex-United States Consul Waller from further imprisonment and pardon his offense on condition that the affair be thereby terminated as between France and the United States.

Dunlop Must Pay Severe Penalty.

Joseph R. Dunlop, publisher of the Chicago Dispatch, was sentenced Saturday by Judge Grosscup to pay a fine of \$2,000 and serve a term of two years in the Joliet penitentiary for the offense of using the United States mails to circulate an obscene publication.

Chops His Daughter to Pieces.

At Antioch, Miss., Friday, T. W. Wood, aged 55 years, murdered his daughter Minnie, catching her in the back and striking her no fewer than twelve times with a hatchet, literally chopping her to pieces.

Houses Washed Away.

Early Tuesday morning an immense water main burst with terrific force in Franklin avenue hill, Cleveland, Ohio, and, with the great volume of water that poured out, several hundred feet of the hill, on which were many small houses, was washed into the river.

Bridge Collapse at Bedford.

Three temporary spans of a new railroad bridge being erected across Tinkers Creek, south of Cleveland, fell, precipitating eight workmen into the creek.

Meets British Advances.

It was semi-officially announced at London that there is good reason to believe that Venezuela is prepared to enter into a friendly discussion with Great Britain on the subject of the Uran arrests.

Pugs Knocked Out.

President Cleveland signed the Catron anti-prize fight bill Friday afternoon, making it a law in immediate effect.

THE MARKETS.

Chicago—Cattle, common to prime, \$3.50 to \$4.75; hogs, shopping grades, \$3.00 to \$4.25; sheep, fair to choice, \$2.50 to \$3.75; wheat, No. 2 red, 64c to 65c; corn, No. 2, 27c to 28c; oats, No. 2, 19c to 20c; rye, No. 2, 39c to 41c; butter, choice creamery, 18c to 19c; eggs, fresh, 12c to 14c; potatoes, per bushel, 17c to 25c; broom corn, 2c to 4c per pound for poor to choice.

PROSPEROUS MEXICO.

EXPORTS INCREASE AND INVESTMENTS ARE LARGE.

Coffee and Sugar Attract American Capital—Busy Day in Senate and House—Starting News from Corea's Capital—Nansen Finds the Pole.

Our Prosperous Neighbor.

City of Mexico dispatch: Exports are rapidly increasing, and there is great activity in all departments of tropical agriculture. There are large investments in coffee and sugar lands by Americans.

HOUSE VS. SENATE.

Each Body Plays Havoc with a Favorite Measure of the Other. Thursday was a record-breaking day in Congress so far as important votes and influence on future legislation are concerned.

TALK OF TRANSVAAL.

Message Congratulating President Krueger Voiced the Feelings of All Germans. Dr. Hammerstein, in the reichstag at Berlin, speaking in behalf of the national liberals, praised the government for the attitude which it had assumed toward the Transvaal.

MASSACRE AT SEOUL.

King and Crown Prince Forced to Seek Shelter in the Russian Legation. Advice received at Yokohama from Seoul, capital of Corea, say an uprising took place there Tuesday, during which the premier and seven officials were murdered.

Holocaust at Guayaquil.

A special to the New York Herald from Panama, Colombia, says: "A great fire raged in a convent at Guayaquil, Ecuador. When the firemen and soldiers, who were hurriedly ordered out to help them, finally brought it under control, thousands of panic-stricken persons were wandering homeless in the streets, thirty lay dead in the morgues, and property worth nearly \$2,000,000 had been destroyed.

North Pole Is Found.

A telegram received at St. Petersburg Thursday from Irkutsk, Siberia, says that a Siberian trader named Kouchnareff, agent of Dr. Fridtjof Nansen, the Norwegian explorer, who sailed in the Fram, June 24, 1893, for the arctic regions, has received information that Dr. Nansen reached the north pole, found land there and is now returning toward civilization.

Iowa's Pioneer Lawmakers.

At the session of the Pioneer Lawmakers' Association at Des Moines, the Hon. John A. Kasson made the principal address on the legislative struggles incident to the building of the present State house.

Fruit Shipments of a Year.

At the farmers' round-up institute at Grand Rapids, Mich., C. N. Rapp reported the total fruit shipments from western Michigan last season to have been 2,440,000 bushels, or 6,100 carloads.

Cuban Insurgents Killed.

Dispatches received at Madrid from Cuba say that 107 insurgents were killed during the recent fighting there.

Forty Persons Drowned.

The Brisbane River at Brisbane, Queensland, has been greatly swollen recently owing to the floods. While a small steamer Thursday was crossing the river with about eighty passengers on board she was capsized and only forty persons were saved.

Martial Law Set Aside.

The government of Nicaragua has published a decree announcing that it has returned to the supremacy of the civil laws, and, therefore, martial law is once more set aside.

Absconding Divide Recaptured.

Rev. Thaddeus Jakinowicz, the deposed pastor of St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Mount Carmel, Pa., fled three months ago, after having been admitted to bail on a charge of embezzlement.

SENATE AND HOUSE.

WORK OF OUR NATIONAL LAWMAKERS.

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

The National Solons.

The House Friday was in an uproar most of the time because of a tilt between Taibert of South Carolina and Barrett of Massachusetts, over the former's defense of secession. A resolution of censure failed of adoption, 200 to 71.

The House debate Saturday upon the Senate's free coinage substitute for the bond bill was very spirited. Mr. Towne, a Minnesota Republican, claimed the attention of the House and galleries for over an hour with an eloquent effort on behalf of free coinage.

Except to appoint definite time for the hearing of several important matters, the Senate did nothing Monday except wrangle over resolutions and amendments concerning the Monroe doctrine. The House continued debate of the bond bill.

The Senate did absolutely nothing of importance Tuesday. The President sent the following nominations: William Woodville Rockhill, of Maryland, to be Assistant Secretary of State; Matthias A. Smalley, of Ohio, to be Marshal of the United States for the Northern District of Ohio; Casper N. Morrison, of Missouri, to be Judge Advocate, with the rank of Major.

A Woman Janitor.

Miss Ella Wilcox is the highly efficient janitor and sexton of the church of the United Brethren in Marcellus, Mich. She has full care of the church, keeps it in order, rings the bell on Sundays, and attends to all the other duties of sexton.

Harry Truelson was elected Mayor of Duluth by a majority of 776 over Seward D. Allen, the regular nominee of the Republican convention.

Sixty anarchists have been arrested at Lisbon, Portugal, as a result of the explosion of a bomb in the house of a physician who had testified to the insanity of the man who threw a stone at the king.

Nearly every army has now a bicycle corps. In Germany six men of every regiment are mounted on wheels to act as scouts.

ITEMS OF INTEREST TO MICHIGANDERS.

Deed of a Brutal Negro at Jackson—Pingree's Potato Patches Find Favor in New York—Convicts' Families Supported by Jackson Charity.

Charge of Fatally Whipping His Child

Jerry Scott, a colored man, was arrested at Jackson, charged with whipping his 7-year-old daughter to death. Monday Scott applied to the authorities to have the child sent to the reform school, because, he said, she was unmanageable, and, although he had whipped her until she could not stand, he could not control her. Next day she died and he applied to the same authorities to provide a funeral. Suspicion was aroused and an investigation followed, disclosing the fact that there is scarcely a spot on her body that is not either cut, bruised or burned. Scott admits whipping her for untidiness, but declares that she died from kidney trouble. His housekeeper, children and neighbors all assert that he was in the habit of whipping her brutally. On Monday he bought a rawhide, with which the blows were struck. The public is not allowed to see the body for fear, the officers say, the people might attempt to lynch the father. Meanwhile the jail is guarded to prevent an attack.

Preaches a Novel Sermon.

Bishop Richter, of the Grand Rapids Catholic diocese, preached a sermon Sunday morning out of his usual line of discourse. It was a sermon for the women and in opening he warned the men not to marry for beauty, as they would weary of that in a brief time, but in choosing a wife to consider her kitchen accomplishments. The lack of kitchen accomplishments, he said, coupled with wifely extravagance and fondness for dress, has driven many a good man to drink. A few years ago women all over the land organized bands and entered upon a crusade against the rum power, marching through the streets and praying that their husbands be saved from drink. The husbands, he said, would have been warranted to enter upon a crusade of their own against the extravagance of their wives, and, instead of praying in front of saloons, sending up their petitions from in front of the dry goods stores. The audience smiled audibly at this suggestion and the bishop brought his sermon to an abrupt close.

Detroit Gets the Credit.

The Detroit potato farm idea, after a practical test, is declared a thorough success in New York. The men having the matter in charge in the big metropolis have just issued a report in the shape of a handsome, illustrated pamphlet, giving the details of the work there, and Detroit, Mayor Pingree, Capt. Cornelius Gardener and Judson Grenell are given much credit for originating this plan of taking care of the poor and carrying it to a paying point. The work in New York was carried on under the Association for Improving the Condition of the Poor. The report shows that the expense of working vacant lots was \$4,821.73, while the value of the crops produced is placed at \$9,871.16. The committee says that in addition to the profit made, it should be remembered that there is immense benefit in giving poor people a chance to earn subsistence instead of having to apply for charity.

A Growing Evil.

There are seventy-five families in Jackson, the fathers of whom are serving sentences in the Michigan State prison. Added to this there are near 400 ex-convicts who neglected to leave when their terms expired. The families mentioned, in nine cases out of ten, hold up the hands of poverty and ask for assistance, and get it. The question arises why are Jackson County taxpayers obligated to pay for the support of these unfortunates? They are not really residents. They beg their way there—in most cases because the husband and father is there. In many instances they will do little work if it can be avoided. The number is constantly increasing, and the situation becomes worse and worse each day.

Big Michigan Combination.

The Duluth, South Shore and Atlantic, Detroit and Mackinac, Flint and Pere Marquette, and Canadian Pacific railroads are said to have entered into a quadruple alliance by which they will carry passengers and freight east and west by way of Detroit. The Detroit and Mackinac will soon be extended from McPhee on the north to Mackinac and from Omer on the south to Bay City, completing the links. The South Shore is controlled by the Canadian Pacific, yet it turns over to the Michigan Central at Mackinac more than half its east-bound freight instead of utilizing its own outlet by way of the Soo.

Michigan Gets a Few.

Michigan gets only a few of the new bond issue, the following being the successful bids:

Table with columns: Award, Price. Lists bids for First National Bank, Battle Creek, First Exchange Bank, Port Huron, Lizzie Eglehart, Lansing, B. F. Wely, Alma, Otto A. Stoll, Kalamazoo County Bank, Schoolcraft, Ralph Wise, Otsego.

They Had a Rope.

The excitement caused by the arrest of George Dunlap at Morenci did not die out Saturday, an angry mob loitering around the jail until morning, threatening dire vengeance on the wife-beater. When the prisoner was taken to court he was followed by the mob, who threatened him with a coat of tar and feathers. They carried a rope with them, and for a time things looked very black for an overt act of justice being committed. Dunlap was sentenced to the Detroit House of Correction for ninety days, without the option of a fine.

Short State Items.

It was decided by the Supreme Court that it is not a prejudicial error in the trial of a criminal case for the prosecuting officer to call the witnesses for the defense "a lot of liars" and "a lot of dirty pups who ought not to be believed" if the circumstances of the case seem to justify the truth of the assertion. The court says that, while such language is severe, there is no rule prohibiting an attorney from expressing his opinion of the truthfulness of witnesses where their testimony is conflicting, and the jury will be called upon to decide between them.

Jane Osterhoff has been commissioned postmaster at Ferrysburg.

A Girard fisherman hooked 130 perch in 120 minutes recently through the ice.

The old cheese factory at Fenton has been sold and the purchaser will turn the building into a tenement house.

The man who caused the trouble at Davidson's shipyard in Bay City has been discharged and the strike declared off.

Two Cheboygan men are prospecting around the southern part of that county for oil and claim to have discovered signs of it.

The docks at East Tawas are well filled with lumber awaiting shipment, and the outlook for mills starting early is not very good.

Kalamazoo County's stone pile began operations with sixteen pounders Monday morning. The supervisors were forced to it by surrounding counties putting prisoners to work, making Kalamazoo and its cracker barrel lunches a haven of joy for "Weary Willies."

Mrs. Jessie Wilkins, of Kalamazoo, was assaulted in the yard of the Bethel Church Saturday night by an unknown man, who seized her from behind, carried her to the horse sheds and almost choked her. Before he could accomplish his purpose her husband appeared on the scene and a fierce fight ensued. The assailant finally escaped. Wilkins says he recognized him as Joe Harding, for whom the police are now looking. Mrs. Wilkins was unconscious for many hours.

Chicago capitalists have organized the Michigan Liquefying Company and the Michigan Carbide Company, each capitalized at \$1,000,000, for the purpose of manufacturing acetylene gas in this State. A plant will be established at Sault Ste. Marie, so as to take advantage of the magnificent water power at that place. The parent company will also establish a plant at Niagara. Lime, coke and electricity are used to produce a portable substance which gives off the gas under certain conditions, readily produced, and which can be shipped directly to the consumer.

People who think that men who work in the lumber woods require nothing but muscle in their business may be interested in the following from a Menominee paper: "Every log of the 375,000,000 feet that was sorted at the boom last season has both an end and a side mark upon it. There were 145 owners of these logs, and upon the various logs were 408 end marks and 319 side marks. The men who work at the sorting gaps must be perfectly well acquainted with every one of these marks, and the very few logs that go astray out of the immense number handled shows that the men are on to their jobs."

Eli Mexicott, of Carleton, who has been a bachelor for forty-five years, had obtained a marriage license, his bans had been published in church, he had made all arrangements and was the happiest man in that section, for he was to marry pretty Lizzie Vermette, of Trenton. But in a few days the situation changed. Lizzie's father feared that Mexicott would not be a desirable son-in-law, and while Lizzie was at the Mexicott house getting ready for the wedding the enraged father appeared upon the scene and took Lizzie back to her home in Trenton. Eli swears eternal vengeance against his accusers and will seek the law for relief. The girl's father claims that Lizzie is under legal age, while Mexicott swore she was 18 in procuring the marriage license.

Judge Haire, of Ontonagon, sitting in the Wayne circuit, who has been hearing testimony in the Nagelvoort divorce case, granted a decree to Mrs. Nagelvoort on her cross-bill charging cruelty. The case has attracted a great deal of attention because of the humorous nature of the charges brought. Nagelvoort is now a professor in chemistry in Northwestern University, but until the past year he had lived in Detroit. In his bill the main charge was that Mrs. Nagelvoort, who is his second wife, would not listen to his disquisitions on chemistry, and in other like ways was cruel to him. The defendant in the cross-bill averred that her husband disliked noise when after dinner he settled himself for a nap, and that he also sided with his sons when they defied her authority.

Prof. J. L. Snyder, of Allegheny, Pa., was chosen president of the Michigan Agricultural College at the meeting of the State Board of Agriculture at Grand Rapids, Michigan candidates being ignored in the selection. J. L. Snyder, the president-elect, was born and raised in Butler County, Pa. He worked his way through Westminster College and received the degree of doctor of philosophy. He is commissioner of schools in his native town and is the founder of the State Normal College. He has been for eight years the principal of the Allegheny public schools and was the organizer of a manual training school. Mr. Snyder is 35 years of age, and, the board claims, is as well versed in matters of agriculture as he is in matters of education, a fact which was one of the strong points in his favor in the contest. The board decided to place the lands of Antrim, Missaukee, Otsego, Charlevoix, Kalkaska and Cheboygan on the market on Feb. 28.

Every subordinate lodge in the State was represented at the sixth biennial session of the Michigan Grand Lodge of Knights of Honor at Lansing. The reports submitted show that the order has scarcely held its own in the State during the last two years, the losses being triding, however. Sixty-four death benefits, aggregating \$100,000, have been paid in Michigan during the last two years. In his annual address the grand dictator, E. A. Fletcher of Grand Rapids, recommended that the Supreme Lodge be asked to make important changes in the constitution. One of these was the admission of women to membership, another the dividing of the country into districts of three or four States each, each district to take care of its own death losses, thus equalizing the expense. The holding of biennial instead of annual sessions by the Supreme Lodge was also advocated, both as a measure of economy and as a means of lessening the amount of legislation enacted. The recommendation relative to the admission of women was indorsed unanimously.

While hunting in the woods near Nuncia, Ottawa County, Saturday, Willie Wendall, aged 14, lost his left hand and three fingers of his right hand. He was standing with both hands over the muzzle, and the gun suddenly exploded.

A resident of Springport township, Jackson County, last fall purchased a bicycle of a darkey who happened along his way with the wheel. He got it cheap, but hadn't had much chance to use it on account of winter weather, before an officer from Adrian called on him and he was compelled to give up the wheel, which had been stolen from an Adrian man.

DISGRACED AND DEAD

TRAGIC FATE OF A YOUNG INDIANA GIRL.

Three Men Are Held for the Murder of Pearl Bryan—Maze of Contradictory Confessions—Her Headless Corpse Found and Identified.

Story of a Dark Crime.

The funeral of Pearl Bryan was held at Greencastle, Ind., and the services were spoken over a headless corpse. While the relatives were in the vault there was a meeting of the young and middle-aged men of the city, and it was said later that some twenty-five or thirty of these pledged themselves to each other to avenge the girl's death if the murderers were not hanged by the law. The organization thus formed is said to be regarded simply as the nucleus of a larger one which will take the law into its own hands if Scott Jackson, Alonzo Walling and Wm. Wood escape the extreme penalty in the Cincinnati courts.

The morning of Saturday, Feb. 1, there was found at Fort Thomas, Ky., the headless corpse of a young woman. For a time, identification was impossible. But inquiry was being made for Pearl Bryan, a Greencastle girl, who had left her home with the avowed purpose of visiting a friend at Indianapolis. She was accompanied to the train by Wm. Wood, son of a Methodist minister, and went to Indianapolis, stopping there only between trains. She then went on to Cincinnati. Nothing was thought of her temporary absence from home; but when the time came for her return, and she came not, the family began to wonder. Then came the account of finding the headless body of a woman near Cincinnati, and the announcement that the corpse wore shoes that had been purchased from Louis & Hays, of Greencastle. After that identification was quick and certain, and investigation led to the arrest of the three men named, Jackson and Walling were students at the Ohio Dental College at Cincinnati. They and Wood are said to have been intimate with the girl. But a maze of contradictory confessions by all of them has made impossible the fixing of direct responsibility; and this confusion is complicated by the assertion of Lulu May Hollingsworth, of Indianapolis, a friend of Pearl's.

In the series of confessions Jackson says Walling carried the woman's head



PEARL BRYAN.

in a valise to the Covington suspension bridge, and he believes Walling threw it into the river, or he may have taken it to his home at Hamilton and thrown it from the Miami bridge at that place. Jackson says he did not go with Walling on the trips. On the contrary Walling says Jackson buried the head in a sandbar in the Ohio river opposite Dayton, Ky., or dropped it in the sewer on Richmond street, Cincinnati. Each affirms the belief that the other administered a fatal drug to produce a criminal operation, and neither confesses knowledge of time or place of decapitation of the corpse. Each charges young Wood, of Greencastle, with responsibility for the girl's condition, and Jackson says he was the medium through whom Wood was to remit \$50 to Walling for performing the operation. On the other hand, young Wood denies his responsibility, but admits knowledge of the girl's predicament, because Jackson, who was responsible for it, told him of it. He says the only part he took in the matter was to advise Pearl to undergo an operation.

To make the matter more unintelligible, Lulu May Hollingsworth, of Indianapolis, who was arrested, suspected of complicity in the murder, said:

"It shall be able to clear Jackson. He is responsible for Miss Bryan's condition."



SCOTT JACKSON. ALONZO WALLING.

but he was not responsible for her death. I don't think, either, that Wood had anything to do with this case. I became interested in the girl because I had once known her and chanced to meet her at the Union station. She told me what had happened, and said Jackson was to blame. When I told her what drugs to get she said

she would take them in Jackson's presence and die there and then so as to throw suspicion upon Jackson and get him into difficulty."

Miss Hollingsworth afterward said she administered the fatal drugs at the request of Miss Bryan. The police discredit this. Miss Hollingsworth is regarded as a notorious seer. She once figured in an elopement from Terre Haute, Cincinnati police found Jackson's bloody coat in a sewer. Jackson claims that Walling wore his clothing on the night of the murder.

HONOR FOR UHL.

He Succeeds Ruyon as Ambassador to the German Capital.

The President sent to the Senate Monday the nomination of Edwin F. Uhl, of Michigan, now assistant Secretary of State, to be ambassador extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary of the United States to Germany. The Senate in executive session confirmed the nomination. Mr. Uhl was appointed assistant Secretary of State Nov. 1, 1893. He is best known as the author of the dispatch to Spain calling upon that country in a peremptory manner to account for the firing on the Alliance by the gunboat Conde



EDWIN F. UHL.

de Venadito off Cape Mayst, on the coast of Cuba.

The new ambassador is a man of considerable wealth, and was once Mayor of Grand Rapids, his former home.

The Grand Rapids Common Council adopted a resolution congratulating Edwin F. Uhl upon his appointment and prompt confirmation as ambassador to Germany. Mr. Uhl will return home before going abroad, and numerous banquets and receptions are already planned for him.

Mr. Uhl is a prominent Democrat of Michigan. He is widely known as an able lawyer, a brilliant orator, and a keen politician of the stalwart type. He was very active in the last presidential campaign, giving not only his time to speech-making for Cleveland and Stevenson, but he gave largely of his private purse to the campaign fund. His appointment to an assistant secretaryship gave great satisfaction to Michigan Democracy. Mr. Uhl was born in New York State fifty-five years ago, but has lived in Michigan since 1846, when his parents moved West. He was "brought up" on a farm near Ypsilanti, in which city he attended school. He also was a student in the State University, and in 1866 he entered upon the practice of law. Two years later he made Grand Rapids his home, and his ability soon made him a leader at the bar of that city. It is estimated that now his law practice is worth from \$20,000 to \$30,000 a year. He has twice been Mayor of Grand Rapids, and the Democratic congressional nomination from his district was a standing offer on a silver plate to him for ten years before Mr. Cleveland called him to Washington. It was an offer, however, which he never accepted.

WEYLER IN COMMAND.

At Once Reviews Troops and Issues a Proclamation.

Valeriano Weyler, new captain general of Cuba, arrived at Havana Monday, and was tendered an ovation by the loyal Spanish. After taking the oath of office, he reviewed the troops, and issued a proclamation declaring that, backed as he was by all Spain's resources, he should never give up Cuba to the insurgents. He appealed to the gallantry of the army and navy, and especially to the loyal inhabitants, native or Spanish born. He announced his purpose to be generous to the subdued, and to all who render service to the Spanish cause.

The plan of campaign of Gen. Weyler is not known. He is likely to call in all the small detachments of troops which have from the first had such a weakening effect upon the Spanish operations, and he will try to drive the insurgents into a position from which they cannot escape without a pitched battle. He will endeavor to protect property to the utmost, but in so doing he anticipates being able to call in several thousand men who are doing small garrison duty in places where apparently there is no necessity for their presence now. Gen. Weyler will also do everything possible to muster as strong a force of cavalry as he can. Considerable re-enforcements of this branch of the service have already arrived, and more are expected. In short, his first efforts will be directed to concentrating his forces and restoring public confidence. Later he will try to engage the insurgents, who are understood to be concentrating their forces in anticipation of having a much more difficult task before them than they have had up to the present. In fact, some reports credit the insurgents with desiring to concentrate all their scattered detachments and columns into one body, and so bring the insurrection to a direct issue. If so, there seems to be no doubt that the Spanish generals will not put any obstacles in the way of the insurgent commanders. But Spaniards who are well posted on the situation say that there is no truth in the report that the insurgents will make any effort to risk a pitched battle.

Pine Ridge Pow-Wow Opened.

The great Pine Ridge powwow convened at Pine Ridge, Neb., Monday. For some months a private subscription has been circulating soliciting aid among the Indians to send delegates to Washington to confer with the authorities in reference to matters pertaining to the Pine Ridge agency. It was said 7,000 Indians would be present at the powwow, but there is no probability that so large a number will attend. Not 700 got in Monday. At this season zero weather is probable any day, and the Indians for this reason will not travel much. The scene of the meeting is Wounded Knee, twenty miles distant.

MICHIGAN FACTORIES

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE STATE INSPECTOR.

Vast Sums Lost by Idleness Last Year—2,836 Institutions Employ 112,048 People—Wages Average \$1.32 per Day—576 Mills Running Short Time.

Tale of the Artisans.

The following information concerning Michigan factories is taken from advance sheets issued by Labor Commissioner Morse:

During the year there were 3,137 factories inspected. Of these 2,836 were running, and 2,561 of these were running full time, leaving 576 idle or running short time. Computed at \$1.32 per day, the average wages paid in 1895, the loss in money on account of short hours is \$135,701.28 annually.

The number of males employed was 96,884; females, 15,164. Males constitute over 86 per cent, females little less than 14 per cent. There are 846 factories that employ females, or about 30 per cent of the number running.

There were found 140 children under the age of 14 years, working. In 64 different factories, they were all discharged, the law being rigid in this respect. In 484 factories 1,989 children over 14 and under 16 years of age were found.

Average \$1.32 a Day.

Of the running factories 2,813 gave their monthly pay rolls, a few not having data from which such reports could be given. Aggregate of monthly pay rolls, \$3,823,815; average for those given, \$1,359.34; average per capita per year for employes, \$412.32; average per capita per day for employes, \$1.32. There has been no material change in wages since Jan. 1, 1894.

The law prohibits females under 21 and males under 18 years of age working more than 60 hours in any one week, except in certain contingencies. No instance of violation was found, the average hours per week for such employes being 59 1/4.

How Factories Are Protected.

All elevators must be protected with automatic trap doors or gates, and the inspectors were diligent in enforcement of the law. New protection was ordered in 274 factories. The law requires all stairs to have proper handrails and, where necessary, rubber on steps; also all stairs used by females must be properly screened. In all, 293 orders were made in this respect, and compliances were promised. Fire escapes were ordered on 84 different buildings. All machinery, belting, vats, pans, saws, cogs, set screws and gearing of every description is required to be properly guarded, and automatic shifters for throwing belts, with loose pulleys are required wherever possible; 350 orders were made regarding these requirements. Protection given since the factory inspection law went into effect has averted many accidents.

Factories were well supplied with devices for carrying away dust, and the law concerning separate toilet rooms and suitable drainage is also observed. Changes of some kind were ordered in 30 per cent of the factories visited.

Accidents Reported.

The report on accidents shows that a large per cent of those who were injured receive aid or help, either from employers or benefit societies. The largest number of fatal accidents occurred in the first district, there being 20 of this class at the time of the boiler explosion in the Detroit Journal office, Nov. 6, 1895. There were more deaths at that catastrophe, but 20 were the only ones which came under the jurisdiction of factory inspectors.

Nearly 40 per cent of the accidents reported were from causes beyond the reach of any factory inspection, such as boiler explosions, bursting of grindstones, emery wheels, etc. There is nothing in the present law giving inspectors any authority to inspect steam boilers, or as to the competency of engineers. There are other dangerous practices over which the inspectors have no jurisdiction.

IGNORE THE LAW.

Michigan Officers Withhold Papers' Cadavers from the University.

Prof. Wm. A. Campbell, secretary of the regents' medical department of the Ann Arbor University, recently made a two weeks' trip about the State, looking up the supply of "stiffs" for the dissecting rooms. The university is very short on subjects for dissection, it being necessary to put eight students together upon one body, instead of four, the regular number. Mr. Campbell says:

"In most places all bodies of paupers, unclaimed for twenty-four hours after death, are duly forwarded. In many more places than I expected I found officers either ignorant of their duties in this matter or willfully negligent.

"In one place I found an officer who claimed that the State law was superseded in his county by a local regulation requiring papers to be buried in a certain place, with a \$4 headstone over each grave. In a very few places I found officers violently opposed to the law, and openly refusing to obey it. I met an undertaker who said to me that he would never send a body to the university; he would bury it at his own expense first.

"Before the passage of the law nearly all of the bodies used here were snatched. Graves were desecrated in every part of the State. Since its passage I know there has not been a single body, illegitimately obtained, handled at this institution. Our system of making an official record, that keeps track of a body every instant from the moment of death till it goes upon the dissecting table, makes it an easy matter to keep things perfectly proper and legal. Our records are always open for inspection.

"We need from 100 to 125 subjects a year. If every county officer did his duty, we would get them from the four southern tiers of counties. Now we have to take them, occasionally, from very remote parts of the State, which makes transportation charges high: \$22.10 is the shipping charge from Traverse City." The penalty in the statute for a violation of any of its provisions is a fine of not less than \$50 nor more than \$100, or imprisonment not less than one month, nor more than three months, or both such fine and imprisonment.

Passion is the drunkenness of the mind.—South.

WHEN HE PLAYED BASEBALL.

Experience of a Michigan Judge When He Was on the Diamond.

Of all the people who have entered his division of the Wayne Circuit Court since his accession to the bench, it is not probable that even one has even dimly imagined Judge Robert E. Frazer ever played baseball. His breadth and girth are not suggestive of the nimble divisions of athletic sports, and he doesn't look like a ball player. There are, of course, surprises upon the diamond as well as in other places, and after one has seen Cherubic Childs of the Cleavelands bounce around second base it requires but a trifling stretch of the imagination to picture the Judge sprinting around the bases.

He told about the first and only regular game in which he ever appeared. He had long been a recognized professional at round ball and three-old-cat, so when the county officials of Washtenaw challenged the city officials of Ann Arbor to a national game, marquis of Chadwick rules, he admitted to the captain of the Washtenaw team that Prosecuting Attorney Frazer could bat a ball out of the county, and stop a sizzling daisy-cutter that was leaving a comet's tail behind it. He was immediately signed for shortstop.

"Perhaps I ought to explain," said the Judge, "that out in the country where I used to play ball we had no umpire, and never heard of such a personage. We used to decide all questions of play ourselves, and when there was a serious difference of opinion we had it out right on the spot and the side that got whipped was in the wrong. On the whole I think it was better than the modern umpire system, for it was soon over, was satisfactory, and there were no protests to vex the board of appeals. Pretty soon after the game commenced I noticed a fellow hanging around the plate and having a great deal too much to say; but I stood it until I had been to bat, made a hit, but was caught between bases and put out. 'You're out!' he yelled at me.

"I knew I was out, and I was not particularly well pleased at the knowledge. To be told of it by a meddling bystander was rather rubbing it in, and I walked up to him at once.

"Look here, young fellow, you are having altogether too much to say about this game. You've been sticking your nose into other people's business about long enough, and if you open your mouth again I'll—"

"I was interrupted by one of the other players, who told me that the meddling fellow was the umpire. I've seen many an umpire in a tight place since then, but I never saw one who came so near being licked."—Detroit Journal.

Disappearance of the Quaker.

We take it that the Quaker idea of cultivating "the stillness and the quietness" which has so great an effect upon their children's education is identical in effect with that practice of "retreat" for which thousands of minds in our fussy generation have so deep, and we add so ineffectual, a longing.

Even their peculiarities of dress and language have long since ceased to excite ridicule, and are hardly more distinctive than those of earnest Socialists, or of the newest successful Protestant denomination. Perfect toleration, however, which has benefited so many creeds, has almost killed the Quakers, and in the hour of triumph of their most prominent ideas their society is dying, or nearly dying, of want of votaries. They have leavened the community, and they are being absorbed into it.

One would have thought that thousands of families would have joined their communion as a kind of intellectual "retreat," safe from the pressure of a battling world, but it is not so, and if they have not for a few years actually decreased, they are never without the apprehension that, in this country at least, they may disappear, swallowed up in the multitude of those who agree with, and yet do not belong to, their communion.—The Spectator.

A Curious Advertisement.

When the British nation built its famous military railroad that extends through the northwest provinces of India the natives established at or near the many stations little restaurants and retreats for travelers. Recently a native bought one of these rooms from its owner, and wishing to advertise himself and his new acquisition as much as possible, issued the following notification to his present and prospective patrons:

"Beggars to say that from the first of October, 1893, I am in charge of the above from the other man who was manager here for few years. Flesh of club and store Calcutta is supplied here, for Butter and Milk Cows live here; if 8 gentlemen eat on one table they can get english things, Bread and Sweet maker is present here. All things are new and fresh than before, if any gentleman will give great Tiffin or dinner, or supper a etc. then he will make the management very well and the charge will be less and the cook is of the first class, every gentleman can get rest like his own will, the railway station is on the few feet from here, and wine can also be supplied."—Harper's Round Table.

Definition of the Honeymoon.

A London newspaper offered a prize for the best definition of the honeymoon, and one of the striking answers was: "The only time in a man's existence when he does not care a rap for expenses."

"My dear," he said to his lady love, "I've been busy all day—not manual labor, you know, but brain work, which is the hardest kind." "Yes, indeed; I know it must be for you," and there was a tender look of sympathy in her eyes which aroused him.—Philadelphia American.

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THE MIDDLEVILLE SUN

J. W. SAUNDERS, Publisher, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 1896.

ADDITIONAL LOCAL.

There was a man in our town. He wasn't wise a bit; His business kept a-going down— An advertiser? No! —Boston Courier.

Felt Boots 35c at Almy's. Nothing cleans cleaner than Jaxon Soap. 4 All Soap 4c a bar, 7 bars for 25c at Almy's.

Remember the drama March 10th by local talent. Dr. Jonathan LeMoine Snyder is the new president of the Michigan Agricultural College.

Joseph S. H. Holmes, the slayer of Mortman Johnson, is out on \$15,000 bail and has gone to his home in Grand Ledge.

A very good time was enjoyed by those who attended the leap-year social at the Baptist parsonage Tuesday evening. Proceeds about \$5.

There was a general sentiment at the farmers' institute at Grand Rapids last week in the belief that the peach crop next season will be a small one.

The 13th annual Reunion of Co. F will be held in the G. A. R. hall in Hastings, on Wednesday, Feb. 26, at 2 o'clock p. m. Supper at 5 o'clock p. m.

If you want the best furniture at the lowest prices and courteous treatment, call on Young & Chaffee Furniture Co., Ottawa street, Grand Rapids, next Michigan Trust.

The date of the Hon. H. R. Patten's lecture on the Irving lecture course has been changed to March 20. The entertainment to have been given the 20th will be announced later.

Creosote formed on the stovepipe in Mrs. Irving's residence until yesterday when it took fire and burned out making it red hot from the stove to the chimney and the structure narrowly escaped burning.

Members of the F. & A. M. lodge are having a large album manufactured which they will present to the local lodge and to contain about three dozen pictures of members with plenty of room for the pictures of other members of the fraternity.

A creamery company has been formed at Shultz, this county, with a capital stock of \$2,000. Machinery has been purchased and operations will begin in the near future. J. L. Broughton of this village was over yesterday and sold them a complete outfit.

The Chesaning correspondent of the Grand Rapids Herald says, under date of Feb. 14: "Four children were discovered in the Carson tenant house this morning in a pitiable condition, having been locked in since Sunday without food or fire. The youngest is only 3 years old and the oldest 10 years of age. They were deserted by an inhuman mother, who went with her parents. Mr. and Mrs. D. Holcomb to their farm in Brady township, last Sunday. The father of the children, A. Fox, left his wife some time since and is now in Shiawassee county. The children were taken care of by Justice Carson and Nicholas Schock and notice served on the Holcombs. The family came here from Shiawassee county." The above relates to one Alonzo Fox, who used to reside in Middleville.

EIGHTY-FIRST BIRTHDAY. The home of Silas Keeler of Bowne township was the scene of a pleasant surprise on Tuesday, it being the occasion of Mr. Keeler's 81st birthday. Those present from this village all of whom are relatives, were Messrs. W. E. and M. S. Keeler, Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Keeler, Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Hodge, Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Dowling and daughter Grace.

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Simple Lessons in Electricity for beginners are among the features of the Detroit Electrical Student, a bright, illustrated weekly paper, devoted to popular electricity. One dollar a year. Student Publishing Company, 33 Lafayette Ave., Detroit, Mich. 7-4

"Give me a liver regulator and I can regulate the world," said a genius. The druggist handed him a bottle of De Witt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills. A. Hasen & Son.

Fire at Plainwell the 17th destroyed the plant of the Church Furniture Co. and electric light plant.

THE DISCOVERY SAVED HIS LIFE. Mr. G. Cailloche, Druggist, Beaverville, Ill., says: "To Dr. King's New Discovery I owe my life. Was taken with La Grippe and tried all the physicians for miles about, but of no avail and was given up and told I could not live. Having Dr. King's New Discovery in my store I sent for a bottle and began its use and after using three bottles was up and about again. It is worth its weight in gold. We won't keep store or house without it." Get a free trial at J. W. Armstrong's drug store.

Report of orders drawn on the treasurer of the village of Middleville, Barry county, Mich., for the year ending March 9, 1896.

Table with columns: CONTINGENT FUND, STREET FUND, and various names and amounts.

VILLAGE CLERK'S

Report of orders drawn on the treasurer of the village of Middleville, Barry county, Mich., for the year ending March 9, 1896.

Main financial report table with columns: CONTINGENT FUND, STREET FUND, and various names and amounts.

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THE OLD METHOD OF DOCTORING GIVES WAY TO MUNYON'S IMPROVED HOMEOPATHIC REMEDIES. Mr. Saul Sutton, Oregon, Ill., says: "I have had a remarkable experience with Munyon's Remedies. I was so bad with rheumatism I could scarcely use my hands or arms. I suffered for five years, and during all that time was unable to grasp anything with one hand. I seem'd to have no strength in my fingers and very often my arms and shoulders were so lame I could not raise my hand to my mouth. I spent a small fortune for medicines, but never found anything that would succeed until Munyon's Rheumatism Cure was recommended. I bought a bottle of the pills, and found such immediate relief that I continued with a second vial. Now I am completely cured. I have advised many of my neighbors to try Munyon's Remedies, and in every case they have been cured."

The printing press has made presidents, killed poets, furnished bustles for beauties, and punished genius with criticism. It has curtailed the power of kings, converted bankers into paupers and graced pantry shelves. It has made paupers out of college presidents, and robbed the philosopher of his reason; it smiles and cries and dies; but it can't be run to suit everybody, and the man will go crazy who tries it.—Ex.

JAXON SOAP advertisement with image of soap box.

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THE FAMILY FEATURES advertisement with text: Short Stories, Latest Fashions, Fancy Work, The Good Cook, Talks with the Doctor, Puzzle Contests, Library Corner.

ADVERTISED LETTERS advertisement with text: MIDDLEVILLE P. O., Feb. 15, 1896. Letters addressed to persons named below remain unclaimed in this office.

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