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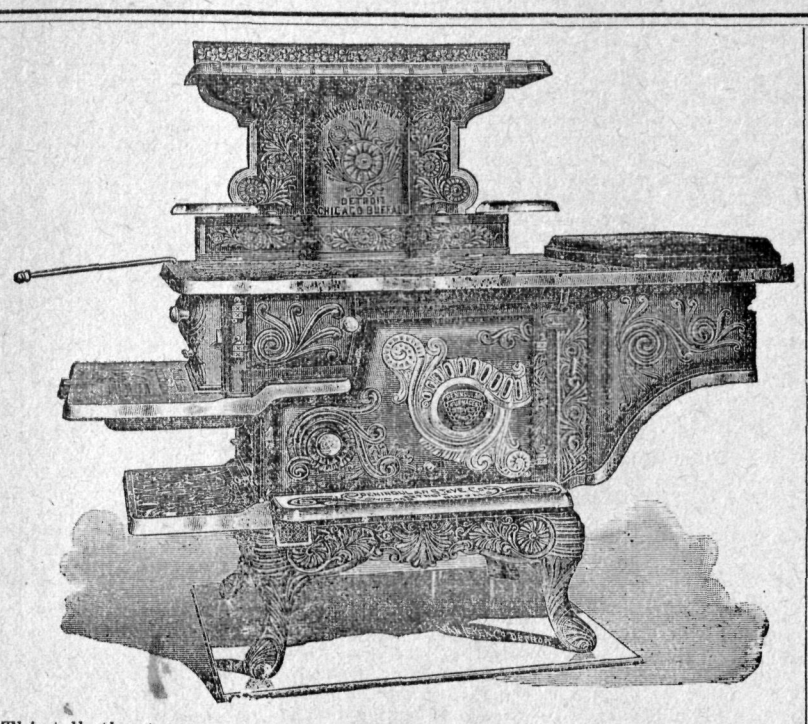
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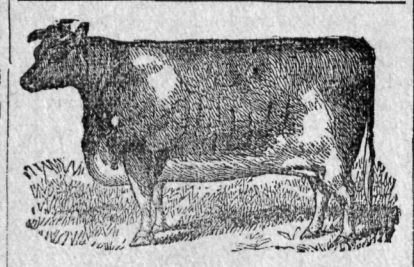
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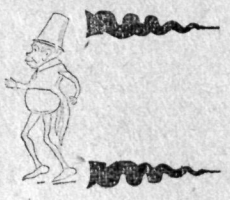


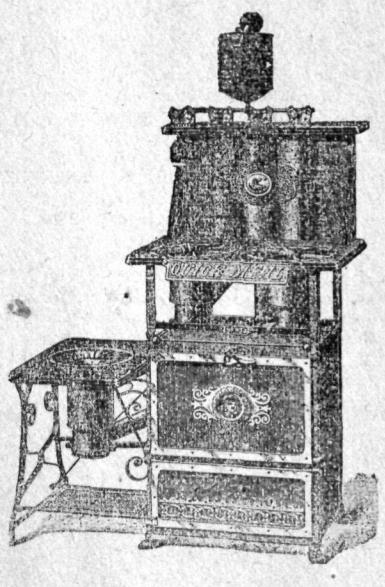
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NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES.

BOWEN'S MILLS.

J. W. Briggs, county drain commissioner, is busy in different parts of the county looking after individuals underground work.

Miss Ella Tucker, who has been at work for Judge Armstrong's people for a long time, returned to her home in Ohio last week.

Mr. Banfield and Charles Rogers are in this locality buying stock for next week's shipments.

We spent an hour or two at Streeter's resort the other evening and I assure you, Mr. Saunders, you are missing it in not being there with your better half. The way those Middleville folks enjoy themselves when they get away from home is a caution. They leave off all their high-toned notions and talk to everybody and appear so natural that you can't help but feel at home with them. There is the lawyer, schoolmaster (principal), merchant, though last but not least was the preacher and his family and he, too, was enjoying himself with the rest; we could not help but notice how Christ-like, eating and drinking with publicans and sinners. And, as one little fellow said, how funny they all looked when they appeared with their bathing suits, ready for a frolic in the waters of Gun lake. Nothing like resorts for driving away the blues.

Well, we didn't rest well Sunday night on account of the storm and heat, up all hours of the night watching one thunder storm after another. The fireworks of the heavens were beautiful. It reminded one of the poet's words:

"It's the lightning's red glare
Painting hell on the sky," etc.

It was an awful night of thunder and lightning, rain and wind, and the news comes in that Jo Thaler's large barn was struck by lightning and burned. Mr. Hersey's barn near Wayland met the same fate, also Mr. Allen Abbott's house and wind-mill and a walnut tree was struck twice. We hear house was damaged and the wind-mill torn to pieces. The wind in some places uprooted trees, blew down fences and buildings. The less we have of this kind of storms, the better.

Mrs. Taylor, who has been visiting here from Grand Rapids, returned home the first of the week.

Mrs. West was called to the deathbed of her son in Coldwater last week.

Grand Rapids resorters began to arrive at Streeter's Saturday evening.

Will Bowen and wife were guests of Mr. Hayter and wife, Sunday.

Mrs. John Perkins of Prairieville visited her brother, Judge Armstrong, Sunday.

CALEDONIA CULLINGS.

Mrs. W. J. Hoover left last Thursday evening for a visit to her parents at Holley, N. Y.

John Heiffer and wife of New York are visiting at Mr. and Mrs. Steven Brooks'.

Parson Arney was in the village this week. He gave the boyssome lessons in fast driving on the track and preached to them at the M. E. church in the evening.

A large crowd attended the races Wednesday afternoon.

Geo. Menold of Douglas visited friends in the village Sunday.

F. E. Hale spent part of the week in Detroit.

Manuel Bechtel and wife of Wheeler are visiting his parents west of the village.

The lightning Sunday night set fire to the barns of Robt. Cook of Gaines, Dan McQueen of Dutton, Jerry Kilmartin of Alaska and several others whose names we did not learn.

Mrs. E. Ward and son Byron, returned Monday evening from a few days at Ottawa Beach where they were guests of Mrs. Chas. Ward of Grand Rapids.

DUNCAN LAKE.

Myron Kilmer and wife, also E. P. Carpenter and son, Rolla, attended the Wild West show at Grand Rapids yesterday.

Miss Lydia Adams has a cousin, a Mrs. Donaldson, and children visiting her from Grand Rapids.

Charles Pike has his cider mill in running order and cider can now be turned out to suit any political party.

George Haight from near Parmelee is working on Mr. Gamble's new house.

Our pathmaster, Iva Adam, has mowed the weeds from the roadsides today with a mowing machine. Iva will always get our vote.

Wm. Freeman and family visited E. P. Carpenter's family Sunday.

Our school officers have done a good thing in having the school-house kalsomined and painted. Rob't Mann and nephew of Caledonia did the work.

EAST CALEDONIA.

Mr. Geo. Page is on the sick list this week.

Mrs. Warren Streeter is spending a week with her daughter, Mrs. L. C. Rathbun.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Hunsberger and the Misses Bym, Shifley and Hunsberger called at Mr. Wm. Schrader's, Sunday.

F. J. Streetor and family of Whitneyville spent Sunday at Frank Rathbun's.

L. C. Rathbun, D. W. and A. E. Dutcher, Oscar Stone and O. Barbour were in attendance at the state convention at Grand Rapids, Wednesday.

The Epworth League of this place pleasantly surprised Elder Woodlock, Monday evening, at the home of L. Baker. The evening was well spent with music and games, after which all enjoyed themselves eating ice-cream and cake. In behalf of the Epworth League, A. H. McNeil presented him with a gold pen. We all regret his departure for he was highly esteemed by the people of this place and we wish him success through.

44th annual Fair of Barry county, Sept. 22-25.

FREEPORT FLASHES.

From the Herald.

John Young of Orangeville, visited his wife and other friends in town the first of the week.

Rev. J. W. Arney was in the village last Thursday shaking hands with friends.

Mrs. F. Hurd, who resides in one of Terry Corrigan's tenant houses east of town, exhibited a curiosity in town Tuesday—a young turkey with four legs, two back bones and three eyes, the third eye being located on top of the head.

A call to become pastor of the First Congregational church at Carson City, has been extended the Rev. G. W. Mylne of Freeport, at a salary of $600 per annum.

Born to Henry Karcher and wife, in the village, Friday, July 31, a daughter.

Born to H. Livingston and wife, in the village, Saturday evening, August 1, a son.

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LEIGHTON LOCALS.

Mrs. Wm. Emmons is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. Steininger, in Ida.

Geo. Weber lost a horse last week.

Mr. and Mrs. U. G. Gordon and son have returned to their home in Illinois.

Mrs. S. Heist has returned from Big Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. Lorenzo Carpenter of Chicago are the guests of relatives here.

Miss Minnie Keller returned to her home in Detroit, Tuesday.

Mr. C. T. Wiggins' house has received a new coat of paint which adds to its fine appearance. Mr. Pinney did the work.

Lightning struck and burned Rob Cook's barn together with all his grain Sunday night. He has the sympathy of the whole neighborhood. The building was insured for $500 and contents for $550.

S. Heist was called to Canada Friday by the severe illness of his brother.

Mr. Chas. Harrington of Plainwell has been engaged to teach the school in Dist. No. 2 for the coming year.

Quite a number from here attended Buffalo Bill's show at Grand Rapids Monday.

Mrs. J. Thede, sr., returned from Detroit, Tuesday.

This vicinity was visited by a terrible storm Sunday night and declared by some to be the worst they have ever seen in Michigan. There was some fear of a cyclone and considerable damage was reported.

THE DISCOVERY SAVED HIS LIFE.

Mr. G. Caillouette, Druggist, Beaversville, 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 from the first dose began to get better, 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. 2

PARMELEE PICKINGS.

Father said "Curse a fool." So said we until now. We are full of the Scriptures and quite Biblical. Have mercy on all those who don't know how to look after their own interests.

Miss Hattie Tewksbury of your village spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stimson of Windmill st.

There is but little use of saying anything about the heavy rain; it was general.

Mrs. Harlow Dean is celebrating her 74th anniversary today. All Leighton is with her and they are having a good time. I know it for I am "in it."

J. D. Kenyon of West Thornapple spent Sunday p. m. with friends in Parmelee.

There was an ice-cream social at Jno. Kermeen's, Sunday eve. We were "in it."

Trains met Tuesday and we all expected a collision. No harm done.

Oscar Sherk and wife will soon be housekeeping in Dutton, at least, so the story goes.

Mrs. Demorest of Diamond Springs is spending a week with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stimson.

Charlie VanAvery and daughters of Detroit will spend the coming week with Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Allen.

Will Kepkey, brother John, Charlie Parmelee and many others from this place took in the Buffalo Bill show Monday.

Grandfather's prediction has come to pass. Today we traded a bushel of potatoes for a peck of beans.

We attended the McKinley meeting at Caledonia Thursday evening. No hopes for us from that quarter. We mean it.

Ed Hubbard is doing good work as usual in this locality.

Will Kepkey's stacks have kept all right. Hope the Gratiot Co. folks will appreciate him.

If you'll name the baby after me, I'll buy a palace car. Hartley bought the $15 cab. Good enough.

Skiff is here and you will know it soon. The logs are coming every day and the poor man still appreciates.

Clatie Gould of Grand Rapids st. is attending the show this week and visiting other friends in the city.

A small threshing machine was running to order opposite the M. E. church last Sunday. Less of it will be better.

John Cowell, the depot policeman at Grand Rapids for the past 20 years, is spending the week with Mr. and Mrs. Loyal Gould, our neighbors.

Frank Morgan is a solid man and believes in letting live. We got 18 bushels and one peck of oats for one day's work last week.

Stand shoulder to shoulder, the time has come.

The weather is warm down here, we tell without a thermometer. Mosquitoes are plenty, which you all know. Our news are brief. Come and see us when you feel inclined.

WAYLAND WORKINGS.

Harvesting is o'er and threshing has begun.

The C. E. will hold its next missionary meeting in about a month.

The storm of Sunday night was one of the worst ever known in this vicinity. Three barns were struck, two being consumed. Several orchards were seriously damaged and fences and forestry blown down.

Many farmers are complaining that a rot has struck their potatoes, thus threatening the crop.

B. A. Nevins of Otsego spoke here Sunday evening in favor of local option and Tuesday evening Pros. Atty. Fish addressed a small audience at Bradley stating from official reports how some are misrepresenting, thereby aiming to defeat the measure. He showed that over 90 per cent. of the whiskey cases in the past two years have resulted in conviction.

The Dorrites played a 16 to 7 game here Tuesday. Game in favor of D.

Old Mr. Mercury reached the century mark during the past week, to the great discomfort of all.

The Allegan Co. C. E. convention is called for Otsego Aug. 25, 26. A good program is being prepared.

Six weeks ago I suffered with a very severe cold; was almost unable to speak. My friends all advised me to consult a physician. Noticing Chamberlain's Cough Remedy advertised in the St. Paul Volks Zeitung I procured a bottle, and after taking it a short while was entirely well. I now most heartily recommend this remedy to anyone suffering with a cold. WM. KEIL, 678 Selby Ave., St. Paul, Minn. For sale by J. W. Armstrong, druggist. 32-4

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DISTRUST ITS POWER.

SPANIARDS QUESTION GOVERNMENT'S EFFICIENCY.

Trouble of a Serious Nature Fomented at Home—High Taxes and Levying of New Troops the Causes—Creek Nation Bars Negroes.

Spain's Hands Full.

At last the Cuban rebels have carried the war into Spain. They do not proceed openly or violently, but seek by intrigue to prevent the embarkation of more Spanish troops for Cuba. Trouble of a serious nature is being fomented in Spain, particularly in the Province of Valencia, by agents of the Cuban insurgents. The minister of the interior, Senor Cos-Gayon, replying to a question in the chamber of deputies, admitted that a number of riots had occurred in Valencia and, when asked to explain the cause of the disturbances, said they were caused by friends of the Cuban insurgents, who hoped thereby to prevent the departure of further reinforcements of troops for Cuba. Hitherto the popular demonstrations have been attributed entirely to protest against the imposition of new taxes—a step made necessary by the financial strain the government has been subjected to through carrying on the campaign against the insurgents of Cuba. But, while the government is only willing to admit that the riots have been instigated by the agents of the Cuban revolutionists, it is generally admitted that the roots of the trouble are much deeper, and that it is being nourished by the natural feeling of alarm and dismay at the apparent utter inability of the government to cope with the situation in Cuba. That the large Spanish army in Cuba must be still further and heavily reinforced is looked upon as being a confession of weakness upon the part of the administration and as an admission of the growing strength of the Cubans. In addition, many letters have been received in different parts of Spain by the relatives of Spanish soldiers serving with the army in Cuba, and they tell such terrible tales of sickness, privation, incompetency and mismanagement, to say nothing of lack of pay, that a dangerous feeling against the government has arisen and is gaining strength day by day. Under these circumstances the agents of the Cubans do not have much difficulty in carrying out their plans of causing popular outbreaks.

NEGROES NOT CITIZENS.

Important Decree Promulgated by the Creek Nation.

The final decree has been promulgated from Okmulgee, the capital of the Creek Nation, as it has been handed down by Judge Adams, chief justice of the Supreme Court of the nation, in the citizenship cases. It strikes from the rolls of citizenship of the nation the names of over seventeen hundred negroes. The decision held that the action of the Indian council, after the passage of the emancipation act by the United States, in admitting the negroes to tribal relations was unconstitutional and therefore at this time invalid. Since the passage of the act these negroes have drawn in annuities $1,000,000 from the Creek government, have held positions of official trust, and have improved their farms and educated their children at the nation's expense for twenty years. From the decision of the court there is no appeal.

National League Standing.

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

	W.	L.		W.	L.
Baltimore	.60	27	Brooklyn	.41	47
Cincinnati	.63	29	Philadelphia	.39	49
Cleveland	.57	31	Washington	.35	51
Chicago	.54	40	New York	.36	53
Pittsburg	.49	40	St. Louis	.28	61
Boston	.48	40	Louisville	.22	64

Standing of Western League.

Following is the standing of the clubs in the Western League:

	W.	L.		W.	L.
Indianapolis	.54	33	Detroit	.47	39
St. Paul	.55	36	Milwaukee	.44	52
Minneapolis	.51	38	Gr'd Rapids	.33	62
Kansas City	.49	39	Columbus	.32	62

Gold Democrats Organize.

The gold Democratic party has been organized. It will hold a convention in Indianapolis, Ind., Sept. 2 to make a platform and nominate candidates for President and Vice President. Thirty-three States were represented at the meeting Friday which launched the new party. There were about 125 representatives of the gold standard within the Democratic party present at the conference. A good many notable men were there, but as a rule those who participated in the meeting have not heretofore been well known in the political world.

Held Captive by Robbers.

James Campbell, the millionaire sugar planter of Honolulu, who mysteriously dropped out of sight for two days at San Francisco, says he was imprisoned and robbed by Oliver W. Winthrop, who attempted to obtain the capitalist's signature to a $20,000 check as the price of his liberty.

Plans for a $1,000,000 Building.

Prizes were awarded at Helena, Mont., for plans for a $1,000,000 State capital building. George R. Mann, of St. Louis, won the first prize of $5,000, Cass Gilbert of St. Paul the second of $1,500, Strange & Strent of Los Angeles the third of $1,000, P. J. Lauritzen the fourth of $500.

Twenty Million at Stake.

After months of skirmishing and sparring for position among the army of attorneys involved, order has been finally secured in the Fair litigation, and the trial of one of the greatest will contests in the history of the United States is near at hand in San Francisco.

Five Tramps Are Killed.

Five tramps were killed by a freight wreck at Leighton, Ia., on the Rock Island. Nine cars were ditched. The tramps were stealing a ride, when one car jumped the track and carried the others

FEVER AIDS THE REBELS.

Spanish Invaders in Havana Are Losing Heavily.

The bishop of Havana, in co-operation with the Mayor, the press, and various local institutions, is arranging to open, under the direction of the Sisters of Charity, lunch counters to relieve the starving poor in the streets. Yellow fever and smallpox are increasing in Havana, Guanabacoa, Matanzas and Santa Clara, and several native Cubans have been stricken. A Madrid special announces the departure of a naval commission for London to close a contract for the construction of the new torpedo chasers ordered to reinforce the Spanish fleet in the waters of Cuba. The Spanish general, Lono, via Candelaria, reports that he engaged the rebel forces in the Caambola hills. The rebels were dislodged at the point of the bayonets. The Spanish captured their positions, burned their camps, destroyed their plantings and seized their cattle. The rebel loss is unknown, but it is believed to be considerable. After uniting with Col. Arjonas' column, Gen. Lono resumed his march. Brig. Gen. Echague, with 700 reinforcements, arrived by the trans-Atlantic mail steamer Catalina from Spain. The same vessel brought a quantity of munitions of war and $1,000,000 in silver, consigned to the captain general. The naval authorities report the seizure in Nueva Gerona, Isle of Pines, of additional rebel munition deposits, including a quantity of dynamite. A smallpox epidemic is thinning the ranks of the invaders in the eastern districts.

UNION OF THEATER MANAGERS.

All the Big Guns in the Business Become Members.

At a meeting at Hoyt's New York theater Monday, attended by all the local managers and most of the traveling managers of theatrical companies, there was organized the United Association of Theatrical Managers, the object of the association being mutual protection. Frank McKee was selected as temporary chairman; A. J. Spencer, secretary; A. A. McCormick, treasurer, and John Hirsch, representative. A committee was appointed to perfect a permanent organization, consisting of all the leading local managers of New York, Boston, Philadelphia and Chicago, as well as all the leading traveling managers, twenty-five in all, among them being Henry Abbey and Charles Frohman. This is the first time such an association has been formed. The present conditions in railroad rates and the fact that other persons having connection with the theatrical profession—musicians, actors and others—have formed associations to better protect their interests are the principal reasons for the formation of this organization.

Ravaged by Forest Fires.

Much damage is being done by forest fires in the vicinity of Sault Ste. Marie, Mich. Monday afternoon Gladis, a station eight miles distant on the South Shore road, was wiped out and its residents had to flee for their lives. Brimley was threatened with destruction, and may have been wiped out. Scores of farmers have lost their hogs and have barely escaped with their lives. The regular South Shore passenger train out Monday afternoon was compelled to return owing to the intense heat and smoke. Several of the passengers fainted before the train got out of the fire belt. No rain has fallen for weeks, and everything on the ground is dry as tinder. Unless it rains soon there will be a vast amount of timber destroyed and other damage done.

Too Ignorant to Be Citizens.

In refusing to grant naturalization papers to two young Italians Tuesday at Washington Judge Cole, of the District Supreme ourt, held that no one who is in ignorance of the Constitution of the United States is competent or entitled to become admitted to citizenship. The young men explained that they had come to this country before reaching their majority, and that they had ever since resided here, but when questioned by the Judge, they confessed that they did not understand the Constitution, and were even doubtful as to the form of this government. Judge Cole thereupon decided them to be ineligible to citizenship and refused to naturalize them on the ground that they could not swear to support something they do not understand.

Business Conditions Continue to Improve

R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade says: "Business conditions have clearly improved, though business has not. It is now the torpid season and better prospects have little effect as yet. The signing of a compact to control foreign exchange by a syndicate, pledging the use of $750,000,000 for that purpose, may render it unnecessary to use the gold, and has given some stocks a slight advance. Gold exports have been stopped and foreign trade is more promising of an early demand for our product. The prospects for large crops of cotton and corn are still excellent."

Were Sleeping in a Vacant Lot.

George O. Fall, a delegate to the silver convention lately held in St. Louis, and his 11-year-old daughter, Lulu, were found sleeping in a vacant lot there Friday. They are from Lynn, Mass. The girl will be sent home. Mr. Fall was sent to the city hospital for observation as to his sanity. During the convention he stopped at Ninth and Pine streets. When his money gave out he slept in various places, his latest berth being the vacant lot where they were found. Lulu always accompanied him.

He Slew a Wife-Beater.

In Baltimore, James M. Deets went home drunk and abused his wife. J. Hanson Andrews, an engineer, volunteered protection and went with Mrs. Deets to the door of her house. Deets opened the door, and seeing Andrews, began striking him. Andrews whipped out a knife and stabbed Deets to the heart, killing him instantly.

Spain May Cite Tweed.

The Spanish press in Havana urges the Duke of Tetuan, minister of foreign affairs, to demand the extradition of the Cuban revolutionists, Carlos and Roloff, now in the United States. The Madrid government's voluntary surrender of Tweed is recalled, and the opportunity now presents itself, it is said, for Secretary Olney to reciprocate.

Dies by His Own Hand.

H. G. Young, a well-known broker and former Chattanooga, Tenn., city official, committed suicide on Lookout Mountain by shooting. Business losses are supposed to have been the cause of the act. Mr. Young was at one time manager of the South Tredegar Iron Company.

CUT DOWN BY A LINER

UNLUCKY FIRST TRIP OF A LAKE STEAMER.

"Iowa" Sinks the Yacht Hawthorne—Arkansas People Haul Drinking Water Twenty-five Miles—Fifty Chicagoans Yield to Heat.

Yacht Hawthorne Is Sunk.

Just as the beautiful new steamer Iowa, of the Goodrich Line, was heading into the Chicago harbor from the river breakwater Wednesday night on her maiden trip, her bow crushed into the schooner yacht Hawthorne. The impact was so tremendous that the yacht stuck to the steamer long enough for her crew to climb upon the big steamer, which towered above, by the fenders and escape with barely a wetting. The Iowa kept moving to avoid trouble in her propeller. When all lives were saved the steamer stopped, the yacht slipped off the sharp prow and sank. The yacht's crew had saved themselves before the Iowa's boat could be lowered. The tug Gardner took the crew from the steamer. The Iowa steamed away for her first trip to Grand Haven and Muskegon, so stirringly interrupted.

WATER FAMINE IN ARKANSAS.

Human Beings Suffering from the Pangs of Thirst.

A water famine exists in a large portion of Arkansas, and in some sections human beings are actually suffering from the pangs of thirst. There have been isolated thunder showers in various portions of the State recently, but in some counties no rain has fallen since April 13 and the suffering is almost beyond belief. A gentleman arrived in Little Rock from an overland trip through portions of Jefferson, Cleveland and Bradley Counties and says that people in some localities are hauling water for drinking purposes in barrels a distance of twenty-five miles and that for an entire day he was unable to buy a glass of water to quench his thirst. White river is running dry and the Mayor of Fayetteville has issued a proclamation prohibiting the sprinkling of the streets, the water being needed for drinking purposes.

GLOAT OVER $14,000 IN GOLD.

A Nebraska County Board Demands that the Cash Be Shown.

Just to satisfy the longing of the members of the Dakota County, Nebraska, Board of Commissioners to gaze on $14,000 in gold coin that sum had to be transported six miles across the country Wednesday from the Sioux City Bank, where it was deposited, to the board's meeeting place at Dakota City. When the members of the board expressed a desire to see the county funds the Treasurer showed them a certificate of deposit. That was all very well, the Chairman replied, but they wanted the money. Much against his will the Treasurer accordingly applied to the Sheriff, who with a strong escort made the trip to Sioux City and returned with the coin in a lumber wagon. When he arrived the board simply pawed over the glittering pieces and ordered it sent back to Sioux City at once.

CATHOLICS WHO ABSTAIN.

Annual National Convention Is Held in St. Louis.

The twenty-sixth annual convention of the Catholic Total Abstinence Union met in convention auditorium at St. Louis Wednesday morning, about 1,200 delegates being present. After assembling the delegates marched to St. John's Church, where Archbishop Elder of Cincinnati, in the absence of Archbishop Kain, celebrated pontifical high mass. In the afternoon the delegates paraded and were reviewed by the officers of the union.

Sold Under Foreclosure.

The Tabor Opera House and the Tabor Block at Denver, Colo., has passed into the legal possession of Mrs. Laura D. Smith, holder of the second trust deed on the property, who bid it in for $330,000. The property was sold a few weeks ago under foreclosure of the first mortgage of $760,000, held by the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company, and the right of redemption now belongs to Mrs. Smith.

Chicago on the Gridiron.

The temperature record for this year was again broken Wednesday at Chicago, the thermometer at the weather bureau registering 96 degrees at 4 o'clock. The heat was oppressive and stifling, and resulted in one death and fifty prostrations. The going down of the sun gave no relief. Similar reports come from the entire Northwest.

Japan's Gain in Commerce.

Japan is making rapid progress in trade, having invested more than $400,000,000 in new projects this year. Exports and imports amounted to over $265,000,000 during 1895, a gain of $30,000,000 over the previous year. Bicycle, clock and watch factories and cotton and silk mills may be counted by the score.

Turkey Is Hard Up.

The financial difficulties of the Turkish Government are most acute. The officials on the civil list have not received their salaries for seven months, and when some of them complained they were arrested.

Sugar Bounties All Paid.

The last of the warrants for the payment of the sugar bounties earned in 1894 (except maple sugar), the payment of which was provided for in the appropriation of $5,000,000 in the deficiency act of 1895, were issued Monday.

Wedded at Last.

Cornelius Vanderbilt, Jr., and Miss Grace Wilson were married at noon Monday, at the Wilson residence in New York, by Rev. William H. Pott, assistant rector of St. Thomas' Church. The wedding was private.

River Threatens a City.

The Missouri river is advancing toward Vermillion, S. D., cutting into the earth at the rate of ten feet per hour. Unless the advance is checked Vermillion will be in the river by fall.

Tennessee Town Is Burned.

The entire business portion of Concord, Tenn., consisting of nine stores, was destroyed by fire at an early hour Wednesday morning.

OUT IN SYMPATHY.

New Crisis Arises in the Big Cleveland Strike.

The big sympathetic strike movement in Cleveland, which has been threatened ever since the strike at the Brown company's works began eleven weeks ago, was inaugurated Monday morning. Eighty-seven men, employed by the Van Wagner & Williams company, hardware manufacturers, laid down their tools and walked out of the works. The men said their only grievance was their sympathy for the Brown Hoisting Company's men, and that employes of other concerns would soon follow their lead. Committees were sent out to other factories along the lake shore to notify the men that they were called out on strike. One of the leaders of the Van Wagner strikers said that they would demand of Mayor McKisson that the non-unionists be disarmed, and if this was refused, the strikers would arm themselves and compel the non-unionists to give up their weapons by force, if necessary. One hundred and fifty non-union men went to work at the Brown hoisting works in the morning. They were guarded by four companies of militia and a large force of police. A big crowd of union men were present, but no outbreak occurred. The police and soldiers kept the strikers moving, and would not permit them to stand in one place more than a few minutes.

LOSS OF MEMORY.

Young Man Unable to Remember His Father and Mother.

Herbert B. Spencer, of Lawrence, Kan., the young man whose strange loss of memory has puzzled the physicians of Philadelphia since last March, and whose identity was accidentally discovered at the hospital two weeks ago, arrived home Friday afternoon. At the depot in Kansas City he saw one of his brothers and remarked, "There's a man I know." His sister and sister-in-law he did not even recall. The sight of his home brought back some recollection of familiar spots. His parents were recalled as people he had once known, although they were not recognized as father and mother. The mother revived the strongest recollection. The old homestead seemed familiar and homelike to him. Spencer is in the best of health, and his mental faculties are active and unimpaired, except as to recollection back of March last.

Six Stifled in a Hold.

Six immigrants were suffocated in the hold of the German steamer Herman while they were hiding from Russian inspectors. They with nine others had engaged passage on the Herman from Liban, Russia, to Hull, Eng., and were placed in the hold by an agent of the steamer. A suit for damages by their relatives will be brought against the owner of the vessel.

Death of Dr. Evans.

John Evans, of Homer City, died at the Presbyterian Hospital in Pittsburg of heart trouble. His case was remarkable. He was subject to periods of unconscious and lay as if dead. His pulse went as low as 24 and was never above 38. He was known as "the living dead man." Dr. Evans' strange condition was caused by a wound received during the war.

South Dakota Assessment.

The South Dakota State Board of Assessment and Equalization met Monday and began the work of assessment of corporations. Telephone companies were increased $20,000 and Pullman sleepers increased and Wagners decreased from last year.

Wreck Ruins Race Horses.

A wreck at North Indianapolis, on the Big Four road caused a parlor car for horses, containing the string belonging to J. E. Bush, of Louisville, to upset. Every horse was so much injured that it is thought none will ever race again.

They May Get Squeezed.

Canadian brokers are large holders of pork and expect to squeeze the Chicago operators in September. A rich syndicate has 200,000 barrels of September delivery, and more is being placed throughout the dominion.

A Grave Crisis in Hayti.

Many large commercial houses in Hayti are closing down owing to the unstable position of the Government. A $1,000,000 fire at Port-au-Prince has intensified the trouble. Gold has risen to 85 per cent.

Welsh Miners Are Buried.

A dispatch from Neath, Wales, announces that forty miners were entombed in the Bryncoch pit, near that place, by an explosion.

THE MARKETS.

Chicago—Cattle, common to prime, $3.50 to $4.75; hogs, shipping grades, $3.00 to $3.75; sheep, fair to choice, $2.50 to $3.50; wheat, No. 2 red, 57c to 59c; corn, No. 2, 24c to 26c; oats, No. 2, 17c to 19c; rye, No. 2, 30c to 31c; butter, choice creamery, 14c to 15c; eggs, fresh, 10c to 11c; new potatoes, per bushel, 20c to 25c; broom corn, common short to choice dwarf, $25 to $60 per ton.

Indianapolis—Cattle, shipping, $3.00 to $4.50; hogs, choice light, $3.00 to $3.75; sheep, common to prime, $2.00 to $3.50; wheat, No. 2, 57c to 59c; corn, No. 1 white, 26c to 27c; oats, No. 2 white, 20c to 22c.

St. Louis—Cattle, $3.50 to $4.50; hogs, $3.00 to $3.50; wheat, No. 2, 60c to 61c; corn, No. 2 yellow, 22c to 23c; oats, No. 2 white, 20c to 21c; rye, No. 2, 27c to 29c.

Cincinnati—Cattle, $3.50 to $4.50; hogs, $3.00 to $3.75; sheep, $2.50 to $3.75; wheat, No. 2, 61c to 63c; corn, No. 2 mixed, 25c to 26c; oats, No. 2 mixed, 19c to 22c; rye, No. 2, 31c to 33c.

Detroit—Cattle, $2.50 to $4.50; hogs, $3.00 to $3.50; sheep, $2.00 to $3.75; wheat, No. 2 red, 64c to 66c; corn, No. 2 yellow, 26c to 27c; oats, No. 2 white, 24c to 25c; rye, 31c to 32c.

Toledo—Wheat, No. 2 red, 64c to 66c; corn, No. 2 yellow, 26c to 28c; oats, No. 2 white, 19c to 21c; rye, No. 2, 32c to 33c; clover seed, $4.60 to $4.70.

Milwaukee—Wheat, No. 2 spring, 58c to 59c; corn, No. 3, 24c to 26c; oats, No. 2 white, 21c to 22c; barley, No. 2, 31c to 34c; rye, No. 1, 31c to 33c; pork, mess, $6.50 to $7.00.

Buffalo—Cattle, $2.50 to $4.75; hogs, $3.00 to $4.25; sheep, $3.25 to $3.75; wheat, No. 2 red, 66c to 67c; corn, No. 2 yellow, 31c to 33c; oats, No. 2 white, 25c to 27c.

New York—Cattle, $3.00 to $5.00; hogs, $3.00 to $4.25; sheep, $2.00 to $4.00; wheat, No. 2 red, 66c to 67c; corn, No. 2, 31c to 32c; oats, No. 2 white, 23c to 24c; butter, creamery, 11c to 16c; eggs, Western, 11c to 13c.

LEPROSY IN MEXICO.

COMPLAINT IS MADE THAT CHINESE BRING IT IN.

Mormon Colonies Prospering in the Southern Republic—More Railroads Wanted—Entire Section from Sonora South Lacking in Transportation.

They Marry Native Women.

Complaint is made that Chinese immigration on the west coast of Mexico is introducing leprosy, and it is also stated that Chinamen are marrying the women of the lower classes. Mormon colonies are prospering, owing to frugal and energetic business management. Railway construction in various parts of the republic is actively going on, and imports of English railway material, principally steel rails, are increasing. The policy of the government is now directed to the development and completion in the most essential parts the present railway system, the greatest lack of facilities being in southern Mexico and along the west coast, which is agriculturally and minerally the richest portion of the republic. The government, in granting modification of railway concessions, allows on portions not subventioned rates which fully compensate, in the opinion of railway men, the profit to be derived from the subsidies. The most profitable railway in the country to-day is the Mexican Northern, operating in the Sierra Mojava mining region, which has no subvention, but is allowed to charge high rates, having no competition, and is doing an excellent business. Representations are being made to the government by the chambers of commerce of the cities on the west coast, stating that the entire section from Sonora south is lacking in transportation facilities, and praying that measures be taken to supply the want and give life and impetus to the rich undeveloped country.

MAY BAR INSURANCE COMPANIES.

Colorado Commissioner Proposes to Use Anti-Silver Circulars.

It is announced that State Auditor Parks, of Colorado, who is ex-officio insurance commissioner, is about to spring a surprise upon some of the leading insurance companies. Several companies, it is said, have recently been sending circulars to their policy holders containing the assertion that if the Democratic party is successful in the coming election their policies will be worth but half the amount on which the premiums have been paid. It is said Mr. Parks has been quietly securing a collection of these circulars, which he claims are evidence of insolvency on the part of the companies, and he now proposes to cancel the licenses of all such companies which are now doing business in that State. It is claimed that the Auditor's judgment in such cases is final, and that if he insists upon this course the companies will be barred from doing business in the State.

TRAMP BURNED AT THE STAKE.

Louisiana Mob Metes Out Quick Justice to an Unknown Murderer.

An unknown white tramp was burned to death by a mob in Franklin parish, La., Wednesday night. A respectable white woman employed as a domestic was sent across Tensas River on an errand, and failing to return in proper time the family became alarmed and sent parties in search of her. The dead and horribly mutilated body of the woman was found in the woods partially concealed by brush. Suspicion pointed to a white tramp who had been seen near there. Dogs were used, and in a few hours the tramp was run down. He confessed that he had killed the woman, and the infuriated crowd bound him to the nearest tree, and, after burning his body and riddling it with bullets, quietly disappeared.

KICK ON A CUT IN PENSIONS.

Veterans in the Lafayette, Ind., Soldiers' Home Don't Like New Orders.

Veterans in the Soldiers' Home at Lafayette, Ind., have gone on strike. Orders were issued recently by the trustees of the home that all pension moneys in excess of $8 per month should be withheld from inmates and used to defray expenses of keeping the veterans. A number of soldiers affected by the order "struck" when they heard of the action, and a dozen or more have left the home. The trustees discharged several others. The action of the trustees is defended by most of the veterans. The men who left were working on the grounds when the order was published, and threw down their tools and walked out.

Wolverine and Badger Candidates.

Hazen F. Pingree, the famous inventor of the municipal potato patch, was on the fourth ballot nominated for Governor of Michigan by the Republican State convention at Grand Rapids Thursday afternoon. In Wisconsin, the same day, at the Republican State convention at Milwaukee, Maj. Edward Scofield, of Oconto, was nominated for Governor on the sixth ballot, after the most interesting fight ever seen in Wisconsin. The present State officers below the office of Governor were then renominated by acclamation in a bunch.

Child Killed by a Lion.

In Thomas Hurd's animal show at the Chillicothe, Ohio, fair grounds a large lion was chained near the entrance to the tent as a catching advertisement. Eddie Hurd, 18 months old, son of the proprietor, was playing near the animal, and the ferocious beast seized the infant by the head and shook it as a terrier dog would shake a rat until it was a corpse. The affair caused a panic in the crowded grounds.

Smallest Horse in the World.

At Canandaigua, N. Y., a colt was given birth by an Iceland pony mare belonging to a traveling circus. The animal weighs eight and one-half pounds. Its height is eleven inches. The colt was named Canandaigua. It was conveyed to the train in a market basket.

To Bar Out Our Grain.

Austria will organize an international union to protect the central European grain producers against American competition.

Sheriffs Favor the Curfew Law.

The Interstate Sheriffs' Association held its fifth annual convention at Denver, Colo. Gov. McIntyre and Mayor McMurray delivered addresses. The convention adopted resolutions in favor of the curfew law in all cities, towns and villages.

CONDITION OF CROPS.

EXCESSIVE HEAT AND LACK OF RAIN IN THE SOUTH.

Wheat and Oats in Illinois Injured by Wet Weather—Hot Winds in Oklahoma—Cotton Suffers Much—General Reports by States.

Hurt by Heat.

Reports received by the Department of Agriculture show that owing to excessive heat and lack of rainfall over the greater part of the Southern States the week just ended was less favorable than the preceding week. The general condition of cotton is not as good as was reported in the bulletin of the previous week, the intense heat having caused much shedding and premature opening of bolls. The general condition of corn in the principal corn States continues excellent. In southern Missouri, however, corn is suffering for rain, and the droughty conditions of the previous week in Arkansas, Louisiana and Mississippi have become more serious. Hot winds, with temperatures over 100 degrees, prevailed in Oklahoma, causing serious injury to late corn. The reports indicate that grain in shock and stack has been much injured by excessive rains of previous weeks. Spring wheat harvest is well advanced in southern portions of spring wheat regions, and the early sown is being cut in the northern portion. North Dakota reports fair yields of early wheat, but much of the late sown will not be cut. In Minnesota, spring wheat has been injured by insects. Tobacco continues in good condition, except in the Carolinas. Some cutting has been done as far north as Pennsylvania. State reports follow:

Illinois—Last week was one of great heat, the average temperature exceeded the normal from 2 to 8 degrees daily, while the maximum exceeded 90 degrees throughout the week in some counties of the State. Showers were very light. It was a favorable week for farm work, and thrashing was generally resumed. Considerable grain in central and southern counties is reported to be in an unmarketable condition. Plowing for fall seeding is well under way.

Missouri—The week has been the warmest of the season. In most counties corn continues to make good progress. Gardens have suffered more or less and pastures are getting short. Fall plowing is in progress in nearly all sections. Grapes and late peaches are ripening.

Wisconsin—The heavy rains in southern and middle sections were of great benefit to corn, buckwheat, pastures and new seeding, but slightly injurious to grain in the shock, which is reported sprouting in some localities. Harvesting is about completed and some thrashing is being done. The army worm is disappearing. Fall plowing has commenced.

Minnesota—Week favorable, being warm and showery. Corn is making excellent progress. Small grain harvest is well advanced. Late crops generally need more rain.

South Dakota—Copious, well distributed rains greatly benefited corn and other late crops, but retarded small grain harvest, which is nearly completed in southern, far advanced in central and progressing in northern counties. Considerable crops ruined by hail in several counties.

Nebraska—The showery week has hindered thrashing and stacking of small grain and caused some damage to grain in shock and stack. Corn continues in unusually fine condition, except in a few southwestern counties, where it is below average in condition.

Kansas—Hot, dry week, except fine rains in central northern counties. Conditions generally favorable.

Iowa—Continued wet and cloudy weather retarded stacking and thrashing. Many reports of oats rotting and sprouting, with considerable damage to spring wheat in shock. Corn generally very promising. Potatoes, pastures and second-crop clover making luxuriant growth.

Indiana—Corn on uplands throughout the State continues in magnificent condition, but on low lands is still submerged. The potato crop is large, though much rotting, because of wet weather. Melons are ripening, peaches are abundant and the apple crop in northern part of State is very large. Thrashing of wheat and oats proceeds but slowly, much in shock being ruined by the wet weather, sprouting and rotting. Fall plowing is going nicely, with soil in excellent condition, and the pasturage exceedingly good.

Ohio—Unusually warm, with numerous heavy storms. Crops on well drained lands made good progress, but those on river bottoms suffered badly, and farm work greatly interfered with. Grapes are ripening and peaches are plenty.

Michigan—Still droughty over northern Michigan, while excessive rains over southern counties have damaged oats and wheat in shock and stack and delayed farm work. Weather has been favorable for good growth of corn, beans and potatoes. Pastures in southern counties are good, but in northern part of State they are brown and poor.

FALL OF THE MOORES.

Diamond Match and Biscuit Deals Come to a Sudden End.

Like a thunderbolt out of a clear sky came the announcement from Chicago Tuesday that the Moore brothers, the giants behind the great Diamond Match and New York Biscuit deals, had failed. The sensation produced in "the street"—that indefinite term used to describe the banks, brokers' offices and the business places of the big men in finance without regard to their location—was most profound.

While the effects of the failure will be far-reaching and widespread, a Chicago paper asserts that there will be no panic. The Chicago Stock Exchange did not open Tuesday, and it will remain closed until arrangements shall have been completed to settle the trades outstanding. This action was decided upon at a meeting of the governing committee. The action of closing the exchange was commended on all sides. It was admitted that if an attempt had been made to carry on trading under present circumstances serious trouble would surely have followed in which all stocks would have suffered materially. Operators cite the fact that during the panic of 1873, when banks were failing all over the country, the New York exchange closed its doors and remained closed from Saturday, Sept. 21, for ten days, resuming on Tuesday, the 30th. For some time thereafter there was very little business transacted. The exchange was also closed in 1869, when Gould cornered the gold, and Black Friday made it absolutely necessary to stop the wheels of business.

The speculative deal, of which the failure of the Moore brothers is the beginning of the end, began early in this year. The head and front of the speculative movement were the Moore brothers, but they were ably seconded by the most prominent local and eastern speculators.

The Standard Diggers News at Johannesburg publishes an interview with President Kruger, in which he states that he has declined to interfere in behalf of Dr. Jameson. The president pointed out that the British Government had still to decide who were the ringleaders in the Jameson raid.

At the Hurst park summer meeting Pierre Lorillard's American horse Draco won the 2-years' plate of 300 sovereigns, distance five furlongs straight, from four starters. His horse, King of Bohemia II., won the Hurst park holiday handicap.

STATE OF MICHIGAN.

OCCURRENCES DURING THE PAST WEEK.

Valuable Address by Dr. V. C. Vaughn—Nice Point in Heirship to Be Decided by the Oakland Probate Court—Supreme Court Upholds Game Laws.

Prevention of Disease.

Dr. Victor C. Vaughn, of Ann Arbor, gave a practical talk to the teachers of the summer school and others on the restriction of diseases, following along the line mainly of the work mapped out by the State Board of Health for public school education on the subject, treating first of smallpox. He said that 200 years ago it was the exception to meet a man in London whose face was not marked by this disease. Now to meet such a person is a rare exception. Jenner's discoveries and the introduction of vaccination, compulsory and voluntary, are responsible for this, and by universal vaccination the disease can, beyond all question, be absolutely stamped out. Confining himself to the practical restriction of typhoid fever and consumption, the two most troublesome diseases, Dr. Vaughn said that both can and are going to be absolutely exterminated, though the medical profession is, without boasting, fully 100 years ahead of popular opinion. The time will come, he said, when a municipality will be liable for damages for a case of typhoid fever contracted within its limits, for 99 out of every 100 of such cases are caused by an impure water supply. Until that time comes the watchword, said the doctor, is boil your water, whether you feel sure it is free from germs or not. Boil it anyway for half an hour and make doubly sure. If people would quit drinking water not sterilized or boiled, typhoid fever will disappear. As to consumption, there is no danger of contracting merely from daily contact with a consumptive, even from sleeping with him. The germs are not exhaled from the body, but come merely from the matter coughed up.

Game Laws Are Valid.

The legality of game and fish laws of the State was sustained by the Supreme Court in the cases of Thos. O'Neil and Jacob Hoffner, who were convicted of selling quail and brook trout during the closed season. The court says that the game law would be nugatory during prohibited seasons if game could be imported from a neighboring State, as it would be impossible to show, in most instances, where the game was caught. The Legislature is declared to have the right to absolutely prohibit the sale of fish or game caught within the State during a closed season, or the entire year, and the right to prohibit the importation and sale of game or fish with the same purpose is also affirmed, the statute being held to be valid.

Report on Michigan Banks.

A consolidated statement showing the condition of 174 State banks and four trust companies of Michigan at the close of business July 14 was issued by Banking Commissioner Sherwood. The total loans, discounts, stocks, bonds and mortgages were $68,479,782, a decrease of $1,266,643 since the report of May 7. The deposits are $68,209,554, a decrease of $217,011. Savings deposits have risen to $42,989,087, the increase being $335,462. Commercial deposits have fallen from $15,278,754 to $14,418,259. The capital stock has decreased $110,050 and the total resources $598,731. A slight falling off in the amount of gold coin in the banks is observed.

Which Died First?

About two weeks ago Mr. and Mrs. John Peer, an aged and well-to-do couple, were killed by the cars near the village of Novi. No person witnessed the accident, and when discovered both were dead. They left no children. In this case, according to the law, if the wife died first after being struck by the train, all of the husband's personal property would revert to his heirs. If he died first, then half would go to his heirs and half to her, and thence to her heirs. The heirs of both parties have engaged counsel and will attempt to settle the case in the probate court.

Highwaymen in Manistee.

Two highwaymen held up two street cars in the outskirts of Manistee Thursday night and compelled the conductors and motormen to give up all the money in their possession. The hold-up occurred in a secluded spot. There were no passengers and the highwaymen jumped on board and quickly covered the crew with revolvers. Then they ordered them to go ahead after the booty was secured. Before assistance could be sent back the last car for the night had reached the spot and one passenger and the car men were compelled to undergo the same treatment as the others. About $35 was stolen. The men are tramps and had been about the city for a week.

Short State Items.

Verne Downer, civil engineer for the Benton Harbor, Eastern and Transit Railroad, attempted suicide. He is in a precarious condition.

Thomas J. Clark, a lifer from Huron County, died at Jackson Saturday. His aged father is unable to care for the remains, and they will be sent to Ann Arbor.

Miss Bertha Wattles, sister of Banker Oliver Wattles, of Lapeer, is dead. She recently gave several hundred dollars towards the purchase of the chimes for the new Catholic church.

At Decatur, lying upon his death bed, with only a few hours of life in prospect, Simeon Barrett hastened the end by shooting himself through the head during the absence of the attendants.

Henry Lueders, formerly a saloonkeeper at Muskegon, died in Milwaukee. This is the second time he has been placed in a coffin. Years ago in Germany he apparently died and was made ready for burial.

Richard Bookey, of Grattan, was seen in a saloon at 10 o'clock at night and was found at his barn, three miles distant, the next morning in an unconscious condition. He died in a few hours. All sorts of reports are afloat, but the exact cause of his death is yet a mystery.

A stranger was arrested at Hastings and held as a lunatic, simply because he picked up cigar stubs on the street and smoked them. And yet hundreds of young chaps, who smoke compounds of the same stuff, covered with white rice paper, have access to the best regulated social circle

Ground has been broken at South Haven for a second new canning factory.

Many fields of potatoes are under water in northern Berrien and Van Buren Counties.

There is talk of building a road from Standish to Point Lookout, at a cost of $50,000.

Barney Haley, a Jackson ex-convict, made two attempts to hang himself. He was cut down both times.

Cars on the Inter-Urban road are running regularly between Saginaw and Bay City and having a large patronage.

The Detroit and Mackinac bridge at Bay City is about completed, and it is hoped to have cars running by Sept. 1.

Emmett County, which has hitherto been practically free from pests that injure fruit, is literally alive with army worms.

In the absence of the sheriff from town, Saginaw jail birds loosened a lot of screws and were nearly ready for a general exodus when discovered.

Benton Harbor firemen ask a lot of western Michigan cities to join in organizing a fireman's tournament association, to give exhibitions every year.

An Adrian lady hung her pet dog because it contracted the habit of running away from home nights. Her husband may always be found at home now.

Grand Haven is proud of her new bonded warehouse, which only lacks the final coat of paint to complete it and which is already declared "an ornament to the town."

The little grandson of Michael Nichols, of Utica, was very badly bitten during a fight between three valuable bird dogs. As it could not be settled which dog did the deed all three were killed.

Despite hard times, little work and low prices, seventy-five of Marlette's citizens went to Saginaw to take in the Buffalo Bill show, while fifty-four went to Port Huron for the same purpose.

The new St. Mary's Catholic Church at Muskegon, costing $75,000, will be dedicated Sunday, Aug. 30, with imposing ceremonies by Bishop Richter. Priests from all over the State will be present.

Norma Williams, a farmer living near Bingham, was bitten by a hog several weeks ago, and on Sunday night died of his injuries. He carried a $5,000 life insurance policy in the Michigan Mutual Life Insurance Co.

William H. Wilcox, of South Haven, has received notice that by special act of Congress he has been awarded a medal of honor for marked bravery and gallantry in the battle of Spottsylvania Court House thirty-two years ago.

Asabel George Hopkins, Jr., a well-known resident of Muskegon, took a long walk in the sun while suffering from a slight indisposition, was overcome by the heat, taken home by a friend, and finally died of paralysis induced by sunstroke.

The prospect that Berrien Springs is to become a lively town in the near future is encouraging, it being on the eve of a large water power being created by the damming of the St. Joe river at that point, the continuation of the St. Joe Valley Railroad from Berrien Springs to Benton Harbor, etc.

A Phoenix block elevator, at Bay City, got stuck. Several men crawled out through a small opening. Joseph Brissette got all his body out excepting his head, when the elevator suddenly started. Everybody expected to see him beheaded, but the screen gave way, and he escaped with a few bruises.

Magnus Elandson, of Muskegon, and his family had a narrow escape from cremation at an early hour Tuesday morning. The only exit was a window, and through this the wife and mother were handed out, unconscious. It is thought that the house was set on fire. Last week three cows belonging to the family were poisoned and all died. About the same time Mr. Elandson found a note written on a piece of brown paper and stuck in the fence. It read: "Get your d——d city cows out of here."

Monday evening at Adrian a head-end collision occurred on the Wabash between the engine and caboose going east and the gravel train going west, the two engines coming together almost at full speed just west of the city limits. One engineer was hurt in jumping from a car. How the others escaped is a miracle. Fifteen empty gravel cars were piled up and both engines practically ruined. The cause of the accident could not be learned, but it is said to be from orders directing the wild engine to meet at Adrian and the gravel train to meet the engine at Sand Creek.

While B. Abels, one of the old pioneers of Elsie, was accidentally shot by a target rifle in the hands of some boys, aged about 12 years, who were in a boat on the river. Mr. Abels was upon a high bank, and the ball entered just back of the ear and penetrated the brain. A physician was immediately summoned and probed for the bullet, but could not reach it. It is not thought the old gentleman, who is about 70 years old, will recover. It is thought that the shock will kill his wife, who has been in very poor health for several years, having had several bad attacks of heart trouble.

A few weeks ago Mrs. Esther Brooks, the wife of a well-to-do farmer residing in the township of Ross, Kalamazoo County, was arrested in a store in Battle Creek in the act of shoplifting. She had been spotted for some time by the merchants. When searched by a lady clerk two pockets were found in an underskirt that each would hold half a bushel. Mrs. Brooks is 60 years of age, and has lived on their present farm for thirty years. Her house was searched by an officer and found richly furnished with elegant goods, especially fine linens. He found fifteen table cloths which had never been laundered. The taking of the goods was not denied, but the defense introduced the testimony of two physicians who swore that she was not responsible for her acts on account of her physical and mental condition, and the jury brought in a verdict of not guilty. The case attracted much attention from her neighborhood.

Striking shipbuilders and non-union men drew revolvers and knives on each other in the Turgeon House, Bay City, Saturday night. Police arrived before any harm was done.

Emil Weiss, 23 years of age, unmarried, residing near Port Hope, was killed while driving a team of colts hitched to a water tank. The colts became frightened and started, the end of the wagon tongue dropped out of the neckyoke, the tongue striking the ground, causing a sudden stop to the wagon and throwing Weiss about fifteen feet, he striking his head on a stone in the road, killing him instantly.

PINGREE IS CHOSEN.

MICHIGAN REPUBLICANS NAME HIM FOR GOVERNOR.

Detroit's Famous Mayor Is Given the Gubernatorial Potato at Grand Rapids—Four Ballots Were Necessary—The Full Ticket and Platform.

Republican State Ticket.

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For Lieutenant Governor..Thos. B. Dunston
For Secretary of State..Washington Gardner
For State Treasurer.....George A. Steel
For Auditor General.....Roscoe D. Dix
For Attorney General.....Fred A. Maynard
For Commissioner of Land Office.....
.....William A. French
For Superintendent of Public Instruction.....Jason E. Hammond

Mayor Pingree of Detroit won the Republican nomination for Governor in the State convention. He had been bitterly opposed, and the fight was closer than has ever before been seen in a Michigan convention, but after it was all over the defeated candidates came on the platform and pledged their support to the ticket.

The Republican State nominating convention met at noon Wednesday at Grand Rapids, with the galleries and platform packed. The convention was called to order by State Chairman D. M. Ferry, who took occasion to say that the Michigan Republicans had assembled to ratify the ticket and to indorse the platform adopted at St. Louis.

The Rev. Dr. John L. Jackson invoked the Divine blessing, and then Victor M. Gore was introduced as temporary chairman. He made a vigorous speech in favor of gold, which was heartily applauded.



HAZEN S. PINGREE.

He said:

"We are convened in a year fraught with irreconcilable issues—a year of tremendous tides on the sea of American politics. We are assembled not only to nominate candidates for office. That is only a part of our important work. The great crisis of 1896 is a call to arms to every patriot and the best thought and loftiest feeling of the United State expects this great commonwealth to do her duty. The St. Louis platform is the most courageous, the most commanding, the most far-seeing political document of recent years. That platform declares for protection—our firesides and factories demand that; it declares for reciprocity—our foreign trade demands that; it says that immigrants who can neither read nor write shall not land on these shores—our citizenship demands that, the recruiting necessities of the Democratic party notwithstanding; it boldly and righteously declares for the existing gold standard—sound policy and our plighted faith in thunder tones demand that. What is the import of that grand declaration for the existing standard? It recognizes that to maintain inviolate the national credit we are under bonds to the public opinion of mankind. It means also a dollar bearing the stamp of this republic shall be worth 100 cents in every pocket and in every market on this globe.

"It is a striking anomaly that the South and the West are chiefly dominated by this silver infatuation, while those sections should be the first to uphold the existing gold standard. Their surplus products—cotton, rice and tobacco of the South, and grain, beef and pork of the West—are sold eo European countries where the gold standard exists. What ruin awaits our agricultural interests if the American farmer is forced to sell on the gold basis and compelled to buy on the basis of inflated silver.

"'Ah,' shout Bryan and Altgeld, 'gold has appreciated.' That proposition cannot be maintained. One day's labor during Harrison's administration would buy more gold than the same labor would buy in 1873—the year of the centennial crime. And after thirty years of Republican rule one day's labor in the United States commands more gold than ever before. Could these worthy exhorters pay Republican policy a higher tribute than to explain the fall in prices by saying that gold has appreciated? since, if that be true, American wages have appreciated even more than gold. While these consistent men thus laud their mascot of free silver they utterly damn their old mascot of free trade. They doubtless console themselves by the reflection that a dead donkey can't bray.

"'The boy orator of the Platte' and the other boys—his companions in politics—say that free silver coinage will expand circulation. The exact reverse is true. Free coinage would first contract the currency $600,000,000 by driving out gold; and, secondly, $300,000,000 more when our silver is deprived of its gold support and slumps to its bullion value. Yet one of the bell arguments of the silver men is that they are going to give us more money.

"The Charleston convention of 1860 held a second adjourned session in Chicago last month. The Charleston revolutionists demanded a platform to uphold slavery. The Chicago revolutionists demanded a platform to uphold silver. The former is memorable for its spirit of secession and anarchy—what prophet can name the next and third head of the hydra monster? The lash of the slave driver ruled at Charleston—the infatuated tools of the silver-mine owners ruled at Chicago. Both raged with the white heat of delirious passion. Charleston struck at the constitution, resolved to keep an old stain upon it—Chicago struck at the constitution, resolved to fasten a new stain upon it. The old stain was washed away in Lincoln's blood—and in God's providence the new stain will vanish with McKinley's triumph."

The Committee on Credentials finally came in with two reports. Judge M. C. Burch, for six members of the committee, reported to seat the Bliss delegation, and H. H. Burch, for five members, reported in favor of the Pingree delegation, and each side was given half an hour to debate it. After a debate it was decided by a majority of three to seat both delegations from St. Clair. When the convention reassembled at 2:30 o'clock speeches were made by Congressmen McCall of Boston and Smith of Grand Rapids, G. J. Dickema and John Patton Jr. Ex-Lieut. Gov. J. Dwight Giddings of Cadillac was made permanent chairman, and Burt Parker of Monroe permanent secretary.

Indorse the National Platform.

The report of the Committee on Resolutions was adopted without debate or amendment, as follows:

The Republicans of Michigan, in convention assembled, do affirm:

We declare our continued allegiance to the Republican party, which now, as heretofore, stands for the upholding of law and order, the encouragement and protection of the commerce of our country, its industries, its labor, its farms and firesides, the development of its resources, the maintenance of its credit and the defense of its honor among the nations of the world.

We accept and indorse the platform of the National Republican Convention of 1896 at St. Louis, and we call upon all loyal citizens of the republic to unite in its support.

We denounce the so-called Democratic national platform recently adopted at Chicago for its insults to our courts and our judges, for its pandering to disorder and mob violence, for its sympathy with anarchism, for its proposal to repudiate public and private debts, and for its intention to substitute silver monometallism in place of the wise and liberal policy and practice of the Republican party, which has been and is the use of gold, silver and paper as the currency of the nation.

We congratulate the party upon the eminently wise and satisfactory selection of its standard-bearers in the present national campaign. We zealously emphasize our fealty to that distinguished American statesman, William McKinley, who best embodies those patriotic and progressive expressions of economic purposes—protection, reciprocity and honest money—and our equally unreserved confidence in the ability and fitness of the candidate for Vice President, Garret A. Hobart.

With this statement of our political creed, and recalling to your remembrance the able, faithful and economical manner in which the Republican party has through its executives in the past administered the domestic affairs of this State, we frankly invite inspection of its record, challenging criticism of its control of public business. We indorse the administration of our honored executive, Gov. John T. Rich, whose fearless and vigorous fidelity is commended. We favor the strictest economy in all State departments. We pledge our earnest co-operation in carrying out the will of this convention as should be expressed in its choice of candidates for various State offices, and submit our cause to the voters, confident of victory.

The convention then decided to proceed with the presentation of candidates for Governor.

Nominating speeches were called for. Judge Wisner of Flint presented the name of D. D. Aitkin, C. E. Townsend of Jackson that of James O'Donnell, Judge J. H. McAlvay of Manistee spoke for Wheeler, Benton Hanchett of Saginaw for Bliss, and Charles Flower of Detroit for Pingree. Each speaker was long and loudly applauded.

Thursday.

When the convention assembled Thursday morning the St. Clair contest came up for a final hearing, and was put to rest by seating both delegations. Then the seconding speeches for the candidates were made, the principal nominationg speeches having been made Wednesday night.

The first ballot gave Pingree, 339; Bliss, 286; O'Donnell, 83; Aitkin, 56; Wheeler, 47, and Conant, 22. On the second ballot Pingree received 358 and Bliss 297, and on the third Pingree 405 and Bliss 308. The Pingree gain had been gradual, a few from one county and a few from another. The fourth ballot was conclusive: Pingree 443, twenty-six more than enough to nominate; Bliss, 287; O'Donnell, 79, and Aitken, 17. The



COL. A. T. BLISS.

fourth ballot was the signal for a whirlwind, and the convention took a recess.

In the afternoon Mayor Pingree and the defeated candidates were brought before the convention. Mayor Pingree said he always had been a square-toed Republican, and always would be; that he believed in reciprocity, protection and McKinley, and would express himself more fully in an address to the people. The defeated candidates made speeches, pledging their support to the ticket, and all were applauded. The balance of the ticket was made up either by acclamation or on a single ballot, and the convention adjourned at 7 o'clock.

EDUCATIONAL COLUMN

NOTES ABOUT SCHOOLS AND THEIR MANAGEMENT.

Value of Music in the Public Schools—California Girl Sells Papers to Pay Her Tuition—Education and Learning Differ—A Child's Comprehension

Music as an Educator.

Education is a familiarity between the mind and things. Familiarity between the mind and things which produce the best competency or easiest existence, is the education desired by the masses. Grammar and geography develop memory; arithmetic and algebra develop discipline; music, art, etc., develop sensibility and refinement. There was a time when the three R's education insured a fair competency, but that time is past. To prepare the boys and girls for the greatest usefulness and happiness, and to enable them to act well their part in the great drama of life, is the great educational problem of to-day.

That vocal music is one of the agencies to be employed to secure this end has ceased to be a debatable question. It pays to learn reading, writing and arithmetic merely because we are better prepared to battle for a bare existence. It pays to study geography and astronomy because we learn facts that put us in touch with the races and the universe. It pays to study algebra and geometry for the mental discipline attained, and a score of reasons can be given as proofs that it will pay to learn both vocal and instrumental music. It pays many teachers of music who receive from three to six dollars per hour for private lessons. It pays many others who earn a competency as teachers and performers. It pays many mechanics and merchants who make and sell thousands of musical instruments. It pays in the public schools to begin and end the day with song. It pays in the family and social circle where we are entertained with divine melody, or where brother and sister or the whole family can join in the home concert. It will pay any community large or small, to spend some time and money in learning this heavenly language—the only one not invented by man, and probably the only one he will be permitted to take with him to the spirit world.

Music will make your boy a gentleman, your girl a lady. It will keep your boy home evenings; if it will keep him from the saloon and degrading streets, will it not pay? Save the boys by giving them something to do that is pleasant and beautiful. Save the young boys and the young men will take care of themselves.

We believe every teacher should study music and try to teach it. You will probably say, I can't sing! Can you read? Every teacher studies reading and tries to teach it. By trying to teach the rudiments of music, giving blackboard exercises and singing lively, cheerful children's songs, you will not only increase your own knowledge in this "heavenly science," but will increase the interest in your school. Music cultivates discipline and refines. Its power soothes the unruly pupil and commands his respect for you. We believe the annual teachers' institute is the place to talk and teach this subject. The county institute officers can do more than any one else. If they would engage a competent music teacher as one of their normal faculty the teachers would receive instruction that would qualify them to teach this subject. If as much time were put on music as any other branch in our schools it would not be in the background, but would be considered as important as any other branch. We cannot teach that which we have not been taught. Let us begin at the beginning to teach it. We have been teaching music in the public schools for fourteen years and have long been convinced that "music as an educator" excels.—G. W. Fields, in Voice and Melody.

Education and Learning.

It is a very common error of the popular mind to confound the education with learning. The phrase "a well educated man," or "a highly educated man" is not unfrequently applied to one who has gone through a college or university course with success. In the sense in which the word education is more properly used, a man may be very learned and at the same time a very illy educated person. A man is not necessarily a well educated man because he commands the whole range of mathematics, biology, sociology and all other allied sciences, or is versed in Greek dialects. Latin, prose or the verse of Horace. He may know all these and yet be very poorly fitted to discharge the functions and duties of life.—D. M. Delmas.

Room at the Top.

Never you mind the crowd, lad,
Or fancy your life won't tell;
The work is a work for a' that
To him that doeth it well.
Fancy the world a hill, lad;
Look where the millions stop!
You'll find the crowd at the base, lad;
There's always room at the top.

Courage and faith and patience;
There's space in the old world yet;
The better the chance you stand, lad,
The farther along you get.
Keep your eye on the goal, lad;
Never despair nor drop;
Be sure that your path leads upward
There's always room at the top.

Three Terse Thoughts.

No one who is at all familiar with child life has failed to note how much more a child can comprehend than it can express. The value of any process in teaching is determined very largely by the teacher who applies it. We must have order and quietness in the schoolroom. But we should ever remember that order is not mechanical stiffness, neither is thoughtless rigidity. It is a happy combination of thought and action working toward the one common purpose for which schools exist at all.—F. B. Dresslar.

Works for Her Tuition.

Miss Clara Howard is working her way through the University of California. Miss Howard refuses to be called a new woman. She does not believe in woman suffrage, nor bloomers, nor stump-speaking for women, but she does believe in a woman getting an education and a thorough one, even if she has to work for it. Miss Howard is delivering newspapers in order to pay her way through the university. She has made several attempts to complete her education and perfect herself in a very ambitious line of work—philosophy. She originally entered college with the class of '87, coming from Iowa. During her freshman year at the Berkeley University the East Oregon govern-



MISS CLARA HOWARD.

ment land craze broke out. She, with an only brother, caught the fever and left college for Oregon, where she filed upon a timber claim, proved up on it and homesteaded the property, living upon it with her brother while she complied with the legal requirements. When she had perfected the title she returned to Berkeley and entered the class of '98 as a special student in philosophy. She secured the Berkeley agency for a San Francisco paper. The route was small and not very remunerative when she first took possession and she filled the office of owner, carrier and solicitor. She got the papers when they arrived from San Francisco and delivered them at the houses of her customers. She collected the bills for the paper herself and in the time that was left between collecting, delivering papers and studying Kant she made a house-to-house canvass of the entire town of Berkeley for subscribers. The canvass was very successful, for in a short time she had secured enough additional subscribers to be able to employ a number of small boys, who now deliver the papers, while Miss Howard does the collecting and soliciting to keep the route up.

Smiles.

Father—"Why don't you sit down?" Son—"This morning I asked you how many made a million, an' you said, "Darned few." I told the teacher that in the arithmetic class to-day, an' that's why I can't sit down."—School Board Journal.

Correction, to be effective, should be prompt, but not too prompt.

"I is——" began Tommy, when his teacher interrupted him. "That is wrong; you should say, "I am." Tommy accepted the rebuke with becoming docility, and continued, "I am the ninth letter of the alphabet."—Harper's Bazar.

A class of boys had this sentence given them for correction: "We saw a marble bust of Sir Walter Scott entering the vestibule." One of the boys handed in the following version, which bears evidence of having been made in the springtime: "Entering the vestibule, we saw Sir Walter Scott bust a marble."

The following composition was written by a ten-year-old nephew of Josh Billings, when the teacher gave him "Dogs and Cats" for a subject: "Dogs and kats always fite ech uther when tha git a chance, but a dog ain't no match for a kat, because a kat kin make her tail biggern a ball club and run up a tree whil a dogs gittin' riddy. —School Board Journal.

CAUGHT BY A CABLE.

The Strange Accident that Befell a Whale in the Ocean's Depths.

Submarine cables are usually imbedded in the slimy bottom of the ocean, but at certain points they hang like wire bridges over deep submarine valleys, so that whales and other large inhabitants of the deep may become dangerous to the cable. Once in a while it is the cable that becomes dangerous to the whales, as recently shown in an accident to the western Brazilian line.

There was some difficulty with the wire, and after many futile efforts the seat of the trouble was discovered 76 miles north of Santa Catharina. The cable ship Viking was sent to repair the damage, and began to take up the wire. After the cable proper had been grappled and was wound to the surface on the large drums provided for the purpose, it was found that it floated very much easier and was more buoyant than is usually the case.

The reason was discovered when in a loop of the cable the carcass of a whale of more than sixty feet in length came into view. It appears that the whale had become caught under the cable, and, not being able to lift it nor to go forward nor back, it became suffocated. By its last spasms or attempts to free itself the whale had damaged the cable so that the insulation was rubbed off and the wire became useless.

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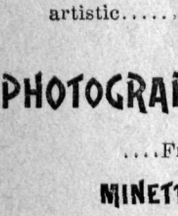
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England has just been given another cause to find fault with and continue her enmity to the United States. Police Court Judge Stone, of Lawrence, Mass., decides that Ireland is an independent sovereignty. As told by an exchange the case is as follows: "It appears that on the eve of the last celebration of the anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence one Patrick O'Brien, of Lawrence, a contractor who claims Irish descent, placed a green flag on the chimney of the unfinished Sixth Ward school of that town, in violation of a local ordinance which makes it an offence punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, to place the flag or emblem of a foreign country on the outside of a public building.

When O'Brien was brought into court his counsel raised the point that the green flag was not the emblem of a foreign country, because Ireland is not an independent sovereignty. Judge Stone has looked up the authorities, and he decides that Ireland is a country in its own right in that it had kings, laws and internal disorders before England ever existed, and that Ireland is properly the ruling power and England a subsidiary one, however brute force may prevail in the conduct of the affairs of the two islands at present.

LIST OF JURORS.

Drawn for the September term of the circuit court, summoned to be in attendance on the second day of September.

□ Assyria—Frank Falk, Fred A. Brown.
□ Baltimore—Lewis Hill, Bert Blivin.
Barry—Lyman E. Andrus, Andrew J. Kelley.
Carlton—William Williams, Lemuel R. Foreman.
Castleton—Michael Ehret, C. F. Wilkinson.
Hastings—W. J. Fisher, Wm. H. Houghtalin.
Hastings city: 1st ward—Wright H. Garrison.
2d ward—Fred Tungate;
3d ward—Charles Nobles;
4th ward—Rufus H. Cherry.
Hope—William Enzian, Solomon Stanton.
Irving—Hudson L. Sisson, Charles Lictka.
Johnstown—Reuben Webster, Uhn H. Fisk.
Maple Grove—William Martin, George Brown.
Orangeville—David Cooper.
Prairieville—Adolph Kammerer.
Rutland—Fred Otis.
Thornapple—Richard Clark.
Woodland—David Woodard.
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MINNESOTA "AT HOME."

Minnesota will be "at home" to all the people of her sister states during the week commencing Monday, August 31, and ending Saturday, September 5. During this time, the National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic will occur in St. Paul, an Encampment of the Knights of Pythias will be held in Minneapolis and upon the grounds of the State Agricultural Society, midway between these cities, the State Fair will provide entertainment for everybody. Low passenger rates, available for everyone, are announced upon all railways and the number of visitors is expected to be very large. For this reason the scope of the Fair is being materially widened. Not only will the products of Minnesota be lavishly displayed, but Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Montana and the Dakotas will make comprehensive exhibits of their agricultural, forestry and mineral wealth as well. Visitors will be richly entertained and will find spread out before them for inspection the resources of this wonderful section of the country.

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SCHOOL COLUMN.

[Edited by Flora J. Beadle, Commr.]

THE TEACHERS' READING CIRCLE.

The course in the Michigan Teachers' Reading Circle for 1896-7 consists of King's School Interests and Duties and a choice of one of the two following general culture studies, Selections from Emerson, Irving and Webster with Watkin's American Literature, or Skinner's "Readings in Folk-lore."

The "Selections from Emerson, Irving and Watkins" are so well known as to need no comment.

King's "School Interests and Duties" is a new work, original in its scope and plan, and presents interesting and valuable expositions of the modern demands, best methods and most important interests of our Public School System. Its central idea is to show the importance and value of co-operation in school work and the mutual duties of teachers, school officers and parents.

It also embodies synopses of the discussions on leading educational topics from the various reports and manuals issued from time to time, by school officials and State Departments of Education. While this book has been prepared with special reference to the needs of Teachers Reading Circles and Associations, it will be found an invaluable manual and guide for school superintendents, school officers and patrons as well as for every one interested in educational work.

It seeks to develope a professional spirit among teachers, discusses the Teacher's Institute in all its phases and presents a succinct history and discussion of the Teachers' and Pupils' Reading Circles, their purposes, plans and progress. It discusses the use of the dictionary so broadly and specifically as to lay the foundation for better work in all departments of study. It treats of the teacher's relation to public opinion, in such a manner as to throw new light upon the sphere of the teacher's influence in the community and in the Nation. "Folk-lore" is a subject of reigning interest in the world of culture at the present time—in America as well as in Europe. The larger cities have their folk-lore clubs, and reading circles are devoting to this theme very much of their work in the line of general culture. The periodical literature of the day is indicative of the same tendency. Historical critics of the highest rank have devoted profound and unwearied labor to the investigation and analysis of legendary loss.

The poets of the present century have illuminated the subject with their brightest work-coloring, and have placed in enduring and beautiful forms the wonderful pictures that have come down to us from far off-years in folk-songs and fireside tales.

The aim and purpose of this work is to acquaint the teacher with native American legends, which explain many geographical names and give the topography of our own country a distinctive coloring. (2) To throw light upon the early history and literature of Great Britain and the northern countries of Europe. (3) To make comprehensive to teachers the subject of popular pageants, as the *Mardi Gras* of southern cities, the Ice Palace Carnival of northern cities, etc. (4) To enable the reader to understand modern paintings and sculpture, in their manifold forms relating to mythology and folk-lore. (5) To direct the reader where to look for valuable works on many very interesting and important subjects in the line of higher culture, etc. While we had a circle of over one hundred members last year, it is expected we will have a much larger circle this year.

The books will be on sale at the school house during the Institute.

King's "School Interests and Duties." $1.00. Skinner's "Reading in Folklore" $1.00. Selections from Emerson, Irving and Webster with Watkins American Literature. $.90

TEACHERS' EXAMINATION.

The next regular teacher's examination will be held in Hastings, August 20, 21, at the school-house.

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The American Protective Tariff League has re-issued "Blaine's reply to Gladstone" for use in this campaign, by special arrangement with the North American Review. This famous essay was incorporated in the remarks of Congressman Chester I. Long of Kansas, delivered in Congress.

BUCKLIN'S ARNICA SALVE.

The best salve in the world for cuts, bruises, sores, ulcers, salt rheum, fever sores, tetter, chapped hands, chilblains, corns, and all skin eruptions, and positively cures piles or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25 sents per box. For sale by J. W. Armstrong.

Don't trifle away time when you have cholera morbus or diarrhœa. Fight them in the beginning with DeWitt's Colic and Cholera Cure. You don't have to wait for results, they are instantaneous, and it leaves the bowels in healthy condition. Dr. Nelson Abbott.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Name and Residence.	Age.
George M. Viers, Johnstown; Jennie Iauch, Ross	28—32
John Miller, Castleton; Edith Appleman, same	21—19
Homer R. Kline, Hastings; Gertrude E. Kelley, Hope	21—21
John Aspinwall, Woodland; Mary B. Parker, Carlton	22—20

Many a day's work is lost by sick headache, caused by indigestion and stomach troubles. De Witt's Little Early Risers are the most effectual pill for overcoming such difficulties. Dr. Nelson Abbott.

On the 9th inst. the son of Beck Winchell of Ogden near Blissfield, fell from the feeding board of a threshing machine and was ground to pieces.

The whole system is drained and undermined by indolent sores. De Witt's Witch Hazel Salve speedily heals them. It is the best pile cure known. Dr. Nelson Abbott.

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ADVERTISED LETTERS.

MIDDLEVILLE P. O., Aug. 8, 1896.

Letters addressed to persons named below remain unclaimed in this office and will be sent to the Dead Letter Office if not claimed by Aug. 22, 1896:

NAMES.

Herbert Dunham, Mr. Minott S. Hedges, Miss Phebe W. Brown.

Please say "advertised" when asking for advertised letters.

DAVID MATTASON, Postmaster.

THE DOCTORS EXTEND THEIR TIME.

Services for three months free. A staff of eminent physicians and surgeons from the British Medical Institute of Detroit have opened a permanent office in Grand Rapids, in the Widdicomb Building, 34 Monroe Street.

All invalids who call upon them before Sept. 1st will receive services for three months free of charge. This will not only include consultation, examination and advice, but also all surgical operations. Under no consideration will remuneration in any form be accepted for any services rendered; therefore the most humble in circumstances can avail themselves of the most expert medical skill and without cost.

The object in pursuing this course is to become rapidly and personally acquainted with the sick and afflicted. The doctors treat all forms of chronic diseases, but will not accept incurable cases. If, upon examination, you are found incurable, you will be kindly and frankly told so, also advised against spending money for useless treatment.

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Mortgage Sale.

Default having been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage executed by Henry F. Ingram and Elizabeth, his wife, to George Guest, bearing date December sixth, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-four, and recorded in the office of the register of deeds in and for Barry county, Michigan, on the fourteenth day of December aforesaid at half past four o'clock in the afternoon, in liber forty of mortgages, on page twenty-six, upon which said mortgage and the debt secured therein and thereby by the terms of said mortgage, that if any interest shall become due and remain unpaid for thirty days thereafter, then both principal and interest shall forthwith become due and collectable at the option of the party of the second part and the said party of the second part having, by virtue of his option, declared the whole amount of said mortgage due at once, and there being now due on said mortgage the sum of thirteen hundred and twenty-five dollars ($1325), by reason of said option and declaration, and also an attorney fee of thirty-five dollars, stipulated and agreed in the said mortgage, to be paid as often as any proceedings should be taken to foreclose said mortgage, in addition to all other legal costs, by which default the power of sale in said mortgage contained, has become operative; and, whereas, no suit or proceeding has been instituted at law or in equity to recover the debt secured to be paid in and by said mortgage or any part thereof.

Notice is therefore hereby given, that by virtue of the power of sale in said mortgage contained, and of the statute in such case made and provided, the premises described in said mortgage, to-wit: All those certain pieces or parcels of land situate in the township of Irving in the county of Barry and state of Michigan, and described as follows, to-wit: The north half of the southwest quarter and twenty acres from the north side of the south half of the southwest quarter of section three (3) town four (4) north range nine (9) west, containing one hundred acres of land, more or less, will be sold at public auction, to the highest bidder, on Saturday, the fifteenth day of August, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, at the north front door of the court house, in the city of Hastings in said Barry county (that being the place wherein is held the circuit court for the county of Barry) at ten o'clock in the forenoon of said day, to satisfy said debt, interest, attorney fee and the costs of this foreclosure.

May nineteenth, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six. GEORGE GUEST, Mortgagee.

WM. L. COBB, Attorney for said Mortgagee. 21-13

TWENTY-SEVENTH

ANNUAL ANNOUNCEMENT.

WE wish to say to our old friends and patrons that we are in the trade to stay with the best assorted stock we have ever carried. We have made a large addition to our **Watches, Clocks, Jewelry** and **Silverware,** and will meet the prices of any house in Michigan for up to date good goods. We positively carry no low grade goods in stock. We have had 25 years at the bench repairing Watches, Clocks and Jewelry, and we guarantee as good work as can be done in any shop in the state. Our business in . . . .

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Has increased almost double this last year and if you will give me your undivided trade I will show you prices you never dreamed of. The larger bill I buy the cheaper I can sell. We have just put in a new Decorated pattern and would like to have every lady's opinion of it. You are invited.

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All new and the latest styles, and with the advance in Wallpaper we will make prices as low as possible for new goods. We invite everybody to call whether you buy or not. We will try and use you well.

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At Wholesale prices. Don't fail to avail yourself of this golden opportunity as we have some very choice goods in these lines.

Yours respectfully,

John Campbell.

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And a lot of Ladies' and Gents' Shoes One-Fourth to One-Third off. If you want a Suit or Shoes now is the time to get them at Factory Prices.

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THE MIDDLEVILLE SUN

THURSDAY, AUGUST 13, 1896.

LOCAL HAPPENINGS.

Read B. A. Almy's ad.

J. R. Cook has received a car load of large tile.

Wm. McConnell has an apple tree in full bloom.

Remember the M. E. Aid society this week Friday.

Attend the Fair this year. It will be a good one.

Don't fail to see Trilby at the opera house tonight (Thursday).

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Clare McMichael Friday, Aug. 7, a daughter.

Send a 2 cent stamp for a handsome set of Jaxon Soap pictures. 28*

Augustus Jessup, landlord of the Orangeville hotel became insane Tuesday night.

There were 114 tickets sold to Grand Rapids Monday on account of Buffalo Bill's show.

About seventy were in attendance at church services held at Streeter's landing on Sunday.

The ninth annual excursion to Rome City, Ind., over the G. R. & I. is advertised for the 15th.

A meeting of the school board will be held Saturday evening to hire a janitor for the ensuing year.

The band will play on the streets Saturday evening. Those who enjoy good music should turn out and hear them.

The weather of the past two weeks has been the longest hot spell experienced in years. The thermometers registering from 85 to 100 degrees in the shade.

A query has reached this office as to where the sweetbough apples were raised that the editor's force were treated to by "Rusticus." Well they were raised we venture to say by Mr. Carpenter.

All reports go to show that the theatrical troop which is playing at opera hall this week is an exceptionally good one to strike a town the size of this, and they are deserving of better patronage.

G. D. Whitmore recently found a worm working on his plum tree, which somewhat resembles the tomato worm. It is light green in color and about five inches in length by three-fourths of an inch in diameter.

There are numerous changes of advertisments in the SUN each week and our readers will find it to their advantage to read the advertising columns each week with care and find out who are offering bargains. Always trade with those who think enough of your patronage to invite you to their places of business through the columns of the local press.

The Barry and Allegan Co. Farmer's Association will hold their annual picnic at Streeter's Landing, Gun Lake August 21 and 22. It is expected that Hon. H. S. Pingree, Washington Gardner, Congressman H. F. Thomas and other prominent speakers will be present. Music furnished by Hopkin's Cornet Band. Come and enjoy a two days rest and recreation at this popular summer resort and listen to some of the best speakers of the state. 33-2

The officers of the Barry County Agricultural society are getting a lively hustle on the 44th annual meeting, and prophesy a good one. The season in many respects has been favorable and fine exhibits will be in order. A most interesting program has been prepared of special attractions, sports and games which will be announced later. The Fair is one of the county's permanent institutions and it is hoped the people will give the management their cordial support and help them wipe out the debt against the society. The Premium List is out and has been mailed over the county and anyone not receiving a copy can obtain one from the secretary.

Jaxon pure baking powder leavens best

Remember the Fair, Sept. 22, 23, 24, 25.

Mrs. Boorn has had her store building reshingled.

Hon. M. S. Keeler and family are nicely domiciled in their finely remodeled home on Grand Rapids-st.

Guy M. Johnson went to Muskegon Monday, where he has signed with the ball team for the remainder of the season.

Farmers should make it a point to attend the Republican caucus at the engine house, at 3 p. m. standard time, this week Saturday.

Intelligence reaches us that the first catch of fish Rev. H. Appleton participated in up north was twenty-four large bass in about two hours.

If you have a bit of local news don't be afraid to send it in. If friends from a distance are in town let us know it. If you are about to make improvements of any kind, let us hear about it. If a former resident writes to you any news about himself, not of a private nature, it will also interest many others if made known through our columns. If you have a suggestion to make, or an opportunity to benefit the people or town, we will give you space to make it known. But don't send any item to which you would be ashamed to sign your name. Don't try to mix us up in any of your individual quarrels. And don't get angry when we condense your items, or leave some of them out entirely. If we were to publish everything which reaches us, it would take a newspaper several times the size of the SUN, and some of the contribution would cause us to appear in court as defendants in a libel suit.

ATTENTION PIONEERS!

The annual meeting of the Thornapple Valley Pioneer Association will be held at Campau lake, Thursday, August 20th. Every old settler and family, whether members or not, are invited. Be on hand with your basket of provisions at 10 a. m. sharp. We shall have a good program and a jolly good time. W. S. HALE, Secretary.

UNION SILVER CAUCUS.

To the Electors of Thornapple Township:

All who are interested in the free coinage of silver are requested to assemble in caucus at the engine house on Saturday, Aug. 15, '96, at 2 o'clock p. m., to elect delegates to the county convention to be held at Hastings, Michigan, on August 21, 1896, to elect delegates to the state convention at Bay City Aug. 25, 1896, to nominate candidates for the state offices; and to transact such other business as may come before the convention.

A. L. TAYLOR,
Chairman Tp. Com.

THORNAPPLE REPUBLICAN CAUCUS.

The republicans of Thornapple are hereby requested to meet in caucus at the engine house in the village of Middleville on Saturday, August 15, at 3 o'clock p. m. for the purpose of electing eleven delegates to attend the republican county convention to be held in Hastings on Thursday, August 20. Said county convention being for the purpose of placing in nomination candidates for the several county offices to be elected at the coming election in November, and to transact such other business as may lawfully come before it.

J. W. SAUNDERS,
32-2 Chairman Rep. Twp. Com.

MEAT AT REDUCED PRICES.

Commencing Monday, Aug. 16th, I will sell meats at the following prices:

Beef—Sirloin, 12½c; round, 10c; rib roasts, 10c, 12½c; good roasts, 5c, 6c; rib plates, 4c; neck, 4c; brisket, 4c; soup bones, 1½c, 2½c.

Pork—Chunk, 7c; roast, 10c; steak, 10c; good boiling pieces, 3c, 4.

Yours respectfully,
CONRAD CLEVER.

FRUIT TREES AND FALL FRUIT.

All that are in want of any for fall setting will find it to their advantage to call on me before buying, as I am selling for the West Michigan Nurseries of Benton Harbor. All trees warranted to be true to name and free from disease and first-class in all respects.

32-8 E. P. WHITMORE.

We are selling Bran at ($8.00) and fine white Midlings at ($10.00) per ton.

T. D. FRENCH & SON.

FOR SALE—A nice sow and ten pigs, or the pigs will be sold separately.

33-2 W. CORSON.

On account of the Republican League National Convention at Milwaukee, Wis., Aug. 25 to 27 the M. C. will sell excursion tickets at the rate of one first class limited fare for round trip via. authorized routes. Dates of sale Aug. 23 and 24, limited to continuous passage in each direction, good going only on date of sale. Tickets will be limited for return leaving Milwaukee not earlier than Aug. 29 and must be used to original starting point not later than midnight of Aug. 30. Children half adult rate. 33-2

J. E. GOGLE, Agent.

The old soldiers and sailors of Allegan county will meet in annual reunion at Allegan August 18, 19 and 20.

PERSONAL POINTS.

Miss Maude Southwick is home from Olivet.

Lillie Scoville visited at Caledonia last week.

Rev. F. N. Janes and wife were in Hastings yesterday.

M. J. Bugbee is just getting out after several days' illness.

Willie Irving spent Wednesday with friends in the country.

Mabel Hanlon is spending a week with friends in Plainwell.

Mrs. Wm. H. Johnson is visiting relatives in Grand Rapids.

H. M. Rich, of Ann Arbor, is home to enjoy a month's vacation.

Mrs. James Luther of Lamont, is the guest of Mrs. R. M. Johnson.

Geo. Shaw and children of Clarksville spent Sunday at Rev. Shaw's.

Miss Edith Hines of Grand Rapids is visiting friends in the village.

John L. Broughton of Shults, was in the village Saturday and Sunday.

Orley Granger of Grand Rapids came to the village awheel last evening.

Dr. and Mrs. Lowry of Hastings were guests of Dr. Taylor and family Tuesday.

Mrs. W. Kirkpatrick of Howard City is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Geo. Sanford.

Wm. C. Sackett and wife spent Sunday with Mr. S's parents, at Vermontville.

Mrs. F. A. Colvin returned yesterday from an extended visit at South Boardman.

Dr. M. Himes returned yesterday from an extended visit to Arlington, Iowa.

W. H. Barlow and family of Grand Rapids, are guests of Jos. Crumback and wife.

Aaron Clark made a business trip to Lansing and Grand Ledge the first of the week.

Leonard Fish of Grand Rapids, has been visiting relatives and friends in this locality.

Mrs. A. D. Thomas is visiting in Coopersville.

Master Ross Armstrong is spending the week with relatives and friends in Grand Rapids.

Mrs. E. Garrett returned home Monday from Grand Rapids after a week's stay with relatives.

Miss Dora Brown returned Monday evening from a few days' visit at W. E. Davis' in East Caledonia.

Master Floyd Nichols of Cadillac is spending his vacation with his grandmother, Mrs. J. Nichols.

Mrs. H. B. Hanlon was the guest of Mrs. A. J. Johnson of Caledonia, the latter part of last week.

Misses Nina Shaw and Zoe Sanford, spent Sunday at Nashville, the guests of Miss Minnie Furniss.

Mrs. A. Foster of Chicago was the guest of her brother, Almond Pender, and wife the fore part of the week.

Misses Nina Shaw and Bessie Saunders were guests of their friend Miss Gertrude Shay of Wayland, yesterday.

Miss Frances Walker of Wayland and Miss Mary McElwain of Hastings were guests of Mrs. Chapman, Saturday.

W. S. Gibbs and wife were called to Grand Rapids Friday, to attend the funeral of their niece, Miss Katie Matter.

Mrs. E. R. Skiff of north Grand Rapids st. gave a select tea party Aug. 11 in honor of her mother's seventy-sixth birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Griswold of Lowell, were guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Combs the first of the week.

Earl Chase of Prairieville is calling on friends in the village. He has bought a "Clipper" bicycle of J. E. Ackerson.

C. H. Cook and son George went to Grand Rapids this a. m. having been subpoenaed as witnesses in the Dententhaler trial.

Fred Walker and Miss McElwain of Hastings, and B. L. Johnson of this place, Sundayed with Miss Frances Walker, near Dorr.

Guy M. Johnson and Miss Gertrude Stebbins of Hastings, were the guests of his parents Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Johnson over Sunday.

John Abrams went to Grand Rapids Friday, in search of employment and in case he does not find it there, expects to go to Chicago.

Xenia Thomas, Vera Grosfend, Maud Southwick and Jesse Cobb are among those in attendance at the teachers' institute at Hastings this week.

W. D. Clizbe, past grand chancelor and general organizer of the endowment rank, K. of P. was calling on the boys and the guest of W. K. Liebler Friday.

Mr. John Rouse and wife Sundayed with their aunt and cousin, Mrs. J. N. Dempsey, at the home of Mr. Samuel Allen in west Thornapple as did also Mr. Dempsey.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Hayward of Wayland, and Mr. and Mrs. Elija Bowman of near Geen lake, were guests of W. J. Hayward and family Sunday. The two grandpas and grandmas feel elated over their pretty grandchild.



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Our new book "Tom, Dick and Harry and their Dog Leo," will be out by December 1st, 1896. Price, $1.00. Send for book, or for agents' rates, to the author, C. W. Yerington.

Send to Chicago Music Co., Chicago, Ill., for "Laughing Water Waltz," "Tempest and Sunshine March," 50c each. Composed and arranged for Piano by C. W. Yerington.

LADIES' FINE SHOES!

We have just opened a large consignment of Ladies' Fine Shoes manufactured by the SACHS M'f'g. CO., of Cincinnati, Ohio. These goods have the reputation second to none for Style, Fit and Durability.

The $2.00 grade is exceptionally fine, and will make a valuable line to our large stock. The styles are narrow opera and needle toe, trimmed soles and superior finish, widths C, D, E, & EE.

You will surely get a Better Shoe in this line for the money, than you have ever been able to get before. Please ask to see them, whether you wish to purchase or not.

SOME BARGAINS

For Ladies who wear Small Shoes:

6 doz. Pingree & Smith's $3 and $3.50 Shoes opera toe 2½ to 4 at $1.48.

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Misses' and Children's odd Shoes to go at HALF PRICE.

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AS THE TREE FALLS.

NO MATTER IN WHAT DIRECTION, THERE IT SHALL LIE.

Rev. Dr. Talmage Preaches An Earnest Sermon, Warning the Impenitent Against Waiting for the Next World Before Correcting the Errors of This.

Talmage's Sunday Talk.

Dr. Talmage in his sermon discusses a question that everybody sometime discusses. It is one of tremendous import, Shall we have another chance? The text is Ecclesiastes ii., 3, "If the tree fall toward the south or toward the north, in the place where the tree falleth there it shall be."

There is a hovering hope in the minds of a vast multitude of people that there will be an opportunity in the next world of correcting the mistakes of this; that however complete a shipwreck we may make of our earthly life it will be on a beach up which we may walk to a palace; that as the defendant may lose his case in a circuit court and appeal it and have it go up to the supreme court or court of chancery and all the costs thrown over on the other party, so a man may lose his case in this world, but in the higher jurisdiction of eternity have the decision of the earthly case set aside, all the costs remitted and the defendant be triumphant forever.

A Baseless Hope.

The object of my sermon is to show you that common sense declares with the text that such an expectation is chimerical. "If the tree fall toward the south or toward the north, in the place where the tree falleth there it shall be." There are those who say that if the impenitent and unforgiven man enters the next world and sees the disaster, as a result of that disaster he will turn, the distress the cause of his reformation, but we have 10,000 instances all around about us of people who have done wrong and disaster suddenly came upon them. Did the disaster heal them? No; they went on.

There is a man flung of dissipations. The doctor says to him, "Now, my friend, if you don't stop drinking and don't stop this fast life you are living you will die." The patient thanks the physician for his warning and gets better. He begins to sit up, begins to walk around the room, begins to go to business, and takes the same round of grogshops where he got his morning dram, and his evening dram, and the drams between. Down again. Same doctor. Same physical anguish. Same medical warning. But now the sickness is more protracted, the liver more obstinate, the stomach more irritable, the digestive organs more rebellious. But still, under medical skill, he gets better, goes forth, commits the same sacrilege against his physical health. Sometimes he wakes up to see what he is doing, and he realizes he is destroying his family, and that his life is a perpetual perjury against his marriage vows, and that that broken hearted woman is so different from the roseate wife he married that her old schoolmates do not recognize her on the street, and that his sons are going out in life under the taunt of a father's drunkenness, and that his daughters are going out in life under the scarification of a disreputable ancestry. His nerves are all a-jangle. From crown of head to sole of foot he is one aching, rasping, crucifying, damning torture. Where is he?

He is in hell on earth. Does it stop him? Ah, no. After awhile delirium tremens pours out upon his pillow a whole jungle of hissing reptiles. His screams horrify the neighbors as he dashes out of bed crying, "Take these things off me!" He is drinking down the comfort of his family, the education of his children, their prospects for this life and perhaps their prospects for the life to come. Pale and convalescent he sits up. Physician says to him: "Now, my good fellow, I am going to have a plain talk with you. If you ever have an attack of this kind again, you will die. I can't save you, and all the doctors in creation can't save you."

The patient gets up, starts out, goes the same round of dissipation and is down again, but this time medicines do not touch his case. Consultations of physicians say there is no hope. Death ends the scene. That process of inebriation and physical suffering and medical warning and dissolution is taking place within a stone's throw of where you sit and in every neighborhood of Christendom. Pain does not reform. Suffering does not cure. What is true in regard to one sin is true in regard to all sins, and yet men are expecting in the next life there will be opportunity for purgatorial regeneration. Take up the printed reports of the prisons of the United States and find that the vast majority of the criminals were there before, some for two times, three times, four times, six times; punished again and again, but they go right on. Millions of incidents and instances working the other way, and yet men think that in the next world punishment will work out for them salvable effects. Why, you and I cannot imagine any worse torture from another world than we have seen men in in this world, and without any salutary consequences.

The Last Chance.

Furthermore, the prospect of reformation in another world is more improbable than here. Do you not realize the fact that a man starts in this world with the innocence of infancy? In the other case, starting in the other world, he starts with the accumulated bad habits of a lifetime. Is it not to be expected that you could build a better ship out of new timber than out of an old hulk that has been ground up in the breakers? If starting with comparative innocency the man does not become godly, is it possible that starting with sin a seraph can be evoluted? Is there not more prospect that a sculptor will make a finer statue out of a block of pure white Parian marble than out of a black rock that has been cracked and twisted and split and scarred with the storms of a half century? Could you not write a last will and testament, or write a deed, or write an important document on a pure white sheet of paper easier than you could write it upon a sheet scribbled all over with infamy and blotted and torn from top to bottom? And yet there are those who are so uncommon sensical as to believe that though a man starts in this world with infancy and its innocence and turns out badly, in the next world he can start with a dead failure and turn out well.

"But," say some people, "we ought to have another chance in the next world because our life here is so very brief. We scarcely have room to turn around between the cradle and the grave, the wood of the one almost striking against the marble of the other. We ought to have another chance because of the brevity of this life." My friends, do you know what made the ancient deluge a necessity? It was the longevity of the antedeluvians. They were worse in the second century than in the first, and worse when they got 300 years old, and worse at 400, and worse at 500, and worse at 600, and worse at 800, until the world had to be washed and scoured and scrubbed and soaked and sunk and anchored a whole month under water before it was fit for decent people to live in. I have seen many pictures of old Time with his scythe to cut, but I never saw any picture of Time with a chest of medicines to heal. Seneca said that in the first few years of his public life Nero was set up as an example of clemency and kindness, but he got worse and worse, the path descending, until at 68 years of age he was the suicide. If 800 years of lifetime could not cure the antedeluvians of their iniquity, I undertake to say that all the ages of eternity would be only prolongation of depravity.

"But," says some one, "in the next life the evil surroundings will be withdrawn and good influences will be substatuted, and hence expurgation, sublimation, glorification." But you must remember that the righteous, all their sins forgiven, pass right up into a beatific state, and then having passed up into the beatific state, not needing any other chance, that will leave all those who have never been forgiven, and who were impenitent, alone—alone—and where are the salvable influences to come from? Can it be expected that Dr. Duff, who spent his whole life in pointing the Hindoos to heaven, and Dr. Abeel, who spent his life in evangelizing China, and that Judson, who spent his life in preaching the gospel to Burma—can it be expected that they will be sent down from some celestial missionary society to educate and save those who wasted their earthly existence? No. We are told distinctly that all missionary and evangelistic influences will be ended forever, and the good, having passed up to their beatific state, all the morally bankrupt will be together, and where are the salvable influences to come from? Will a specked or bad apple put in a barrel of diseased apples make the other apples good? Will one who is down be able to lift others up? Will those who have miserably failed in the business of this life be able to pay the debts of our spiritual insolvents? Will a million wrongs make one right? Poneropolis was the city where King Rufus of Thracia put all bad people of his kingdom, and whenever there were iniquitous people found in any part of the land they were all sent to Poneropolis. It was the great capital of wickedness. Suppose a man or a woman had opened a primary school in Poneropolis; would the parents of other cities have sent their children there to be educated and reformed?

Words of Warning.

If a man in this world was surrounded with temptation, in the next world, all the righteous having passed up into the beatific state, the association will be more deteriorating, depreciating and down. You would not send to a cholera or yellow fever hospital a man for his health, and the great lazaretto of the future, in which are gathered the diseased and the plague struck, will be a poor place for moral recovery. The Count of Chateaubriand, in order to make his child courageous, made him sleep in the turrets of the castle, where the winds howled and specters were said to haunt the place. The mother and the sisters almost died of fright, but the son afterward gives his account, and he says, "That gave me nerves of steel and gave me courage that has never faltered." But, my friends, I do not think the turrets of darkness or the spectral world swept by sirocco and euroclydon will ever prepare a soul for the eternal land of sunshine. I wonder what is the curriculum in the College Inferno, where a man, having been prepared by enough sin, enters and goes up from freshman of iniquity to sophomore of abomination, and on up from sophomore to junior, and from junior to senior, and day of graduation comes, and the diploma is signed by Satan, the president, and all the professional demoniacs attest the fact that the candidate has been a sufficient time under their drill and then enters heaven. Pandemonium, a preparatory school for celestial admission! Ah, my friends, while Satan and his cohorts have fitted a vast multitude for ruin, they never fitted one soul for happiness—never.

Again, I wish you further to notice that another chance in another world means the ruin of this. Now, suppose a wicked man is assured that after a lifetime of wickedness he can fix it all right up in the future. That would be the demoralization of society, that would be the demolition of the human race. There are men who are now kept on the limits of sin by their fear. The fear that if we are bad and forgiven here it will not be well with us in the next existence is the chief influence that keeps civilization from rushing back into semi-barbarism, and keeps semi-barbarism from rushing back into midnight savagery, and keeps midnight savagery from rushing back into extinction. Now, the man is kept on the limits of sin. But this idea coming into his soul, this idea of another chance, he says: "Go to, now. I'll get out of this world all there is in it. Come, gluttony and revenge and uncleanness and all sensualities, and wait upon me. It may abbreviate my earthly life by dissoluteness, but that will only give me heavenly indulgence on a larger scale in a shorter length of time. I will overtake the righteous before long. I will only come in heaven a little late, and I will be a little more fortunate than those who have behaved themselves on earth and then went straight to the bosom of God, because I will see more and have wider excursions, and I will come into heaven via gahenna, via sheol!" Hearers! Readers! Another chance in the next world means free license and the demolition of this. Suppose you had a case in court, and all the judges and all the attorneys agreed in telling you the first trial of it—it would be tried twice—the first trial would not be of very much importance, but the second trial would decide everything. On which trial would you put the most expenditure? On which trial would you employ the ablest counsel? On which trial would you be most anxious to have the attendance of all the witnesses? "Oh," you would say, "if there are to be two trials, and the first trial does not amount to much, the second trial being everything, everything depending upon that, I must have the most eloquent attorney, and I must have all my witnesses present, and I will expend my money on that." If these men who are impenitent and who are wicked felt there were two trials, and the first was of no very great importance, and the second trial was the one of vast and infinite importance, all the preparations for eternity would be post mortem, post funeral, post sepulchral, and this world would be jerked off into impenitency and godlessness. Another chance in another world means the demolition of this world.

As to the Invitation.

Furthermore, my friends—for I am preaching to myself as well as to you; we are on the same level, and though the platform be a little higher than the pew, it is only for convenience, and that we may the better speak to the people; we are all on the same platform, and I am talking to my soul while I talk to yours—my friends, why another chance in another world when we have declined so many chances in this? Suppose you spread a banquet and you invite a vast number of friends, and among others you send an invitation to a man who disregards it or treats it in an obnoxious way. During twenty years you give twenty banquets, a banquet a year, and you invite your friends, and every time you invite this man, who disregards your invitation or sends back some indignity. After awhile you move into a larger house and amid more luxuriant surroundings, and you invite your friends, but you do not invite that man to whom twenty times you sent an invitation to the smaller house. Are you to blame? You would only make yourself absurd before God and man to send that man another invitation. For twenty years he has been declining your offers and sending insult for your kindness and courtesy, and can he blame you? Can he come up to your house on the night of the banquet? Looking up and seeing it is a finer house, will he have the right to say: "Let me in. I declined all those other offers, but this is a larger house, a brighter house, a more luxuriant abode. Let me in. Give me another chance?" God has spread a banquet of his grace before us. For 365 days of every year since we knew the difference between our right and our left he has invited us by his providence and by his spirit. Suppose we decline all these offers and all this kindness. Now the banquet is spread in a larger place, in the heavenly palace. Invitations are sent out, but no invitation is sent to us. Why? Because we declined all those other banquets. Will God be to blame? Will we have any right to rap on the door of heaven and say: "I ought not to be shut out of this place; give me another chance?" Twelve gates of salvation standing wide for free admission all our life and then when the twelve gates close we rush on the bosses of Jehovah's buckler, saying, "Give me another chance!"

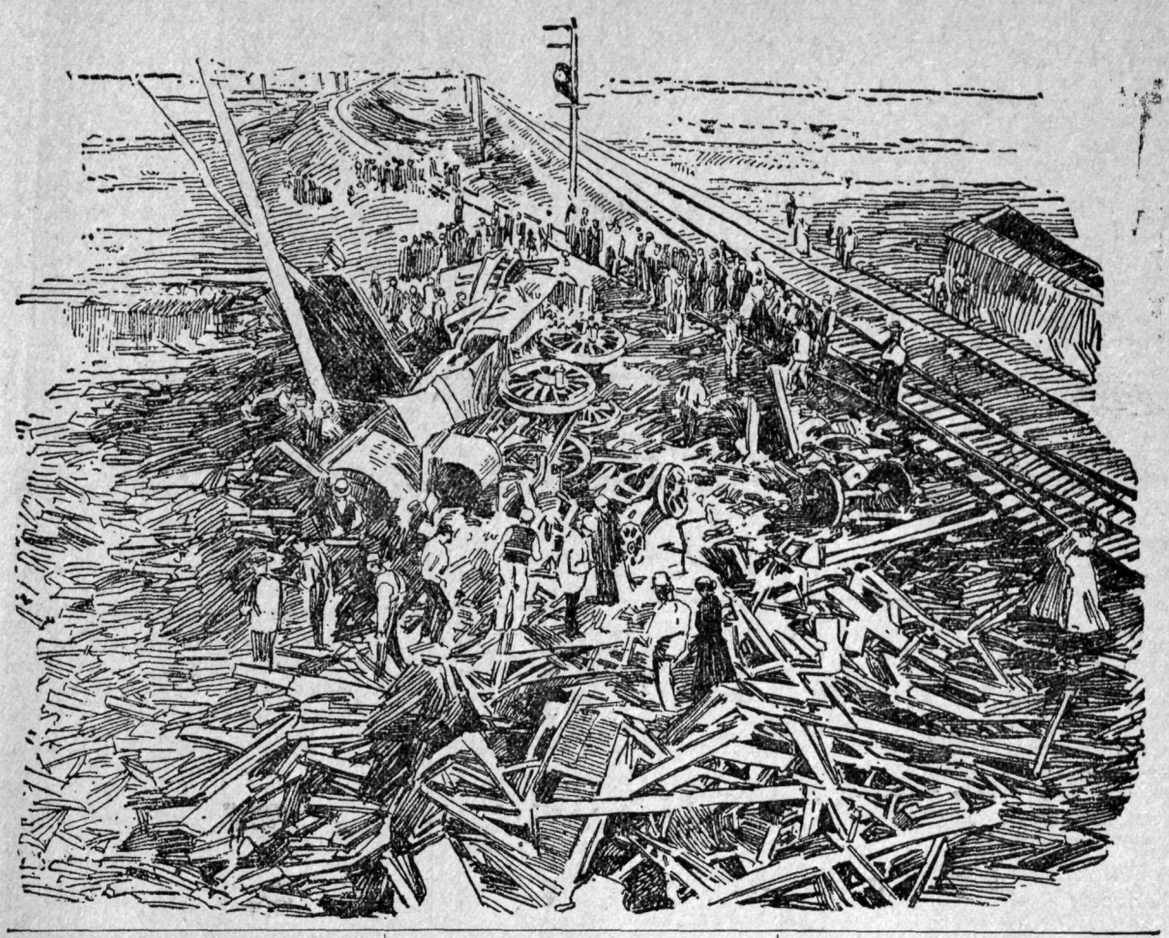
A ship is to sail for Hamburg. You want to go to Germany by that line. You see the advertisement of the steamer's sailing. You see it for two weeks. You see it in the morning papers and you see it in the evening papers. You see it placarded on the walls. Circulars are thrown into your office telling you all about that steamer. One day you come down on the wharf, and the steamer has swung out into the stream. You say: "Oh, that isn't fair. Come back; swing up again to the docks. Throw the plank ashore that I may come on board. It isn't fair. I want to go to Germany by that steamer. Give me another chance." Here is a magnificent offer for heaven. It has been anchored within our sight year after year, and year after year, and year after year, and all the benign voices of earth and heaven have urged us to get on board, since it may sail at any moment. Suppose we let that opportunity sail away, and then we look out and say: "Send back that opportunity. I want to take it. It isn't treating me fairly. Give me another chance." Why, my brother, you might as well go out and stand on the Highlands at the Navesink three days after the Majestic has gone out and shout: "Captain, come back. I want to go to Liverpool on the Majestic. Come back over the sea and through the Narrows and up to the docks. Give me another chance." You might as well do that as, after the last opportunity of heaven has sped away, try to get it back again. Just think of it! It came on me yesterday in my study with overwhelming impressiveness. Just think of it. All heaven offered us as a gratuity for a whole lifetime, and yet we wanting to rush against God, saying: "Give me another chance." There ought to be, there will be, no such thing as posthumous opportunity.

A Grand Chance.

You see common sense agrees with my text in saying that "if the tree fall toward the south or toward the north, in the place where the tree falleth there it shall be." You see this idea lifts this world from an unimportant way station to a platform of stupendous issues and makes all eternity whirl around this hour. Oh, my soul, my soul! Only one trial, and all the preparations for that trial to be made in this world or never made at all. Oh, my soul, my soul! You see this piles up all the emphasis and all the climaxes and all the destinies into this life. No other chance. Oh, how that intensifies the value and the importance of this chance. Alexander and his army used to come around a city, and they would kindle a great light, with the understanding that as long as that light was burning the city might surrender and all would be well, but if they let that light go out then the battering rams would swing against the walls and there would come disaster and demolition. Oh, my friends, all you and I need to do to prepare for eternal safety is just to surrender to the King and Conqueror, Christ. Surrender hearts, surrender life, surrender everything. The great light keeps burning, light kindled by the wood of the cross, light flaming up against the dark night of our sin and sorrow. Oh, let us surrender before the light goes out and with it our last opportunity of making our peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Oh, my brother, talk about another chance; this the supernal chance. In the time of Edward II., at the battle of Musselburg, a private soldier saw that the Earl of Huntley had lost his helmet. The private soldier took off his helmet and went up to the Earl of Huntley and put the helmet on his head. Now, the head of the private soldier uncovered, he was soon slain, while his commander rode in safety through and out of the battle. But it is different in our case. Instead of a private offering a helmet to an earl, it is the King of heaven and earth offering a crown to an unworthy subject, the King dying that we might live! Oh, tell it to the points of the compass, tell it to day and night, tell it to earth and heaven, tell it to all the centuries and all the millenniums that God has given us such a magnificent chance in this world that we need no other chance in another!

Five Mormon missionaries left Salt Lake City a few days ago bound for New Zealand to establish a mission among the Maoris.

SCENE OF THE NEW JERSEY RAILROAD DISASTER.

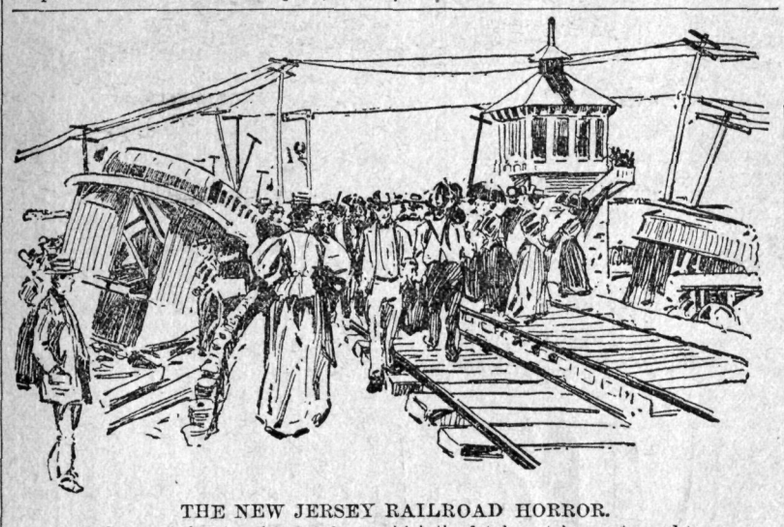


FORTY-FOUR WERE KILLED.

Terrible Results of the Railroad Disaster at Atlantic City, N. J.

Now that the excitement has more or less subsided, the actual fatalities and injured in the Atlantic City, N. J., railroad accident, are definitely known. The dead number forty-four, and forty-three were seriously enough hurt to be taken to the hospital. Of those in the hospital, twenty-eight were so far recovered two days later as to be able to go to their homes. Of the fifteen persons remaining in the hospital several are suffering from terrible injuries, the nature of which makes their recovery doubtful. There are still people who contend that the Reading train was racing with a train on the parallel track of the Camden and Atlantic, and that the Reading train was going at such a terrific rate of speed that it could not be stopped when the danger signal was suddenly shown. The story that the Reading train was racing when the accident occurred continues to be repeated, but it cannot be substantiated. If two trains were racing the engineers were violating one of the strictest rules of their roads, and were liable to instant dismissal, if discovered. On the other hand, a man whose name is withheld, and who witnessed the accident, says the trains were not racing.

No verification of the racing between the two trains can be obtained from the railroad people, as they either refuse to talk or flatly deny that the engineers could have been racing. Nevertheless, people who daily use the two roads, assert that races occur frequently on the level stretches, where the tracks are parallel, and bets among the passengers would be made over the result. Two of the wounded at the sanitarium are in a very serious state. These are Mrs. Fralinger, of Bridgeton, whose leg was amputated, and the unknown woman with the fractured skull. The latter recovered consciousness Saturday morning, but could only talk incoherently, giving no explanation of herself. It is probable her skull will be trephined in the effort to save her life. The terrible event has cast a gloom over the city and sobered the gay throngs of summer pleasure seekers. Besides the death and suffering entailed by the collision, it is likely to seriously affect the business of the city for the rest of the summer. The fear is expressed among hotel men that the accident will make people timid about traveling on the lightning expresses, and as this has been a poor season so far, the outlook is viewed with anything but cheerful minds by business people.



THE NEW JERSEY RAILROAD HORROR.
(Scene at the signal tower from which the fatal sw tch was turned.)

ALLISON ON SILVER.

Iowa Senator Favors Bimetallism by Agreement.

Senator William B. Allison, in reply to a request for his views touching bimetallism by international agreement, has written a letter, which has been printed by the Upper Des Moines of Algona, Ia. Mr. Allison was chairman of the United States delegation to the Brussels monetary conference in 1892, and studied the question exhaustively. He says in part:

"As respects the prospect for an international agreement to fix a ratio between gold and silver, with a view to open mints with unlimited coinage by the agreeing nations, I am still of the belief that such an agreement within a reasonable time is probable. The silver countries cannot abandon silver because of their situation, nor can they procure gold to take the place of silver, even if they were inclined to do so. Hence the necessity of a common ratio between the metals, embracing the leading commercial nations. France, Belgium, Holland, Germany and Spain have large amounts of silver in circulation full legal tender, coined at the old ratio of 15½ of silver to 1 of gold. To melt these coins, or sell them at their bullion value, would involve great loss, which they cannot afford to bear. Other countries in Europe have, in the aggregate, a large amount of silver in circulation and are in like situation.

"In England there is a growing sentiment for international bimetallism, embracing her political economists, her professors of universities, as also her manufacturers, agriculturists, ship owners engaged in foreign trade, and many of her leading bankers, and those especially trading with her dependencies, chiefly with India, embracing all classes. These are united into a formidable organization to promote bimetallism. On the continent the States of the Latin union, except Switzerland, are practically united. There is a strong sentiment in Germany in the same direction. The international bimetallists are thoroughly organized in France, Germany, Belgium and Holland.



SENATOR ALLISON.

"The Brussels conference met at an inopportune time and without sufficient preparation and consultation with governments invited to participate. Such a conference, when held, should be preceded by a carefully digested plan for discussion prepared in advance by the leading governments. Thus it was at Brussels that Germany and Austria and some of the smaller States were not permitted to act and vote in the conference, and therefore it was a failure as respects immediate results, but it accomplished one thing of great value, namely, a general recognition of a serious evil that required a practical remedy.

WED IN SPITE OF ALL.

Miss Grace Wilson Becomes Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt Jr.

Cornelius Vanderbilt Jr., and Miss Grace Wilson were married in New York at noon Monday at the Wilson residence, by the Rev. William H. Pott, assistant rector of St. Thomas's Church. The wedding was private. Only the members of the bride's family were present. The bridegroom was the only one of the Vanderbilt family at the marriage.



MISS G. WILSON.

Probably no other wedding in years has so aroused the interest and sympathy of New Yorkers. From the time the engagement was announced, a few months ago, up to the present the Vanderbilt family has made known its uncompromising disapproval of the match. The fact that the bride is a few years older than the bridegroom has been the main obstacle to their union, and even this has been as nothing in the face of their devotion to each other. By marrying the girl of his choice young Vanderbilt may forfeit a patrimony which is estimated at $400,000,000. A single carriage stood in front of the Wilson residence during the ceremony, in which the bridal couple were conveyed to the railway station.



C. VANDERBILT JR.

Cornelius Vanderbilt, Jr., is the oldest living son of Cornelius Vanderbilt, and a great-grandson of the celebrated Commodore Vanderbilt, who laid the foundation of the family's great fortune. The young man is 22 years of age and was graduated last year at Yale. He was the first member of his family to attain a university degree. Miss Grace Wilson is not a member of an old New York family. Both her father and mother are Southerners, who settled in New York after the close of the civil war. Richard T. Wilson is a self-made man and is supposed to be the possessor of $10,000,000.

RESULT IN ALABAMA.

Democrats Claim the Governor by 40,000 Majority.

According to an Associated Press dispatch sent out on the night following the Alabama election, Johnston, the Democratic candidate, won with a majority of about 40,000. Elections in the State of Alabama are conducted on the Australian plan, and no definite figures as to the result can be given until the official count is completed.

The Populists kept a close watch on the proceedings, one of the "spotters" placed to count the number of voters who went into the polls used peas, transferring them from one pocket to another. At another polling place the Populist "spotter" marked Democrats entering to vote by white peas and Populists by black beans. He contends that several hundred more votes are returned from the box than there were voters who went inside the ropes, and he says he had in his pockets many more beans than Goodwyn received votes.

Timothy J. Dacy, one of the oldest and most widely known residents of northern Illinois, whose life for the past thirty years has been devoted to the sale of agricultural implements in Woodstock, was struck by a limited train and died a few minutes later.



THE NEW JERSEY RAILROAD HORROR.
(Wreck of the second car from which not a passeng r escaped unhurt.)

Summer Homes

Is the title of a publication just issued by the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern Railway, and contains a list of pleasant places on this line situated in the lake region of northern Indiana, southern Michigan and along the south shore of Lake Erie, where one may pass the heated term in camping out or boarding at the summer hotels or pleasant farm houses. The region traversed by the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern Railway contains a great number of suitable locations for passing the annual vacation, or indeed the entire summer, at an expense which is but nominal. Copy of "Summer Homes" will be sent to any address on application to C. K. Wilber, A. G. P. A., Chicago, or can be secured by calling at City Ticket Office, 180 Clark street.

Birds Killed for Fashion.

One of the latest tracts issued by the Society for the Protection of Birds refers to the extent that bird of paradise sprays are being worn. It can be authoritatively stated that during the 1895 season one warehouse alone of the many that are engaged in the traffic so detrimental to bird life disposed of no fewer than 60,000 dozens of bird of paradise sprays.

Parliament Doubles.

The number of "doubles" in the House of Commons is surprising; the faint resemblances between Mr. Haldane and Dr. Rentoul, Mr. Shaw and Mr. Courtenay Warner, Mr. J. F. X. O'Brien and Mr. MacAleese are well known.

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NEW PARTY FORMED

GOLD STANDARD DEMOCRATS ORGANIZE.

Thirty-three States Represented at Indianapolis—It Is Decided to Hold a Convention in September and to Name a National Ticket.

Palmer the Leader.

Under the name of the National Democratic party of the United States the gold standard Democrats will hold a national convention in Indianapolis Wednesday, Sept. 2, and nominate candidates for President and Vice President. This was decided upon at the meeting of the committee in the Indiana capital. Senator John M. Palmer, of Illinois, was made the chairman of the permanent national committee, and to him will be left the selection of the Executive Committee which is to perfect the details of the convention.

Thirty-three States were personally represented when the permanent committee of the sound money Democrats was organized, but three more States were added to the roll because they had already appointed committeemen, who



JOHN M. PALMER.

however, had been unable to get to the conference in time. The movement for a third ticket was considered national and the decisive step in the warfare against free silver was taken.

The national committee of the new party will exert its influence to have every State send delegates to the convention.

The committee to prepare the call reported the following:

Call for the Convention.

"To the Democrats of the United States: A political party has always been defined to be an association of voters to promote the success of political principles held in common. The Democratic party, during its whole history, has been pledged to promote the liberty of the individual, the security of private rights and property, and the supremacy of the law. It has always insisted upon a safe and stable money for the people's use. It has insisted upon the maintenance of the financial honor of the nation, as well as upon the preservation inviolate of the institutions established by the Constitution.

"These, its principles, were abandoned by the supposed representatives of the party at a national convention recently assembled at Chicago. The Democratic party will therefore caese to exist unless it be preserved by the voluntary action of such of its members as still adhere to the fundamental principles. No majority of the members of that convention, however large, had any right or power to surrender those principles. When they undertook to do so that assemblage ceased to be a Democratic convention.

"The action taken, the irregular proceedings and the platform enunciated by that body were and are so utterly and indefensibly revolutionary and constitute such radical departures from the principles of true domocracy, which should characterize a sound and patriotic administration of our country's affairs, that its results are not entitled to the confidence or support of true Democrats.

"For the first time since national parties were formed there is not before the American people a platform declaring the principles of the Democratic party as recognized and most courageously and consistently administered by Jefferson, Jackson, and Cleveland, nor are there nominees for the offices of President and Vice President of the United States pledged to carry those principles into practical effect. The faithful and true Democrats of the United States are determined that their principles shall not be ruthlessly surrendered, nor the people be deprived of an opportunity to vote for candidates in accord therewith.

"Therefore the National Democratic party of the United States, through its regularly constituted committee, hereby calls a national convention of that party for the announcement of its platform and the nomination of candidates for the offices of President and Vice President of the United States and the transaction of such business as is incidental thereto, to be held at Indianapolis, Wednesday, the 2d day of September, 1896, at noon, and hereby requests that the members of the party in the several States who believe in sound money and the preservation of law and order and who are unalterably opposed to the platform adopted and candidates nominated at Chicago, will select in such manner as to them shall seem best a number of delegates to the same equal to twice the number of electoral votes to which such States are respectively entitled.

"Such delegates shall be duly accredited according to the usages of the Democratic party. Their credentials shall be forwarded or delivered to the secretary of this committee with all convenient speed, and this committee will make up and announce the roll of the delegates entitled to participate in the preliminary organization of the convention."

Matthew Addy, aged 61, president of the Addiston Pipe and Steel Company, and founder of the suburban town of Addiston, O., died at his Falmouth (Mass.) cottage. He was connected with various interests in Addiston and employed thousands of men. He was several times a millionaire, and had done much for the city and the Presbyterian Church. He was born in Montreal, and went to Ohio penniless before he was of age.

Fifty contractors, employing 2,000 garment workers, signed the agreement of the Brotherhood of Tailors at New York.

INTERNAL REVENUE RECEIPTS.

Total Amount Collected the Last Fiscal Year $146,830,615.

The commissioner of internal revenue has just submitted to Secretary Carlisle a preliminary report of the operations of his bureau for the fiscal year ended June 30. It shows that the receipts from all sources of internal revenue for the year aggregated $146,830,615, an increase of $3,584,537 over the receipts of the preceding fiscal year. The expense approximated $4,044,351 and the percentage of cost of collection will be 2.70, a reduction of .18, as compared with the preceding fiscal year. The exact cost cannot be definitely stated until the accounts have been received.

From spirits the receipts were $80,670,070, an increase of $807,443. The largest item of increase under this head was from fruit spirits, the receipts of $1,584,879, being $488,863 in excess of last year. Retail liquor taxes increased by $221,106; rectifiers' taxes, $49,458, and the wholesale liquor dealers' special taxes, $46,243. The only decreases noted were trifling.

Tobacco brought in a revenue of $30,711,629, or $1,006,721 more than was derived from this source in the preceding year. There was a general increase in all the items under this head, the largest being in cigarettes under three pounds per thousand, where the receipts were $2,021,195, or $357,493 more than in the preceding year. Chewing and smoking tobacco brought in $15,220,028, $323,849 more than in the preceding year. Cigars and cheroots over three pounds per thousand realized $12,713,267, an increase of $221,300, and snuff afforded a revenue of $752,915, an increase of $103,027.

From fermented liquors there was derived taxes aggregating $33,784,235, or $2,143,617 more than during the preceding year. Ale, beers and similar liquors brought in $33,139,141, an increase of $2,094,826.

There was a falling off of $189,778 in the taxes realized from oleomargarine, the revenue from which amounted to $1,219,432. The decrease was general in all the items under this head, the largest item being $112,817 in the direct tax on oleomargarine, while retail dealers' taxes shrunk $57,215, and wholesale dealers' taxes $26,520.

The miscellaneous receipts diminished $182,600 during the year, the largest item being $122,458 decrease in the receipts from playing cards, which were only $259,853.

During the year 67,039,910 gallons of spirits distilled from other material than fruit were withdrawn for consumption, a decrease of 7,413,119 gallons as compared with the preceding year. Cigarettes to the number of 4,042,391,640 were drawn out, which was 714,987,860 more than were consumed during the preceding year. The number of cigars and cheroots withdrawn was 4,237,755,943, an increase of 73,783,503. Chewing and smoking tobacco was taken out to the amount of 253,667,137 pounds, an increase of 5,397,499 pounds.

Illinois returned more internal revenue taxes than any other State, the total collections being $31,973,133. New York came next in order with $21,620,470, Kentucky stood third with $14,903,110. Ohio and Pennsylvania were close together with $11,947,724 and $11,145,548 respectively. Indiana had $7,693,154; Missouri, $6,959,911; Maryland, $5,968,895, and Wisconsin, $5,012,077. None of the remaining States reached the $5,000,000 mark in the returns.



Senator Dubois of Idaho will support Bryan.

Justice Brewer is in favor of the gold standard.

Senator Murphy of New York says that he will support Bryan.

The silver party proposes to flood New York with literature during the campaign.

A conference of Nebraska gold-standard Democrats will be held in the near future.

Four thousand people attended a Republican ratification meeting in the Boston Music Hall.

At Topeka, the Kansas non-partisan silver convention instructed delegates to vote for the indorsement of Bryan.

The Vermont Populist convention indorsed the work of the St. Louis convention and nominated Joseph Battle of Middlebury for Governor.

Senator Hill upon his arrival in New York in company with Major Hinckley, chairman of the State Democratic Committee, went to the home of William C. Whitney as a guest.

The California Populist State executive committee has issued a manifesto to voters. The nomination of Bryan is indorsed, but Sewall is opposed, and Watson is favored for Vice-President.

Henry George, the single tax leader, says that he is neither a gold nor a silver man, and that the present currency system and both systems advocated by the two leading candidates are bad.

The West Virginia Populistic State convention named Isaac C. Ralphsnyder for Governor and ratified the St. Louis platform and the candidates. They urge a reduction of the State officials' salaries.

Rev. Clark Davis, of Seattle, Wash, member of the Populist national committee and chairman of the State committee, has resigned both positions and will support Bryan, who is his wife's first cousin.

At Washington the National Association of Democratic Clubs received Monday sixty applications for new clubs, and since then there have been many additional requests for charters from all parts of the country.

In the Nebraska Populist convention the "middle-of-the-road" men were suppressed, and the State committee given power to name electors in case the national committees of the Democratic and Populist parties failed to agree at their coming conference. The nominees are as follows: For Governor, S. A. Holcomb; for Lieutenant Governor, T. E. Harris.

WHEN YOUR AXLE BREAKS.

How Teamsters May Surmount the Inconvenience of an Accident.

When a buggy, wagon or other comparatively light vehicle breaks a rear axle near the hub, where axles usually break, the driver usually gets a plank or a light stick of timber, makes one end fast under the forward part of the wagon, and lets the other end trail to the rear, as a support for the broken axle. It doesn't lift it quite to its ordinary level, but it raises it high enough, and with the axle thus supported the driver goes to the repair shop. The other day one of those immense four-wheeled trucks, used for carrying iron beams and columns, appeared downtown with a broken rear axle, broken at the hub on the off side of the truck.

A piece of plank or a light stick of timber wouldn't do for a ponderous truck like this. Two heavy planks had been set on edge, with blocks of wood between them at suitable distances apart, and then the planks had been bolted together with bolts running through the blocks. The two planks thus held on edge were stout enough; they were secured to the forward end of the truck trailing to the rear in the usual way; the broken axle rested upon them at pretty near its usual height. The wheel, now in disuse, was slung with a chain under the long high beams of the truck.

While the combined planks were amply strong to support the axle, still the pressure upon them was tremendous, and the square corners had been worn off and the planks had been worn away on the under side until they were pointed out at the ends, thus bringing a long surface of wood on the under edges of the planks in contact with the pavement. As the four horses moved on with the great truck there was a faint odor of burning wood in the air, and now and then a little trace of smoke floated out from under the ends of the planks, from the charring of the wood there by friction, as the planks were drawn along the stone pavement with the great weight of the truck upon them.—New York Sun.

By Steamer, Train or Boat?

Which of these have you selected as a means of travel? No matter. Whichever it is, recollect that for seasickness, disorders of the stomach, liver and bowels, engendered by rough locomotion and bad food or water, and for malarial troubles, Hostetter's Stomach Bitters is the most useful specific you can take with you. It is invaluable also for rheumatism, kidney complaints and nervous trouble.

Joan of Arc's Armor.

A discovery has just been made of a relic, which, should it prove genuine, will be a national object of veneration to the French. It is the armor given by Charles VII. at Bourges to Joan of Arc. He ordered it to be made for her during the siege of Orleans. The armor bears the arms that Charles VII. granted her.

The South is destined to be, and is rapidly becoming, the garden of the United States. Here life is easier to live, the rigorous winters do not eat up the fruits of the toil of summer, nor are the summers so trying as many Northern people have supposed. "I used to live only half the year," said a Northern farmer recently settled in the South, "and I used to work all the time then. Now I work half the time and live all the year through."

Homeseekers' excursion tickets will be sold over the Monon Route to nearly all points in the South at the rate of one first-class fare (one way); tickets good returning on any Tuesday or Friday within thirty-one days from date of sale. Liberal stop-overs are allowed. These excursions start (and tickets are sold) Aug. 17, 18 and 31; Sept. 1, 14, 15; Oct. 5, 6, 19 and 20. Call on Frank J. Reed, agent of the Monon Route, for further information.

Some idea of the vast extent of the surface of the earth may be obtained when it is noted that if a lofty church steeple is ascended and the landscape visible from it looked at, nine hundred thousand such landscapes must be viewed in order that the whole earth may be seen.

Personal.

ANY ONE who has been benefited by the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills will receive information of much value and interest by writing to "Pink Pills," P. O. Box 1592, Philadelphia.

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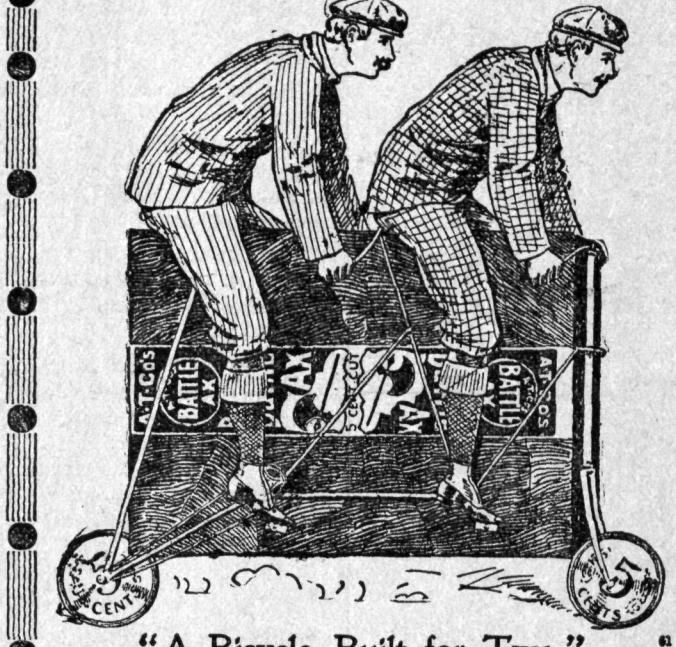
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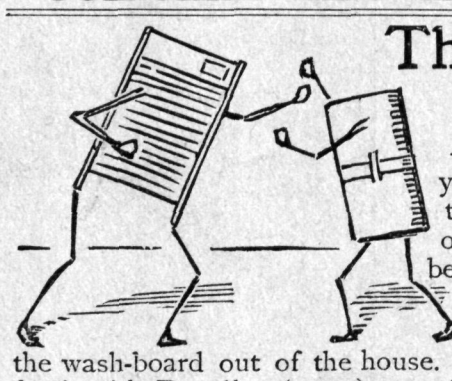


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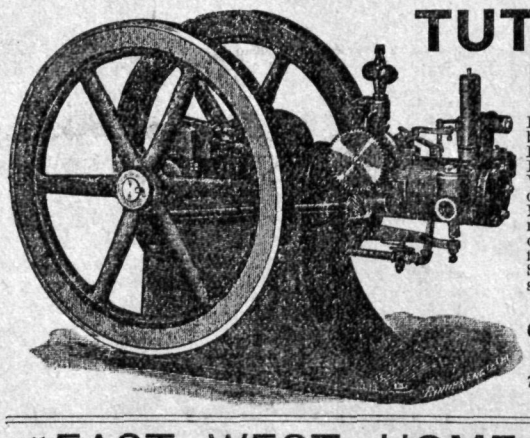
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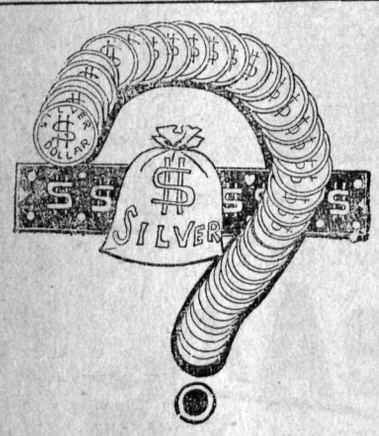
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STATIONS.	Det Exp	Exp Dly	N Y Exp	Ngt Exp	Fr't
	a m	p m	p m	p m	a m
Grand Rapids lv.	7 00	1 00	6 00	11 00	7 10
Middleville	7 35	1 37	6 35	12 13	8 40
Hastings	7 52	1 59	6 57	12 40	9 30
Jackson Ar.	9 50	3 50	9 00	3 40	5 20
Detroit Ar.	12 20	6 00	11 15	7 10	...
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WESTWARD BOUND.

STATIONS.	Pac Exp	Spl D'y	M'll	G R Exp	Fr't
	a m	a m	a m	p m	p m
Grand Rapids Ar	5 00	6 40	11 45	10 20	4 05
Middleville	3 57	5 58	12 55	9 38	2 15
Hastings	3 20	5 40	10 40	9 19	1 03
Jackson Lv.	12 01	3 50	8 45	7 30	7 10
	a m	a m	a m	p m	a m
Detroit Lv.	8 45	2 00	6 30	4 35	.....
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Grand Rapids & Indiana Railroad.

Schedule in effect June 22, 1896.

NORTHERN DIVISION	Leave Going North	Arrive From North
Trav. City, Pet'ky & Mack	* 4:00 am	*10:00 pm
Trav. City, Pet'ky & Mack	† 7:45 am	† 5:15 pm
Trav. City, Pet'ky & Harbor Springs	† 2:00 pm	† 9:10 pm
Cadillac	† 5:25 pm	†11:10 am
Petoskey and Mackinaw	†11:00 pm	† 5:30 am

Train leaving at 4:00 a. m. is a solid vestibuled train with day coaches and sleeping cars to Petoskey and Mackinaw. Train leaving at 7:45 a. m. has parlor car to Petoskey and Mackinaw. Train leaving at 2:00 p. m. is a solid train with day coaches and Wagner buffet parlor car to Petoskey, Bay View and Harbor Springs. Train leaving at 11:00 p. m. has sleeping cars to Petoskey and Mackinaw.

SOUTHERN DIVISION.	Leave Going South	Arrive From South
Cincinnati	† 7:25 am	† 8:25 pm
Ft. Wayne	† 2:00 pm	† 1:45 pm
Kalamazoo	† 6:00 pm	† 9:15 am
Cincinnati	*10:15 pm	* 3:50 am

7:25 a. m. train has parlor car to Cincinnati. 10:15 p. m. train has sleeping cars to Cincinnati, Indianapolis and Louisville.

MUSKEGON TRAINS.

GOING WEST.				
Lv Gd Rpds	†7:25am	*1:00pm	*5:40pm	‡ 9:00am
Ar Muskegon	9:50am	2:10pm	7:05pm	10:25am
Lv Muskegon (Steamer)			7:45pm	
Ar Milwaukee (Steamer)			4:00am	
GOING EAST.				
Lv Mlwk (Str)			8:00pm	
Ar Msky (Str)			5:00am	
Lv M'sk'gon	*8:00am	†11:45am	†4:00pm	‡6:30pm
Ar Gd Rpds	9:30am	12:55pm	5:20pm	7:55pm

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†Except Sunday. *Daily. ‡Sunday only.

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THE MIDDLEVILLE SUN

THURSDAY, AUGUST 13, 1896.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

E. D. Matteson is home from Nashville.

Geo. Sanford is confined to his home by pleurisy.

Miss Mae Toot of Grand Rapids, is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. W. S. Gibbs.

L. W. Fenton, who has been in Grand Rapids for some time, has returned home.

Geo. S. Toot and wife of Grand Rapids are guests of his sister, Mrs. W. S. Gibbs.

Mrs. I. H. Keeler and daughter Bernice, of Owosso, are visiting in the village.

Miss Mamie Buss of Grand Rapids, was a guest at Wm. McConnell's the first of the week.

Hon. M. S. Keeler was in attendance at the Congressional convention held at Three Rivers, yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Cook and Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Hayter expect to go to Sturgis Saturday for a few days visit.

Peaches and plums are selling in the Grand Rapids markets at 75cts. to $1.00 per bushel. Tomatoes 25cts. a bushel.

Mrs. Matter of Saginaw, who has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. W. S. Gibbs, will return to her home today.

J. R. Cook and family and Mesdames Sanford and Mitchell expect to go to Green lake next week for a few days outing.

Mrs. A. L. Moore and daughter May of Sandwich, Ill., are guests of the former's niece, Mrs. H. L. Moore. They formerly residents of our village.

Uncle John R. Russell, Wilber Cutler, E. P. Whitmore, Jas. Williams and others were in attendance at the soldiers' and sailors' picnic held at Thornapple lake Tuesday and Wednesday.

The Barry County Agricultural society has its premium list out for the 44 annual meeting. A noticable feature about the advertisments this season, is that out of the thirty-two pages of advertisments in the book thirteen of them are for bicycle firms.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

The County Fair, Sept. 22, 23, 24, 25. Come out.

Congregational church, H. Appleton, pastor. Services 10:30 a. m., 7:30 p. m. Mr. Ray Gilbert of Moline will conduct the services. Sabbath school at close of morning services. Junior C. E., 4 p. m. Y. P. S. C. E., 6:30 p. m. Prayer meeting, Thursday, 7:30 p. m.

Baptist church, Walter A. Biss, pastor. Services 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Subject for morning, "The Law of Recoil." Sabbath school at the close of morning service. Senior B. Y. P. U. at 6:30 p. m. Subject, "The Christian's Ideal." Heb. xii:1, 2. Leader, Edward Burtle. Prayer meeting, Thursday, 7:30 p. m.

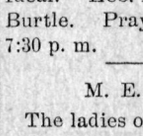
M. E. AID SOCIETY.

The ladies of the M. E. society will hold a picnic supper at the parsonage Friday, August 14. Proceeds to go to our pastor. Let all come and have a good time.

BAPTIST AID SOCIETY.

The Baptist Aid society will hold their annual lawn fete on the church lawn Friday evening, Aug. 21. Extensive preparations are being made and it is expected it will prove to be the entertainment of the season. The lawn will be brilliantly illumined with torches and Chinese lanterns; cake and ice-cream, lemon ice and other delicacies will be served; the Middleville Cornet Band will discourse some of their choicest selections and the male quartet will favor the crowd, with their best songs; solos, both vocal and instrumental, will also greet the ear and not least, the little flower girls will supply all who wish to purchase with lovely bouquets. As the proceeds of the social are to apply on the organ fund, we trust you will all favor us and we will promise you a rich treat.

COMMITTEE.



A. P. T. L.

The American Protective Tariff League is a national organization advocating "Protection to American Labor and Industry" as explained by its constitution, as follows:

"The object of this League shall be to protect American labor by a tariff on imports, which shall adequately secure American industrial products against the competition of foreign labor."

There are no personal or private profits in connection with the organization and it is sustained by memberships, contributions and the distribution of its publications.

FIRST: Correspondence is solicited regarding "Membership" and "Official Correspondents."

SECOND: We need and welcome contributions, whether small or large, to our cause.

THIRD: We publish a large line of documents covering all phases of the Tariff question. Complete set will be mailed to any address for 50 cents.

FOURTH: Send postal card request for free sample copy of the "American Economist." Address Wilbur F. Wakeman, General Secretary, 135 West 23d Street, New York.

DIED.

Carr.—On Friday morning August 7, at the home of his son, in Middleville, Tracy Carr aged 86. Deceased was born in the year 1810, at Hartford, Conn. At the age of 21, he came to Herkner, N. Y., and there married Lydia Brown. In 1854 they moved to Michigan and settled on a farm 2½ miles from Hastings, where he lived until seven years ago, when his wife died, Since that time his home has been with his son E. W. Carr and family, who were always ready to administer to him, giving him their kindest attention, doing all that mortal hands could do in caring for him and making his home life happy in his declining years. Up to the time of feeble health, he was a regular attendant of church and a member of the State Road M. E. church. He leaves one son and two daughters to mourn his loss. The funeral was held at the home of his son Sunday morning at 9 o'clock Rev. F. N. Janes officiating. Interment at the Riverside Cemetery, Hastings.

CARD OF THANKS.

We desire to return our heart felt thanks to our neighbors and friends who so kindly assisted us in our late bereavement and burial of our father.

E. W. CARR AND FAMILY.

GUN LAKE NOTES.

The Rice party from Grand Rapids, arrive this evening, enroute for Gun lake.

Frank Herrick and wife returned home from Gun lake last Wednesday.—Freeport Herald.

Myron Jordan's family, M.F. Jordan's family and Mrs. H. L. Moore spent Tuesday at Streeter's Gun lake resort.

Ed Blake and family were among the resorters Tuesday and Wednesday.

FURY OF SUNDAY NIGHT'S GALE.

Fires Caused by the Electrical Storm.

W. Moe's house one mile east of the village was struck by lightning Sunday night, tearing off plastering and some siding, but none of the inmates were injured. Geo. Williams and family occupy the house.

Last Sunday night, lightning struck Hamilton Carveth's house West of the village, tearing down the chimney and badly damaging the plastering in the kitchen. His orchard was also badly damaged by the storm.

Mrs. Albert Hams was struck by lightning at Hastings and one foot severely burned.

The high wind of Sunday night, blew Chas. Bixler's barn down on his farm four miles south-west of the village. The roof was carried about eight rods into an adjoining field. Several orchards in the neighborhood, were badly damaged and much corn laid flat.

During the electrical storm last Sunday night, lightntng struck Pason Hersey's barn near Wayland, and the barn with entire was destroyed.

The residence of L. S. Smith of Rutland was badly shattered, but no one was injured. R. Grames' house in Carlton was struck and Miss Brown of Grand Rapids, who was visiting them, was badly burned. She was lying on a bed on the floor. Miss Grames was standing and was badly shocked, one of her slippers being torn to shreds. Both will recover.

The D. L. & N. car shops at Ionia were wrecked by the gale. The damage approaches $50,000 and 200 men are thrown out of employment. Several houses were moved three to four feet on their foundations and a brewery was struck by lightning and unroofed.

Lightning set fire to a millinery store in North Lansing, causing a loss of $3500.

The Freeport depot was struck by lightning Sunday night and burned to the ground.

The electric storm of Tuesday evening according to reports was most severe at Benton Harbor where a heavy rain and high wind accompanied it. Thousands of dollars worth of damage was done to fruit-trees.

The chief of the weather bureau at Washington, defines the "tornado" and "cyclone" as follows:

A "tornado," as correctly defined by the head of the weather department, "is a sudden outburst of wind in an otherwise quiet, sultry atmosphere; its path is very narrow—seldom more than 500 feet wide at greatest destruction; it moves, generally, from southwest to northeast, and rarely extends more than 20 miles. It is always accompanied by thunder storms, with often a bright glow in the cloud: this cloud has usually a funnel shape, which appears to be whirling."

A "cyclone," on the other hand, "is a very hard storm, often 1,000 miles in diameter, and sometimes can be followed half around the world; the wind circulates about it from right to left. The air pressure always falls as one approaches the center, where, at sea, there is a portentous calm, with clear sky visible at times."

A little attention to these terms will save much confusion and afford more accurate descriptions of storms.

Personal.

FREE—64-page medical reference book to any person afflicted with any special, chronic or delicate disease peculiar to their sex. Address the leading physicians and surgeons of the United States, Dr. Hathaway & Co., 70 Dearborn street, Chicago. 21-52

IRVING INKLINGS.

League next Sunday evening will be led by Miss Dilla Chatfield. Subject, "To Judas, the Betrayer." John xii:7-8.

The services at Cong'l church next Sunday afternoon will be conducted by Mr. Gilbert of Moline.

The Dorcas society will be postponed from Friday, Aug. 21, to Wednesday, Aug. 26, on account of the farmers' picnic at Gun lake. The young ladies of Mr. Appleton's class will entertain and they hope a goodly number will plan to attend.

Bill McCann returned from Indiana Saturday evening.

Charles Wilcox and George Kirtsner with their families and Bessie Watkins and Manda Poff are camping at Gun lake.

Charles Andrus spent Sunday at the farm.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Miller Aug. 5, a son.

Frank Rogers was at Gun lake Sunday.

Billie McCann and Chet Benedict took in the excursion to Grand Rapids Monday.

Some of our young people are attending the institute at Hastings this week.

Several letters have been received from J. A. Robertson since his arrival in England and, judging by the same, he is having a very pleasant time with old friends and relatives.

Monday morning the news reached us that several buildings were struck by lightning in our vicinity. The only one in our village was the barn of Mr. Joe Adams. No serious damage done.

NORTH IRVING.

Mr. and Mrs. Cook and friend visited at Geo. Ingram's last week.

R. D. Freeman was calling on our streets recently.

Ella Ingram has been enjoying a visit with Middleville friends, also went to Grand Rapids on the excursion.

Fred Jordan most seriously injured himself while threshing recently. Much sympathy is felt for Fred, his mother and sister.

"My, how warm it is these few days!" "Wasn't you scared last Tuesday morning at that storm?" were the popular topics discussed last week.

The light from the burning of Mr. Poland's barn was plainly seen here, lighting the place so one could most see to read.

Mr. Zerbe's people, some of them, attended camp meeting a part of last week. A goodly number attended Sunday.

I think it's 16 silver dollars now, as there was a "free silver" speech at the school-house Friday evening.

The electric storm Sunday evening was the hardest of the kind we have been called upon to experience this year, but fortunately we escaped with slight damages, no lives being taken. The greatest loss was to Leonard Smith's house, lightning going down the chimney and doing considerable harm to chamber walls. Fortunately they escaped with but slight shock and fright. Their sleeping upstairs, it is remarkable that none were injured more.

Lightning struck several times around here, but of minor importance.

Wonder if those young people from Middleville got home before the storm? Guess not.

Institute at Hastings this week calls several from this place.

Tuesday—Fred Jordan is much better. If nothing unseen interferes, his speedy recovery is quite certain.

J. Matthews don't like a game foot but he has to put up with it at present.

Haile Bros. have been busy lately drawing wood to the Powers schoolhouse.

Ladies' Aid day is changed to the 20th of this month, will meet with Mrs. C. Brown near Rutland school-house.

Mrs. Coulter accompanied her aunt, Mrs. Milliner, to Saugatuck to visit friends a short time, hoping in the meantime she may regain her strength.

Milton Coulter had the "luck" to lose a horse.

Some from here are attending the G. A. R. encampment at Thornapple lake Tuesday and Wednesday.

YANKEE SPRINGS.

Mrs. A. M. Stocking is no better at this writing.

Miss Jennie Amy is at work for Mrs. John Tinker.

The Misses Belle, Bertha and Blanche Stuart are visiting their sister at Ottawa Beach.

Born to John Tinker and wife Aug. 4 an 8 lb son.

Wm. Stocking's people have a new organ.

Quite a number from here attended the camp meeting in Pennock's grove Sunday and report a large crowd.

Ed McKibbin is quite sick.

There will be an ice-cream social at the Yankee Springs school house Friday evening, Aug. 14, for the benefit of Rev. S. G. Hall. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

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Bran per ton		8 00
Middlings		10 00
Butter		10
Eggs		9
Chickens (full dressed)		8
Chickens (spring)		10
Beef (dressed)	4	5
Veal	5	5½
Hogs (dressed)		4 00
Hogs (live)	2 75	3 00
Lard		6
Tallow		3
Hides	3	4
Pelts	15	30
Hay (timothy)	6 00	7 00
Hay (clover)	5 00	6 00
Wood (dry maple)		1 50
Oil (retail)	10	13
Gasoline		12
Salt		75
Lime per bbl		80
Land Plaster		4 50
Potatoes	20	25

SILVER STATE CONVENTION.

Notice is hereby given that there will be a state convention of the Union Silver party held in Bay City in this state at 11 o'clock in the forenoon on the 25th day of August, A. D., 1896, to put in nomination candidates for presidential electors of president and vice president of the United States and candidates for the various state offices and for the transaction of such other business as may come before it.

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