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Time and Opportunity

Are two of the principal factors in our lives.

Success or Failure

Is largely due to our aptitude in making proper use of them.

How is it with you? Did you take advantage of our January bargain month? We know many did; but are fearful some did not. Hence we will extend the TIME and OPPORTUNITY during February. Remember every Men's, Boys' and Children's suits at COST. Every pair of shoes at reduced prices.

J. D. GROSBY, CASS CITY'S SHOE and CLOTHING MAN.

Special Sale

ON ALL WINTER GOODS

Bargains in Clothing, Shoes, Underwear

New Spring Styles

NOW ARRIVING IN

Hats, Shoes and Clothing.

SPECIAL DRIVES IN

Dress Goods, Prints, Ladies' Wool Hose.

We have the Goods and can make prices to please. Come and see.

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8 Bars Soap for 25 cents.
Prints from 4 to 7 cents.
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Ginghams 5 cents.
Cottonades from 10 to 25 cents.
Embroidery from 4 to 20 cents.
Ladies fine all wool Hose 25 cents.
The best Syrup for 17c per gal.
Package Coffee 20c per lb.
Pure Pepper 25c per lb.
Try our 25c Tea.
10 lb Fish for 25 cents.

That we Sell
Goods as
Cheap
As
The
Cheapest.

CLOAKS and JACKETS at Cost.

Yours for Business,

Frost & Hebblewhite.

WE ARE MAKING

Close Prices

and closing out some lines preparatory to taking inventory. Come and get the benefit of some of them.

We Lead in the Price of Sugar.

Best 25 cent Tea "War Chop"

Rubbers, Shoes, Underwear, Hosiery, Prints, Cottons, Etc., Etc.

Bring Your BUTTER and EGGS.

We have MILLET SEED and SEED PEAS for sale.

LAING & JANES.

HOME HAPPENINGS

ITEMS OF PURELY LOCAL INTEREST.

See 2 Macks' change of adv.
I. B. Auten visited in Caro on Sunday.
Dell Pattison, of Caro, was in town on Wednesday.
Mrs. S. Striffler, of Argyle, is visiting friends and relatives in town.
L. M. Houghton left yesterday morning for his home at Lexington.
Dr. Morris and wife, of Gageton, were callers in town on Sunday.
H. B. Fairweather enumerates his specialties in his new adv. this week.
The dance at the rink was not very largely attended last Thursday night.
A daughter came to the home of Geo. Youngs, this township, on Monday.

Wm. Gage, grocer and grain dealer, of Linkville, did business here on Monday.
James Griffin, from near Marlette, was the guest of Miss Ray McDougall on Sunday.

Arthur Whitney, of Pinnebog, was the guest of his uncle, A. G. Berney, on Monday.
H. E. Bucklen & Co., of Chicago, have renewed their adv. contract with the ENTERPRISE.

Special services are being held at the M. E. Church, having commenced Tuesday evening.
Three candidates were given the initiatory degree in the Masonic lodge on Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Kile and baby have all been ill with la grippe but are now convalescing.
Miss Grace Mills entertained a few of her lady friends Monday evening, it being her birthday.

John Carruthers, of Argyle, was in town yesterday. He is just recovering from a serious illness.
Herb Frutchey started out this morning with the egg wagon to make the first trip of the season.

J. S. McArthur writes from Cincinnati that the weather is fine and the grass green. Quite a change!
Miss Bennett returned to this place on Tuesday, after several months' sojourn with relatives at Kinde.

J. W. Macomber has been putting the finishing touches in the interior of H. B. Fairweather's store this week.
Byron Bingham, host of Gageton's new hotel, was in town on Tuesday. He reports an increasing patronage.

Frank Sheffer and Walter Beach attended the Franco-Rolla Comedy Co. at Sebawaing last Wednesday evening.
The Star of Bethlehem lodge are arranging for a motto badge party and box social on Friday evening, Mar. 5th.

Prof. G. Masselink has been confined to the house for a few days by an attack of la grippe. He is able to be out to-day.
"The Miller's Daughter" will be presented by home talent in a week or two. Watch for further announcements.

H. C. Woydemeyer, of Pontiac, but well known here, received a handsome valentine on the 14th, it being a young daughter.

Edith, youngest daughter of John C. Evans, who has been seriously ill with inflammation of the lungs, is reported improving.

The ladies of the W. C. T. U. are circulating a petition to be presented to our state legislature for the prohibition of cigarettes.
The Elkton parties who lost a pair of halters will probably find them when they settle with the hostler at the Gageton hotel.

Mrs. Sarah Warner, of Vulcan, Dickson Co., Mich., returned to her home Monday after an extended visit with her parents and friends.
Thos. H. Dodd, a former employe of this office, accompanied by his brother, William, of Port Sanilac, made us a pleasant call yesterday morning.

Thos. Cross has made the interior of Laing & Janes' store present a much finer appearance. The ceiling has been all painted, counters varnished, etc.
Rev. B. Allen, of Grant circuit, received the sad news, by telegram on Monday, of the death of his wife. She was at her parental home at St. Louis, Mich.

Several children have had very narrow escapes this week from being run over or trampled under horses' feet, while attempting to "catch on" sleighs. Parents would do well to forbid the practice entirely.

The Port Austin News, published for over a year by John P. Smith, formerly principal of our schools, has been sold to Messrs. Sheldon and Newberry.

Undertaker McKenzie has a change of adv. this week. His branch offices at Gageton and Argyle are fully equipped and in the hands of competent men.

J. F. Hendrick was called to Koylton last Friday to the bedside of a cousin, Cyrus Hendrick, who died that evening. His obituary appears in another column.

D. J. Landon, of Landon, Eno & Keating, made a trip to Saginaw this week. The firm contemplates the purchase of a new boiler but have not yet fully decided.

Master Spencer Hunt was thirteen years old last Thursday and he was agreeably surprised in the evening by a host of his young friends, who spent a most enjoyable evening.

The Michigan Press Association will hold its Midwinter meeting at the Hotel Cadillac, Detroit, on Monday and Tuesday next. The editor of the ENTERPRISE will attend.

The anti-saloon league movement will be presented to our citizens at the M. E. Church this evening by Prof. Williams, field secretary of the state league. He is highly spoken of by those who know him.

Miss Carrie Walker, who has been visiting at John Murphy's for the past six weeks, left for her home at Alderton, Ont., Saturday. During Miss Walker's visit here she has made many friends who regret her departure.

On the day Major McKinley takes his seat in the presidential chair it will be just one hundred years from the day that George Washington stepped down from that position, the highest in the gift of the American people.

A new cornmeal scupper and purifier has been placed in the Roller Mills during the past week and works like a charm. Mr. Heller will now be able to turn out cornmeal of the highest grade and fully equal to any on the market.

The Literary Department of the Epworth League spring their first attempt at a program on the unsuspecting public next Monday evening in the League room. Subject, "The Land of Robert Burns." All members requested to be present.

The sleighing last Friday was probably the best of the season and a great amount of teaming was done. Jas. D. Tuckey delivered a load of cordwood to our roller mills containing four cords and three quarters. We doubt if any one else has brought so large a load.

Never was a man more surprised than was the Rev. J. M. Bittner, of the Evangelical Church, a few days ago when a friend knocked at his back door and requested him to come out and take care of his new cutter, which was presented to him by his friends of Cass City and vicinity.

Twenty-seven from this place attended the "Mozart Symphony Club" at Caro last Thursday evening. After the musical was over they went to the Caro House where they had prepared for them an elegant oyster supper by Landlord Montague. They report the entertainment first class.

The people living on the county line between Novesta and Evergreen were somewhat alarmed at the actions of Israel Palmateer on Monday the 15th. They could not imagine what had happened to make him dance around so on his lame foot. Finally they overpowered him and made him explain the cause of all this merriment and then he said, "It's a girl."

The service at the M. E. Church Sunday evening was a departure from the usual service. The Junior League lead the singing, addresses were given by T. H. Fritz, superintendent of the Sunday school; Mrs. I. A. Fritz, superintendent of the Junior League; A. A. P. McDowell, retiring president of the Epworth League; and the pastor. The officers elect of the Epworth League were publicly installed and a consecration service was held at the close.

Mrs. Joe. Young, who resides some five miles north and east of here, contemplates removing to Clifford in the near future. In view of her removal, about forty of her friends and neighbors gave her a pleasant surprise on Tuesday evening, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Fritz being among the number. Rev. Farmer Karr, in behalf of the company made an excellent address and presented Mrs. Youngs with an elegant easy chair, as an evidence of their respect and esteem. The occasion was a very pleasant one and will be long cherished in the memory of those who were present.

Jas. S. McArthur took his departure for the Sunny South on Saturday afternoon, going by way of Port Huron and Detroit, over the Toledo Central lines and Louisville & Nashville R. R. to New Orleans. He will send a descriptive letter to the ENTERPRISE at his earliest convenience. His friends wish him an enjoyable trip.

The Moore telephone line, running direct from Caro here, was completed several days ago, and the central office established at A. W. Seed's drug store. It is the intention to put in a switch board at once and several more 'phones will be placed as soon as the line can attend to the necessary work. The line was also completed to Gageton yesterday, the central office being with the Purdy Mercantile Co.

The agitation regarding electric railroads is still going on. Huron and Sanilac counties have caught the enthusiasm and rights of way are being talked of all along the line. F. S. Wheat, of Caro, has secured a thirty year franchise for an electric road on the streets of that place, and appearances indicate that ere many moons activities will commence.

R. A. Robinson, who for several years has conducted a grocery store at the corner of Main and Leech streets, has disposed of his entire stock to Messrs. Parrott & Hall, of Shabbona, who moved the goods Tuesday. Mr. Robinson, for the time being has moved into the Korth building but has not yet decided what line of business he will pursue. Whatever it may be we wish him prosperity.

Mrs. O. Lenzner, Sr., had nearly a full load of old bones in the back yard and on Saturday last a large four-footed thief, known as "Buff," came to examine them and finding them to his liking, picked up the pile, bones and all, and made off without asking permission of the owner. It was a rare chance for a "snap shot." Mrs. Lenzner does not care about the bones but wishes the thief would be gentleman enough to return the pile.

The Lincoln banquet held at Vassar last Thursday evening was pronounced the most successful ever held by the county club. Over 250 partook of the banquet and eloquent speeches were made by prominent Republicans. At the county convention held that afternoon, A. A. McKenzie was chosen delegate to the State convention from this place, R. S. Brown from Gageton and Z. Bartholomew from Kingston. Most of the remaining townships also have representatives. P. G. Davis, of Mayville, was nominated for school commissioner. The club will meet next year at Mayville.

A great many of our farmers complain because Canadian cattle bring better prices in the Buffalo market than the domestic cattle do. The reason for this is given by one of our local stockmen, it is because the Canadian farmers pay closer attention to the breeding and feeding of their cattle. The Buffalo Mercantile Review says on this subject: "Canadian stock steers sold at the full strength of last week trade, with the best Canadian feeding steer cattle bringing 10c. stronger prices than a week ago. The buyers of feeding cattle preferring the Canadian feeders over the Michigan and Ohio stock." It would seem as if the remedy were in the hands of the farmers themselves and if they want better prices they should raise better cattle.—[Bad Axe Democrat.]

The Board of Directors of the T. H. & S. District Fair Assn. met last Saturday afternoon at the Council Rooms and transacted considerable important business. The report of the committee for the revision of the premium list was acted upon and some necessary changes made. Two classes were added in the horse department, an agricultural class and standard bred. Various other changes were made for the better and it was decided to issue the premium lists two months previous to the fair. The Driving Park Assn. agreed to make improvements in Floral Hall and elsewhere. Committees were appointed for various purposes and we venture to say that never in the history of the association has the work been as well in hand at so early a date. It's a good thing; let us push it along.

Village Caucus.
Notice is hereby given that a caucus for the nomination of village officers, of the village of Cass City, Michigan, will be held at the council rooms in said village on Wednesday, the 24th day of Feb. A. D. 1897, at 7:30 p. m.
By order of the council.
HUGH W. SEEP,
Village Clerk.

Renew your subscription.

DISTRICT NEWS.

H. A. Mack'em has been re-nominated school commissioner for Sanilac county.

Pat McCormick was instantly killed near Caseville yesterday, being struck on the head by a falling tree.

The Carsonville Journal and Crosswell Jeffersonian have been consolidated and the Journal will be discontinued.

Chas. Caughell was struck by the southbound train near Carsonville, yesterday, and instantly killed. He was about twenty-one years of age and single. He was deaf.

Jacob Snyder, 65 years of age, an old resident of Lexington, died Monday. He served during the war as a member of Co. A, 7th Mich. Infantry. He leaves an invalid widow and three sons.

A little daughter of Mr. Kuntz of Bingham township fell into a pail of boiling water Saturday and was so severely scalded that she is expected to die.

The bill introduced to make the townships in Huron county primarily liable for the suppression of contagious diseases has passed both Houses and is now a law in that county.

A physician and surgeon of large experience will soon locate in Port Austin as assistant in the Sanitarium. He will also have charge of the acute practice and will make visits day or night.

Geo. Holtz, a farmer living near Bad Axe, while returning home Sunday evening was thrown from the sleigh and a passing team ran over him one of the horses stepping upon his head and inflicting severe injuries.

The prisoners charged with the murder of Farmer Brown will unquestionably all be tried at an adjourned session to be held in March, on account of Hawley, whose feet are in such a condition that it would be impossible for him to stand trial at the present term.—[Caro Courier.]

Dr. Granger, of Bay City, was in town Wednesday. He states that the coal beds near the city at the mouth of the river are the largest in the state and he feels sure that it would not be many years before Bay City would rank the second largest city in the state.—[Unionville Crescent.]

On Monday afternoon, while splitting wood, Will Sanderson had the misfortune to cut his right foot almost in two. The ax struck a pile of wood and glancingly inflicted the wound, which extended from the outside of the foot to the third toe, completely severing the bones and cords.—[North Branch Gazette.]

Mrs. Ida Scott, a widowed lady, and daughter about 16 years old, moved to Port Huron from this place about four years ago, where Mrs. Scott married a man by the name of Dennis Sharrow. Last Monday afternoon while Mrs. Sharrow was in the act of lighting a fire with kerosene, pouring it out of a can, an explosion took place and she was instantly enveloped in a sheet of flames. Help was quickly at hand and flames were soon extinguished, but she died from the effects of the fire next day.—[Caro Courier.]

North Branch Gazette.—Sheriff Finkle went down Jefferson st. at a merry clip Tuesday, and Bertie Faulkenbury was going him just one merrier with a lead of several rods. Bertie had turned his wife out of doors and the sheriff knew it and let out a link; Bertie knew that the sheriff knew it, and let out two links, while his flaxen locks waved in the breeze, a sight beautiful to behold. Finally when Bertie had let out his last link and could go no further, the sheriff kindly gathered him in and took him to Lapeer.

An old colored woman, "Ann Nuby," nearly one hundred old, was found frozen in her miserable home in Arlington, where she had lived alone. A colored man owning the farm on which her little hut stood was in the habit of now and then looking after her needs. He had not been in for a day or two and found her in a heap beside her old stove with blackened wood inside. She had the boots on she usually wore, an old coat of her husband's and an old hood as though contemplating an effort to get out for help.

Andrew Newton, of Sanilac Center, a widower less than one year, is alleged to have eloped with the 14-year-old daughter of James Gordon. He procured a license from the county clerk swearing her age at 18 years. The girl left her home a few days ago, presumably to work at the home of a neighboring farmer, but instead accompanied

Newton to Sanilac Center, where they procured a license and left for parts unknown. Gordon is making every effort to find them, and says he will prosecute Newton to the full extent of the law.

A very important discovery is alleged to have been made by the Bay Port fishermen which seems to prove why the whitfish are becoming extinct is on account of the increase of herring. W. J. Orr, secretary of the Michigan Commercial Fishermen's Association, has just sent by express to Herschel Whitaker, president of the Michigan fish commission, a small lot of herring whose stomachs are full of small whitfish. Further investigation proved that in a ton of herring lifted out of a net in Saginaw Bay that they all contained more or less small white fish about the size usually planted by the fish commission.

Gone to Rest.

Another old soldier has gone to rest, Cyrus Hendrick, of Koylton township, died Friday evening at eleven o'clock. He was born in Colden township, N. Y., March 27th, 1847 and was fifty-two years old at the time of his death. When five years of age he moved with his parents to Ohio, where he lived until the rebellion broke out. In 1861 he enlisted in the 29th Ohio Infantry, Co. A, and served two years and two months in regular service. He was in the battles of Gettysburg, Winchester, Antietam, Cedar Mountain, Port Royal and Chancellorsville. At Gettysburg he lost his right arm and got his discharge. He came to Michigan in 1867, bought eighty acres of wild land and cleared it up with his own arm. On Oct. 4th, 1870, he married Miss Eliza Campbell, who has ever been a faithful wife and performed her share of the hard labor. Their home was blessed with six children, five of whom are left, with the mother, to mourn the loss of the deceased. Deceased's father died of old age some five years ago and Cyrus bought the old homestead, making himself a farm of some 230 acres. He will be missed by his neighbors as he was beloved by all who knew him.

Union Lyceum.

The following program will be rendered at the Lyceum Friday evening Feb. 19th. Everybody invited
Music.....Kessie Morre
Notes on Burn's life.....Fred Bigelow
Reading.....Claude McClinton
Autobiography.....Mabel Schwaderer
Story.....A. A. Hitchcock
Article.....Hattie Deming
Notes on Burn's Poetry.....J. T. Berry
Oration.....Mollie Annin
Music, vocal selection.....Mamie Whalen
Recitation.....Mabel Wilkinson
Story.....Gladys Schooley
Essay.....Chas. McCre

School Reports.

Report of Canboro school, Dist. No. 3, Grant, for month ending Jan. 25th. No. of days taught, 20. No. of pupils enrolled, 40. Average daily attendance, 22.3. Those not absent during the month are DeEtte Parker, Willie Parker, Ella Easton, Hattie and Joseph Mellendorf, Maggie Bursleigh, Clayton Dulmage, Minnie Scott and Ralph Anderson. We extend a cordial invitation to all patrons and others interested in education to visit us from time to time.

MARIA SPARLING, Teacher.

Take Notice.

R. A. Robinson wishes to announce that he may be found first door north of Town Hall and desires a prompt settlement of outstanding accounts.

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All persons owing me on account are requested to call and settle by cash or note at once.
E. F. MARR.

Saw Filing.

I am now prepared to file all kinds of saws on short notice, from 15 to 25 cents. Satisfaction guaranteed.
J. W. ALVENS,
West of Woolen Mills. 2-4-4

To Exchange.

Good four-year-old light farm horse to exchange for a pair of pony drivers weighing from 800 to 900 each. Will pay difference. 1-28 A. A. MCKENZIE

The Magic Cotton Red will color one pound of Cotton a beautiful turkey red and absolutely fast against sun or washing. 10c. of T. H. Fritz.

Our people are growing more and more in the habit of looking to T. H. Fritz's for the latest and best of everything in the drug line. They sell Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, famous for its cures of bad colds, croup and whooping cough. When in need of such a medicine give this remedy a trial and you will be more than pleased with the result.

A. A. P. McDowell, Publisher.

CASS CITY, MICHIGAN.

People who have no malice in their makeup, are seldom amusing.

Wisdom is in the main a correct appreciation of the follies of other people.

It was a Central American shot that knocked the hole in the Nicaragua Canal bill.

Most of us would last longer if we possessed the power of keeping still occasionally.

There is really slight consolation about advancing theories to account for your defeat.

Crooked bankers who do not commit suicide are dropping into the habit of falling dead.

People who are not able to take care of their private conduct are hardly fit to prescribe rules for others.

There is as much difference between information and gossip as there is between walnut and basswood.

Don't blame the devil with everything crooked in the world. Mankind has done a good deal in that line.

When a girl is saying goodby to a man in the hall, why does she stand up so close and put her hands behind her?

It is well to remember when in or out of society that purple and fine linen never made a porcine character a fine gentleman.

Now that another United States Venezuelan Commission has been appointed the people will be less restless. It has been difficult trying to worry along between commissions.

Jake Schaefer, the former champion billiardist, fell off a Chicago street car and permanently injured the wrist of his cue arm, and is now suing for \$100,000 damages. It's a stiff price, but it is also a stiff wrist.

Maguire Hines, a railroad builder, has just returned from a visit to England. He went there to raise \$3,000,000 for a new line in the South. "The people I met believe that the late war over here was between North and South America," he said, recently, "and their notion about Venezuela is that the confederacy has started the war again." England is in need of free schools.

Whatever our senators and representatives do or fail to do about other matters, the present session of congress ought not to close without a suitable appropriation for the repair of the frigate Constitution, "Old Ironsides." Immediate action is necessary for the preservation of a vessel whose decks have been "red with heroes' blood," and whose glorious record is an imperishable part of our national renown.

The special agent recently dispatched to Japan by the San Francisco Bureau of Foreign Commerce for the purpose of collecting data with reference to matters affecting the interests of American manufacturers has submitted a report, in which he states that during the past two months there has been almost a panic in Japanese financial circles, but the worst is now considered over. After the war with China speculation was rampant. Thousands of stock companies were floated, and their shares boomed. Everybody invested, but collapse soon came. The native banks have shut down indiscriminately of late and merchants allowed no accommodations. Heavy stocks of merchandise were thus thrown back upon the market, and warehouses are crowded.

A minister in the far west during the past few years has made a collection of curious and worthless money given at the services of his church. His exhibit includes Peruvian, Hawaiian and Swedish coin, also quarters and dimes, punched, battered, defaced, which he would not attempt to pass for their face value, and could not pass them if he made the attempt. He has given notice that the defaced coin will be sent to the mint and sold as bullion, or melted and made into some article of church ware. Such a matter-of-fact statement is worth more than a hundred jests to show that the collection plate indicates the possible character of a contributor. If conscientiously used in this way the defaced coin represents a deception. The giver knows that his tradesman would hesitate to accept the coin in trade. To drop it into the contribution-box is an easy disposition of the obnoxious piece of metal, and apparently shows generous obedience to a religious duty. It is a small, misleading act. Its pitiful meanness could not be tolerated by a thoroughly honest mind.

The police of Kansas City properly come under the classification of heavyweights. The members of the force were recently weighed, when it was found that the average weight of each policeman is 188 1/2 pounds, and the average height is 5 feet 10 1/2 inches. The heaviest officer weighs 280 pounds and is seven feet high, lacking four inches.

The wife who is meek and patient and forgiving and always meets her husband with a smiling face no matter how much he makes her cry in secret, gets terribly tiresome.

AN ERA IN THE HISTORY OF THE METROPOLIS.

Completion of the New York Central's Four-Track Draw-Bridge Over the Harlem River, and of the \$3,000,000 Steel Viaduct From 110th to 149th Street.

New York, Feb. 5, 1897.—One of the most remarkable feats of engineering on record is nearing completion, and, beginning Thursday Feb. 11, the passenger entering New York from the north will ride over one of the grandest examples of steel railway construction yet accomplished in this age of marvelous results in that direction.

Going south at 149th street, the tracks of the New York Central begin to rise gradually, and at 135th street they cross the Harlem river on the new four-track steel draw-bridge, at an elevation of 24 feet above high tide.

This massive structure is remarkable in being the first four-track draw-bridge ever constructed, and is the largest bridge of the kind in the world. It is 400 feet long and weighs 2,500 tons. The draw-bridge is 58 feet 6 inches wide, from center to center of

From 138th street south the four new tracks run over the steel viaduct to 110th street, and thence by the stone viaduct to 106th street, where they strike the level of the present four-track line.

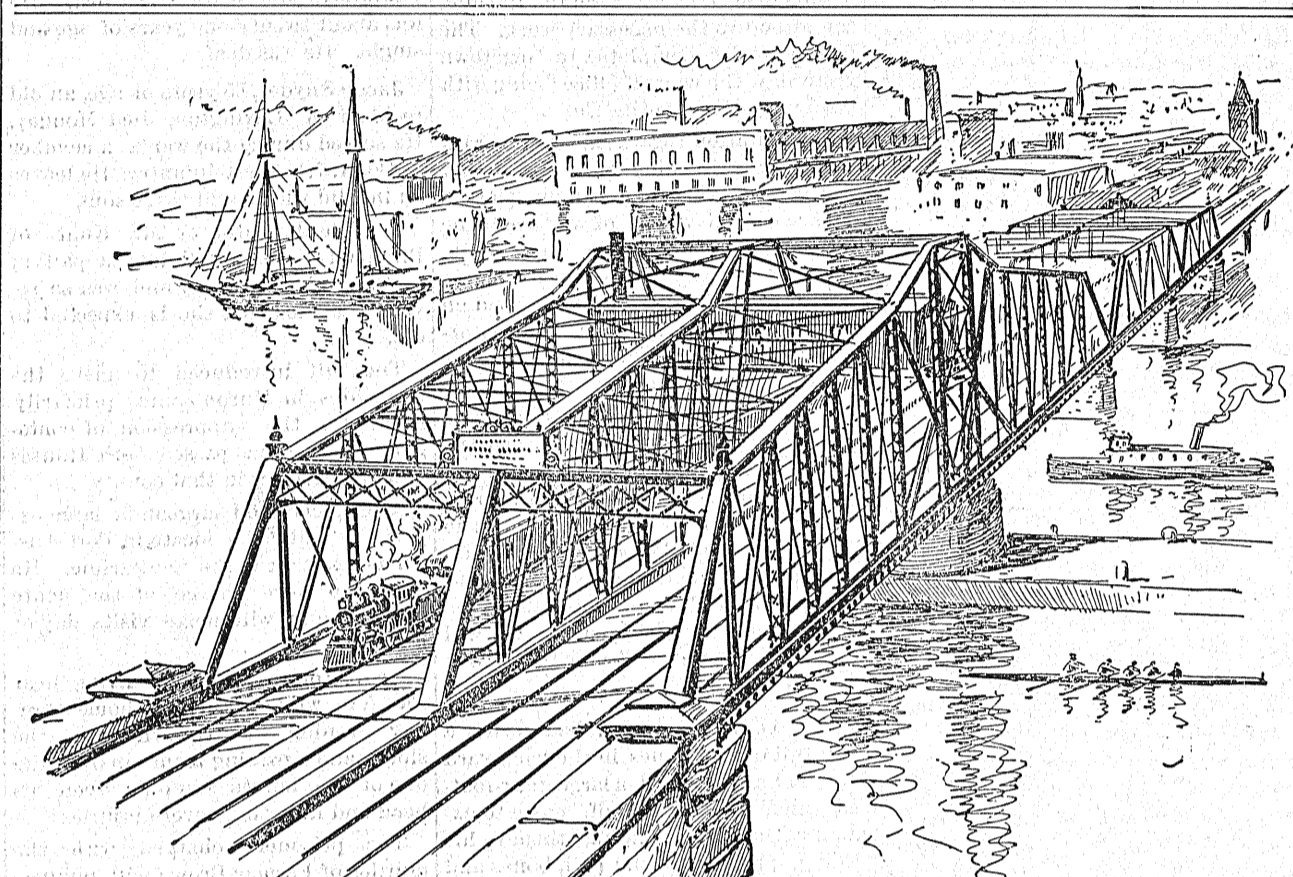
The work of building this massive structure, which is here illustrated, began Sept. 1, 1893, and has continued without cessation until now, and will cost when completed considerably more than \$3,000,000. The completion of the new work will permit the opening of all cross streets under the railway and so admit a perfectly free passage for street traffic.

One hundred and thirty-eighth street, which has become a great thoroughfare, will be entirely free, as the trains which heretofore crossed it at grade will pass over it at an elevation that will allow street cars and all traffic perfect freedom. At 125th street, the tracks will cross the street fourteen feet above the level of the street, and at this point a magnificent passenger station is to be built, extending from 125th to 126th street, under the four-track viaduct.

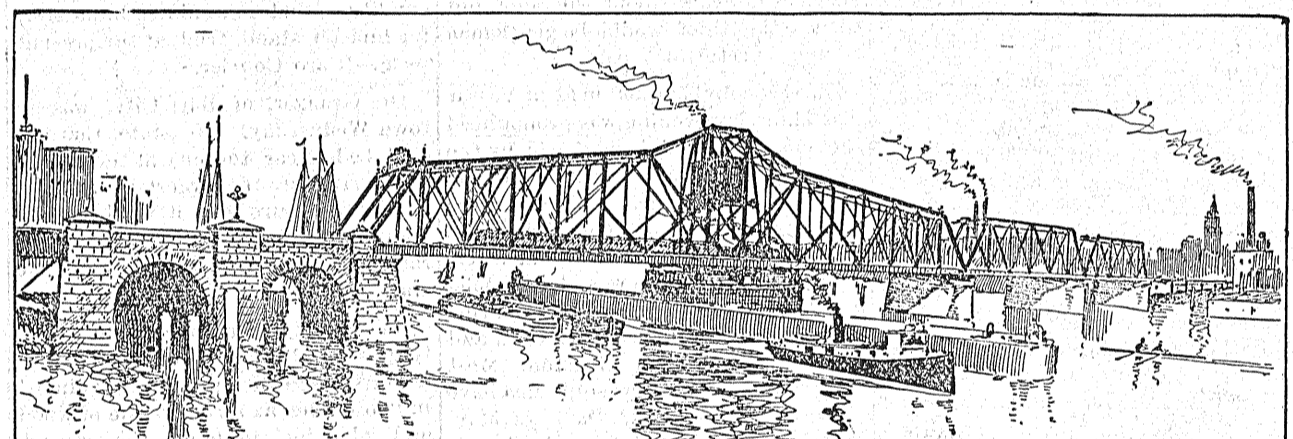
This improvement will be of immense value to the entire state—in fact, to the whole country—as the bridge, being so high above the water, will never have to be opened, except when large steamers or vessels with masts

and out of the city, the important through trains as well as the principal suburban trains arriving and departing during those hours. This will avoid delays, which have been, at times, very annoying, and permit of much faster service than could have been maintained under the old arrangements; and, as speed is one of the principal factors in travel in this age, this feature will prove an important one.

Quite a number of the great improvements which have recently been made in the northern part of the city can be seen from the trains as they pass over the new viaduct. Among them are Grant's tomb, St. Luke's hospital and the buildings of Barnard college and Columbia college on Morningside Heights, and very soon the grand structure of the Cathedral of St. John the Divine will be observed. Further north, and on the west side of the Harlem river, the now famous speedway is under construction and approaching completion; the magnificent High bridge, Washington bridge, McComb's dam bridge and the viaduct leading to it, from the north, are works of art as well as of great utility, under which the trains pass, and on the right may be seen the buildings of the University of the city of New York, Webb's Sailor's Home, and hundreds



End view of the New York Central's new four-track steel draw-bridge over the Harlem River at 135th Street, Greater New York. The largest structure of its kind in the world.



Side view of the new four-track steel draw-bridge over the Harlem River.

outside trusses, and is carried on three very heavy trusses. Between the central and each of the two side trusses is a clear space of 26 feet, which permits the passage of two sets of double tracks. The floor is corrugated and the rails are bolted to it on steel tie-plates. The trusses of the draw-bridge span are 64 feet high in the center and 25 feet high at each end. At the highest part of these trusses is situated the engine-house, which contains two oscillating double-cylinder engines, which turn the draw, and can be worked together or separately, so that if one should break down at any time the other can do the work.

have to pass through; all tugs, canal boats, barges, etc., will have ample room to go under the bridge while it is closed.

The Harlem river, having been declared by congress a ship canal, the secretary of war has issued orders that all tugs and barges shall joint their smoke-stacks and flag-poles, to enable them to pass under the bridge while it is closed. He has also ordered that the bridge shall not be opened between the hours of seven and ten o'clock in the morning, and four and seven o'clock in the afternoon, except for police, fire or government vessels, the hours named covering the great business traffic in

of other new buildings of less importance. North of the Harlem river, on the Harlem division, is Bronx park, which is to contain the great botanical gardens and zoological gardens of Greater New York, and within a few years this portion of the city will offer for attractions which will be unsurpassed in their character by any city in the world.

Greater New York, which is 19 miles wide by 35 miles long, certainly offers the tourist and seeker after knowledge or pleasure more inducements than any other American city, and few cities in Europe can equal it.

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THESE BE SONS OF ANAK.

And Some of Them Were Born Before Columbus Discovered America.

The great register of Alameda county, which is considered the true and official index to the age and height of the male residents of this city, contains some remarkable information concerning well-known citizens, says the San Francisco Examiner. County Clerk Frank C. Jordan prepared the work, and he has been highly complimented for the excellent production that gives full information about the electors. Since the register has been on the market circus freak managers and dime museum runners have been looking lovingly in this direction in the hope of securing profitable sidishow attractions. They have read the great register. It is shown by that document that prominent citizens attain a great height and live for centuries. The oldest man in Alameda county, according to the register, is William Allen, a carpenter living in the Second Ward, who has attained the age of 776 years. John W. Alexander, a traveling man, is 405 years old and 11 1/2 feet high. Then there is George H. Allen, who used to be deputy recorder. He is apparently a young man, but in this register he is 326 years old and only 2 feet high. John O. Cadman, the San Francisco insurance man and great gunshot, would never be recognized by his friends from his official description, for he is registered 355 years and 9 1/2 feet in height. There are scores of others who are on the official list.

Wants to Find Her Brother.

While unpacking a sample order of chinaware from Germany the other day, Frank C. Young, a Second street importer, discovered a blue envelope tucked away in a vase. On opening it a letter written in German was disclosed. Being an expert German scholar, Mr. Young translated the missive, which read as follows: "To whom it may concern: My brother, William Bletzner, left Carlsbad, Germany, two years ago, for America, where he intended to engage in the china business. After a short time his correspondence abruptly ended and after that all our letters were returned unclaimed. I am a packer in a china house and have been placing these notes in every order to America in hopes that they might be seen by my brother or some one that knows him. Trusting that the person who finds this will convey any information which would aid me, I remain, very truly, Cora Bletzner, Carlsbad, Germany."—Philadelphia Record.

SOUTHWEST BREEZES.

Sarcasm is a rhetorical flower concealing a bee.

It disgusts us to see others doing the foolish things we do.

Every man who has great faith has great power for good.

An investment in knowledge always pays the best interest.

No man was ever converted while nursing an aching tooth.

A VANISHED CIVILIZATION.

Work Done by the Jesuits in South America.

The pioneers of civilization in South America were the Jesuits, says Lippincott's. Although their influence in any respects may not always have been what was most conducive to the prosperity of the new settlement, yet their mode of treating the natives was more humane and their plan for the development and progress of the country more advanced than any other attempt of that period. They sought to establish a permanent home for their sect with a wealth and splendor that would equal that of the old world and their work was characterized by prudence, industry and wisdom. Other settlers came only as fortune-hunting adventurers to enslave the natives, pillage the country and then return to their own land with ill-gotten gains. Monuments of the Jesuits still remain in churches, aqueducts, cities in ruins and the history of 100 prosperous missions; from the Amazon to Brazil's southern borders we see their signs.

The aqueducts of Bahia, the stone water dams on the rivers of Goyas, the crumbling ruins of almost every state of Brazil tell of the Jesuit occupation. Other settlers of that period left almost nothing behind them; their mission was to destroy, tear down and drive out the only element of good the country had, that they might establish the reign of terror, slavery and rapine that cursed the country so long.

TALMAGE'S SERMON.

'A KING EATING GRASS'—SUNDAY'S SUBJECT.

From the Text—"And He Was Driven from Men and Did Eat Grass as Oxen, and His Body Was Wet With Dew from Heaven."—Daniel 4:33.

BETTER shade your eyes lest they be put out with the splendor of Babylon, as some morning you walk out with Nebuchadnezzar on the suspension bridges which hang from the housetops, and he shows you the vastness of his realm. As the sun kindles the domes with glistening almost insufferable, and the great streets thunder up their pomp into the ear of the monarch, and armed towers stand around, adorned with the spoils of conquered empires, Nebuchadnezzar waves his hand above the stupendous scene and exclaims: "Is not this great Babylon that I have built for the house of the kingdom by the might of my power, and for the honor of my majesty?" But in an instant all that splendor is gone from his vision, for a voice falls from the heaven, saying, "O King Nebuchadnezzar, to thee it is spoken: The Kingdom is departed from thee; and they shall drive thee from men, and thy dwelling shall be with the beasts of the field; they shall make thee to eat grass as oxen, and seven years shall pass over thee, until thou knowest that the Most High ruleth in the kingdom of men, and giveth it to whomsoever he will." One hour from the time that he made the boast he is on the way to the fields, a maniac, and rushing into the forests he becomes one of the beasts, covered with eagles' feathers for protection from the cold, and his nails growing to birds' claws in order that he might dig the earth for roots and climb the trees for nuts.

You see there is a great variety in the Scriptural landscape. In several discourses we have looked at mountains of excellence, but now we look down into a great, dark chasm of wickedness as we come to speak of Nebuchadnezzar. God in His Word sets before us the beauty of self-denial, of sobriety, of devotion, of courage, and then, lest we should not thoroughly understand him, he introduced Daniel and Paul, and Deborah, as illustrations of those virtues. God also speaks to us in His Word as to the hatefulness of pride, of folly, of impiety, and lest we should not thoroughly understand him, introduces Nebuchadnezzar as the impersonation of these forms of depravity. The former style of character is a lighthouse, showing us a way into a safe harbor, and the latter style of character is a black buoy, swinging on the rocks, to show where vessels wreck themselves. Thanks unto God for both the buoy and the lighthouse! The host of Nebuchadnezzar is thundering at the gates of Jerusalem. The crown of that sacred city is struck into the dust by the hand of Babylonian insolence. The vessels of the temple, which had never been desecrated by profane touch, were ruthlessly seized for sacrilege and transportation. Oh, what a sad hour when those Jews, at the command of the invading army, are obliged to leave the home of their nativity! How their hearts must have been wrung with anguish, when, on the day they departed, they heard the trumpets from the top of the Temple announcing the hour for morning sacrifice and saw the smoke of the altars ascending around the holy hill of Zion, for well they knew that in a far distant land they would never hear that trumpet call, nor behold the majestic ascent of the sacrifice. Behold those captives on the road from Jerusalem to Babylon! Worn and weary, they did not dare halt, for roundabout are armed men, urging them on with hoot, and shout, and blasphemy. Aged men tottered along on their staves, weeping that they could not lay their bones in the sleeping-place of their fathers, and children wondered at the length of the way and sobbed themselves to sleep when the night had fallen. It seemed as if at every step a heart broke. But at a turn of the road Babylon suddenly springs upon the view of the captives, with its gardens and palaces. A shout goes up from the army as they behold their native city, but not one huzza is heard from the captives. These exiles saw no splendor there, for it was not home. The Euphrates did not have the water-cleam of the brook Kedron or the pool of Siloam. The willows of Babylon, on which they hung their untuned harps, were not as graceful as the trees which at the foot of Mount Moriah seemed to weep at the departed glory of Judah, and all the fragrance that descended from the hanging-gardens upon that great city was not so sweet as one breath of the acacia and frankincense that the high priest kindled in the sanctuary at Jerusalem.

On a certain night, a little while after these captives had been brought to his city, Nebuchadnezzar is seized with a night vision. A had man's pillow is apt to be stuffed with deeds and forebodings which keep talking in the night. He will find that the eagles' down in his pillow will stick him like porcupine quills. The ghosts of old transgressions are sure to wander about in the darkness and beckon and hiss. Yet when the morning came he found that the vision had entirely fled from him. Dreams drop no anchors, and therefore are apt to sail away before we can fasten them. Nebuchadnezzar calls all the wise men of the land into his presence, demanding that by their necromancy they explain his dream. They, of course, fail. Then their wrathful king issues an edict with a little sense as mercy, ordering the slaying of all the learned men of the country. But Daniel the prophet

comes in with the interpretation just in time to save the wise men and the Jewish captives.

My friends, do you not see that pride and ruin ride in the same saddle? See Nebuchadnezzar on the proudest throne of all the earth, and then see him graze with the sheep and the cattle! Pride is commander, well plumed and caparisoned, but it leads forth a dark and frowning host. The arrows from the Almighty's quiver are apt to strike a man when on the wing. Goliath shakes his great spear in defiance, but the smooth stones from the brook make him stagger and fall like an ox under the butcher's bludgeon. He who is down cannot fall. Vessels scudding under the bare poles do not feel the force of the storm, while those with all sails set capsize at the sudden descent of the tempest.

Remember that we can be as proud of our humilities as of anything else. Antisthenes walked the streets of Athens with a ragged cloak to demonstrate his humility, but Socrates declared he could see the hypocrisy through the holes in his cloak. We would all see ourselves smaller than we are if we were as philosophic as Severus, the emperor of Rome, who said at the close of his life: "I have been everything, and everything is nothing." And when the urn that was to contain his ashes was, at his command, brought to him, he said: "Little urn, thou shalt contain one for whom the world was too little."

Do you not also learn from the misfortune of the king of Babylon what a terrible thing is the loss of reason. There is no calamity that can possibly befall us in this world so great as derangement of intellect; to have the body of man, and yet to fall even below the instinct of a brute. In this world of horrible sights, the most horrible is the maniac's laugh. A vessel driven on the rocks, when hundreds go down never to rise, and other hundreds drag their mangled and shivering bodies upon the witer's beach, is nothing compared to the foundering of intellect full of vast hopes and attainments and capacities. Christ's heart went out toward those who were epileptic, falling into the fire, or maniacs cutting themselves among the tombs. We are accustomed to be more grateful for physical health than for the proper working of our mind. We are apt to take it for granted that the intellect which has served us so well will always be faithful. We forget that an engine of such tremendous power, where the wheels have such vastness of circle and such swiftness of motion, and the least impediment might put it out of gear, can only be kept in proper balance by a Divine hand. No human hand could engineer the train of immortal faculties. How strange it is that our memory, on whose shoulders all the misfortunes and successes and occurrences of a lifetime are placed, should not oftener break down, and that the scales of judgment, which have been weighing so much and so long, should not lose their adjustment, and that fancy, for the attainment of its objects, should not sometimes miscalculate, and bring into the heart forebodings and hallucinations the most appalling! Is it not strange that this mind, which hopes so much in its mighty leaps for the attainment of its objects, should not be dashed to pieces on its disappointments? Though so delicately tuned, this instrument of untold harmony plays on though fear shakes it and vexations rack it and sorrow and joy and loss and gain in quick succession beat out of it their dirge or loss from it their anthem. At morning and at night, when in your prayer you rehearse the cruises of your thanksgiving, next to the salvation by Jesus Christ, praise the Lord for the preservation of your reason.

See also in this story of Nebuchadnezzar the use God makes of bad men. The actions of the wicked are used as instruments for the punishment of wickedness in others or as the illustration of some principle in the Divine government. Nebuchadnezzar subserved both purposes. Even so I will go back with you to the history of every reprobate that the world has ever seen, and I will show you how to a great extent his wickedness was limited in its destructive power, and how God glorified himself in the overflow and disgrace of his enemy. Babylon is full of abomination, and wicked Cyrus destroys it. Persia fills the cup of its iniquity, and vile Alexander puts an end to it. Mædonius must be chastised, and bloody Emilius does it. The Bastille is to be destroyed, and corrupt Napoleon accomplishes it. Even so selfish and wicked men are often made to accomplish great and glorious purposes. Joseph's brethren were guilty of superlative perfidy and meanness when they sold him into slavery for about seven dollars, yet how they must have been overwhelmed with the truth that God never forsakes the righteous when they saw that he had become the prime minister of Egypt! Pharaoh oppresses the Israelites with the most diabolical tyranny, yet stand still and see the salvation of God. The plagues descend, the locusts the hail and the destroying angel, showing that there is a God who will defend the cause of his people, and finally, after the Israelites have passed through the parted sea, behold, in the wreck of the drowned army, that God's enemies are chaff in a whirlwind! In some financial panic the righteous suffered with the wicked. Houses and stores and shops in a night foundered on the rock of bankruptcy, and healthy credit without warning dropped dead in the street, and money ran up the long ladder of twenty-five per cent to laugh down upon those who could not climb after it. Dealers with pockets full of securities stood shouting in the deaf ears of banks. Men rushed down the streets with protected notes after them. Those who before found it hard to

spend their money were left without money to spend. Laborers went home for want of work, to see hunger in their chair at the table and upon the hearth. Winter blew his breath of frost through fingers of icicles, and sheriffs with attachments dug among the cinders of fallen storehouses, and whole cities joined in the long funeral procession, marching to the grave of dead fortunes and a fallen commerce. Verily, the righteous suffered with the wicked, but generally the wicked had the worst of it. Splendid estates that had come together through schemes of wickedness were dashed to pieces like a potter's vessel, and God wrote with letters of fire, amid the ruin and destruction of reputations and systems that were thought impregnable, the old-fashioned truth, which centuries ago he wrote in His Bible, "The way of the wicked he turneth upside down." As the stars of heaven are reflected from the waters of the earth, even so God's great and magnificent purposes are reflected back from the boiling sea of human passion and turmoil. As the voice of a sweet song uttered among the mountains may be uttered back from the cavernous home of wild beast and rocks split and thunder-scared, so the great harmonies of God's providence are rung back from the darkest caverns of this sin-struck earth. Sennacherib, an Abimelech, and Herod, and Judas, and Nero, and Nebuchadnezzar, though they struggled like beasts unbroken to the load, were put into a yoke, where they were compelled to help draw ahead God's great projects of mercy.

Again, let us learn the lesson that men can be guilty of polluting the sacred vessels of the temple and carrying them away to Babylon. The sacred vessels in the temple at Jerusalem were the cups and plates of gold and silver with which the rites and ceremonies were celebrated. The laying of heathen hands upon them and the carrying them off as spoils was an unbounded offense to the Lord of the temple. Yet Nebuchadnezzar committed this very sacrilege. Though that wicked king is gone, the sins he inaugurated walk up and down the earth, cursing it from century to century. The sin of desecrating sacred things is committed by those who on sacramental day take the communion cup, while their conversation and actions all show that they live down in Babylon. How solemn is the sacrament! It is a time for vows, a time for repentance, a time for faith. Sin stands near, with its fire split clouds, and Calvary, with its Victim. The Holy Spirit broods over the scene, and the glory of heaven seems to gather in the sanctuary. Vile indeed must that man be who comes in from his idols and unrepented follies to take hold of the sacred vessels of the temple. O, thou Nebuchadnezzar! Back with you to Babylon!

He who breaks the Sabbath not more certainly robs God than robs himself. Inevitably, continuous desecration of the sacred day ends either in bankruptcy or destroyed health. A great merchant said, "Had it not been for the Sabbath I have no doubt I should have been a maniac long ago." This remark was made in a company of merchants, and one of them said, "That corresponds with the experience of my friend, a great importer. He often said, 'The Sabbath is the best day of the week to plan successful voyages.' He has for years been in an insane hospital, and will probably die there."

Those also repeat the sin of Nebuchadnezzar who in any way desecrate the Holy Scriptures. There are men who use the Word of God as instrument of angry controversy. Bigots at heart, and zealots in the advocacy of their religious peculiarities, they meet other sects with the fury of a highwayman, thrusting them through and through with what they consider the sword of the Spirit. It is a wonder to me that some men were not made with horns to hook with, and hoofs to kick with, and with claws to grab with. What Christ said to rash Peter, when he struck off the ear of Malchus, he says to every controversialist: "Put up again thy sword into its place; for all they that take the sword shall perish with the sword."

Rev. Willard Jay met a countryman who said to him, "I was extremely alarmed this morning, sir. It was very foggy and I was going down to a lonely place and I thought I saw a strange monster. It seemed in motion, but I could not discern its form. I did not like to turn back, but my heart beat; and the more I looked the more I was afraid. But as I approached, it was a man and who do you think it was?" "I know not." "Oh, it was my brother John." Then Mr. Jay remarked, "It was early in the morning and very foggy, and how often do we thus mistake our Christian brethren."

Just in proportion as men are wrong will they be boisterous in their religious contentions. The lamb of religion is always gentle, while there is no lion so fierce as the roaring lion that goes about seeking whom he may devour. Let Gibraltar belch their war flame on the sea, and the Dardanelles darken the Hellespont with the smoke of their batteries, but forever and ever let there be good will among those who profess to be the subjects of the Gospel of gentleness. "Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace, good will to men."

What an embarrassing thing to meet in heaven if we have not settled our controversies on earth. So I give out for all people of all religions to sing, John Fawcett's hymn, in short metre, composed in 1772, but just as appropriate for 1897:

Best be the tie that binds
Our hearts in Christian love.
The fellowship of kindred minds
Is like to that above.

From sorrow, toil and pain,
And sin we shall be free,
And perfect love and friendship reign
Through all eternity.

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At an annual sweet-pea flower show in Massachusetts only a few more than 116 varieties of this pretty blossom were shown.

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The finished portion of the new congressional library at Washington has about forty-four miles of shelving, which will accommodate over two million volumes. The ultimate capacity of the building for books will be upward of 4,500,000 volumes, or nearly one hundred miles of shelving. In gratifying contrast to the usual result in the case of public buildings construction is that the total cost of the work will be less by \$140,000 than the limit fixed by congress.

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Little Billee—Aw, don't cher know, I am very proud of my descent. American Cousin—And I, of my ascent.—Up to Date.

Mr. David C. Oaks is proprietor of the well known hardware and paint shop at 230 East Main Street, Kalamazoo, Mr. Oaks has suffered a great deal from kidney ailments; he described his condition and cure as follows: "I had a bad, lame back, which I suppose was caused by my kidneys; was confined to my bed during bad attacks. I might say, from time to time, I have been that way for years. The urinary organism was affected, urine being scanty, highly colored, and difficult in passage. I was in a bad shape when I got a box of Doan's Kidney Pills, about which I had heard. I have used now two boxes of them, and the pills have removed all the pain and trouble. There was a marked improvement right from the first, and it has continued right along. Doan's Kidney Pills are the right thing in the right place."

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Some people suffer with headaches, many people are worn out and weary all the time, many more people have lame back and backache. Few people understand the real cause of their aches, and few yet know how easily they can find a cure. Just a word of explanation before we prove that what we say is true. The back is the key-note of the kidneys. Aches; that's a sign that the kidneys are not working properly; it is lame; another sign, the kidneys are out of order. The kidneys, you know, are the filters of the blood, and filters sometimes get clogged up. This means in their case that the blood courses through the entire system impregnated with poisonous uric acid, bringing on many a disorder which, if neglected, means "disease" and "incapable." And now about the cure:—Don't take our word for it; read other's say.

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THE TREASURE OF FRANCHARD.

BY ROBERT LOUIS STEVENSON.

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CHAPTER II.—(CONTINUED.)
The sound of his feet upon the causeway began the business of the day; for the village was still sound asleep. The church tower looked very airy in the sunlight; a few birds that turned about it seemed to swim in an atmosphere of more than usual rarity; and the Doctor, walking in long transparent shadows, filled his lungs amply, and proclaimed himself well contented with the morning.

On one of the posts before Tentallion's carriage entry he espied a little dark figure perched in a meditative attitude and immediately recognized Jean-Marie.

"Ah!" he said, stopping before him humbly, with a hand on either knee. "So we rise early in the morning do we? It appears to me that we have all the vices of a philosopher."

"The boy got to his feet and made a grave salutation."

"And how is our patient?" asked Desprez.

It appeared the patient was about the same.

"And why do you rise early in the morning?" he pursued.

Jean-Marie, after a long silence, confessed that he hardly knew.

"You hardly know?" repeated Desprez. "We hardly know anything, my man, until we try to learn. Interrogate your conscience, come, push me this inquiry home. Do you like it?"

"Yes," said the boy, slowly; "yes, I like it."

"And why do you like it?" continued the Doctor. "We are now pursuing the Socratic method. Why do you like it?"

"It is quiet," answered Jean-Marie; "and I have nothing to do; and then I feel as if I were good."

Doctor Desprez took a seat on the post at the opposite side. He was beginning to take an interest in the talk, for the boy plainly thought before he spoke, and tried to answer truly.

"It appears you have a taste for feeling good," said the Doctor. "Now, there you puzzle me extremely; for I thought you said you were a thief; and the two are incompatible."

"Is it very bad to steal?" asked Jean-Marie.

"Such is the general opinion, little boy," replied the Doctor.

"No; but I mean as I stole," exclaimed the other. "For I had no choice. I think it is surely right to have bread; it must be right to have bread, there comes so plain a want of it. And then they beat me cruelly if I returned with nothing," he added. "I was not ignorant of right and wrong; for before that I had been well taught by a priest, who was very kind to me." (The Doctor made a horrible grimace at the word "priest.") "But it seemed to me, when one had nothing to eat and was beaten, it was a different affair. I would not have stolen for tarts, I believe; but any one would steal for baker's bread."

"And so I suppose," said the Doctor, with a rising sneer, "you prayed God to forgive you, and explained the case to Him at length."

"Why, sir?" asked Jean-Marie. "I do not see."

"Your priest would see, however," retorted Desprez.

"Would he?" asked the boy, troubled for the first time, "I should have thought God would have known."

"Eh?" snarled the Doctor.

"I should have thought God would have understood me," replied the other. "You do not, I see; but then it was God that made me think so, was it not?"

"Little boy, little boy," said Doctor Desprez, "I told you already you had the vices of philosophy; if you display the virtues also, I must go. I am a student of the blessed laws of health, an observer of plain and temperate nature in her common walks; and I cannot preserve my equanimity in presence of a monster. Do you understand?"

"No, sir," said the boy.

"I will make my meaning clear to you," replied the Doctor. "Look here at the sky—behind the belfry first, where it is so light, and then up and up; turning your chin back, right to the top of the dome, where it is already as blue as at noon. Is not that a beautiful color? Does it not please the heart? We have seen it all our lives, until it has grown in with our familiar thoughts. Now, changing his tone, "suppose that sky to become suddenly of a live and fiery amber, like the color of clear coals, and growing scarlet toward the top—I do not say it would be gone. She had much of the placidity of a contented nun; with little of her plet, however; for Anastasie was of a very mundane nature, fond of oysters and old wine, and somewhat bold pleasantries, and devoted to her husband for her own sake rather than for his. She was imperiously good-natured, but had no idea of self-sacrifice. To live in that pleasant old house, with a green garden behind and bright flowers about the windows, to eat and drink of the best, to gossip with a neighbor for a quarter of an hour, never to wear stays or a dress except when she went to Fontainebleau shopping, to be kept in a continual supply of racy novels, and to be married to Doctor Desprez and have no ground of jealousy, filled the cup of her nature to the brim. Those who had known the Doctor in bachelor days, when he had aired quite as many

theories, but of a different order, attributed his present philosophy to the study of Anastasie. It was her brute enjoyment that he rationalized and perhaps vainly imitated.

Madame Desprez was an artist in the kitchen, and made coffee to a nicety. She had a knack of tidiness, with which she had infected the Doctor; everything was in its place; everything capable of polish shone gloriously; and dust was a thing banished from her empire. Alas, their single servant, had no other business in the world but to scour and burnish. So Doctor Desprez lived in his house like a fatted calf, warmed and cosseted to his heart's content.

The midday meal was excellent. There was a ripe melon, a fish from the river in a memorable Bearnaise sauce, a fat fowl in a fricassee, and a dish of asparagus, followed by some fruit. The Doctor drank half a bottle plus one glass, the wife half a bottle minus the same quantity, which was a marital privilege, of an excellent Cote-Rotie, seven years old. Then the coffee was brought, and a flask of Chartreuse for madame, for the Doctor despised and distrusted such decoctions; and then Aline left the wedded pair to the pleasures of memory and digestion.

"It is a very fortunate circumstance, my cherished one," observed the Doctor—"this coffee is adorable—a very fortunate circumstance upon the whole—Anastasie, I beseech you, go without that poison for to-day; only one day, and you will feel the benefit, I pledge my reputation."

"What is this fortunate circumstance, my friend?" inquired Anastasie, not heeding his protest, which was of daily recurrence.

"That we have no children, my beautiful," replied the Doctor. "I think of it more and more as the years go on, and with more and more gratitude toward the Power that dispenses such afflictions. Your health, my darling, my studious quiet, our little kitchen delicacies, how they would all have suffered, how they would all have been sacrificed! And for what? Children are the last word of human imperfection. Health flees before their face. They cry, my dear; they put vexatious questions; they demand to be fed, to be washed, to be educated, to have their noses blown; and then, when the time comes, they break our hearts, as I break this piece of sugar. A pair of professed egotists, like you and me, should avoid offspring, like an infidelity."

"Indeed!" said she; and she laughed. "Now, that is like you—to take credit for the thing you could not help."

"My dear," returned the Doctor, solemnly, "we might have adopted."

"Never!" cried madame. "Never, Doctor, with my consent. If the child were my own flesh and blood, I would not say no. But to take another person's indiscretion on my shoulders, my dear friend, I have too much sense."

"Precisely," replied the Doctor. "We both had. And I am all the better pleased with our wisdom, because—because—" He looked at her sharply.

"Because what?" she asked, with a faint premonition of danger.

"Because I have found the right person," said the Doctor firmly, "and shall adopt him this afternoon."

Anastasie looked at him out of a mist. "You have lost your reason," she said; and there was a clang in her voice that seemed to threaten trouble.

"Not so, my dear," he replied; "I retain its complete exercise. To the proof; instead of attempting to cloak my inconsistency, I have, by way of preparing you, thrown it into strong relief. You will there, I think, recognize the philosopher who has the ecstasy to call you wife. The fact is, I have been reckoning all this while without an accident. I never thought to find a son of my own. Now, last night, I found one. Do not unnecessarily alarm yourself, my dear; he is not a drop of blood to me that I know. It is his mind, darling, his mind that calls me father."

"His mind?" she repeated, with a twitter between scorn and hysterics. "His mind, indeed! Henri is this an idiotic pleasantry, or are you mad? His mind! And what of my mind?"

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

A Good Story.

The young postmaster of a village was hard at work in his office when a gentle tap was heard upon the door and in stepped a blushing maiden of 16, with a money order which she wished cashed. She handed it, with a bashful smile, to the official, who, after closely examining it, gave her the money it called for. At the same time he asked her if she had read what was written on the margin of the order.

"No, I have not," she replied, "for I cannot make it out. Will you please read it for me?"

The young postmaster read as follows: "I sent you 10s. and a dozen kisses."

Glaucing at the bashful girl he said: "Now, I have paid you the money and I suppose you want the kisses?"

"Yes," she said, "if he has sent me any kisses I want them, too."

It is hardly necessary to say that the balance of the order was promptly paid and in a scientific manner.

On reaching home the delighted maiden remarked to her mother: "Mother, this postoffice system of ours is a great thing, developing more and more every year, and each new feature seems to be the best. Jimmy sent me a dozen kisses along with the money order, and the postmaster gave me twenty. It beats the special delivery system all hollow."—Tid-Bits.

Lots of News.

Mrs. Gadabout: "What was the news at the sewing circle today, my dear?"

Mrs. Onthego: "Mrs. Buddins has a new cook, and Mrs. Remnant has the same one she got two days ago."—Philadelphia North American.

DAIRY AND POULTRY.

INTERESTING CHAPTERS FOR OUR RURAL READERS.

How Successful Farmers Operate This Department of the Farm—A Few Hints as to the Care of Live Stock and Poultry.

An exchange of the Farmers' Review publishes the following: "Prof. McFadden, a prominent Scotch veterinarian, in the discussion following a paper read by him at the Newcastle Farmers' Club on the subject of tuberculosis, stated his belief that 999 human beings out of every 1,000 that became affected by tuberculosis are infected from tuberculosis human beings. The hubbub raised about the danger resulting from tuberculosis milk is largely bosh. So long as the country is filled with consumptive people expectorating tubercle germs everywhere it seems hardly worth while to spend any great sums of money to prevent the possibility of spreading the disease through dairy products. The chance of becoming affected in this way is almost infinitesimal as compared with the liability resulting from constant association with tuberculous people. Calves, fed exclusively on milk, even in herds known to be seriously affected, rarely contract the disease until they are shut up in the stable with tuberculous animals. Nearly always, apparently, the disease is contracted through the lungs and not through the stomach."

The Farmers' Review regards the above as poor logic. In the first place, if it were true that the danger is small, there would yet be no reason why it

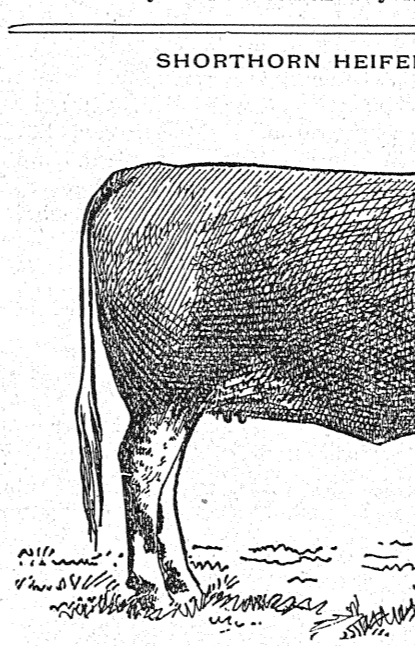
When stock is frozen in natural outdoor temperature the cases may be filled at once when the thermometer is below zero, but if above zero only one layer should be frozen at a time. Use no packing material whatever, and be sure to protect from wind while freezing. When solid frozen the stock should be put away and kept where it will not thaw out, preferably in cold storage. When the poultry is to be frozen artificially the cases may be filled full and placed at once in the freezer. In this case it is well to construct the cases so that a slit in the sides of the box may be removed and left off until the stock is solid frozen; the quicker the freezing the better. In the freezer the cases should be separated by slats to permit free circulation of air around them. Some packers get excellent results by freezing the poultry separately and packing after frozen. Some of the very finest frozen poultry is handled in this way at near-by points, and is not packed at all until ready for market, when it is packed in straw and shipped for immediate sale before warm weather. But for large lots, sent from a distance, which have to be placed in storage again upon arrival in market, it is best to pack in cases before freezing.

All-the-Year Creameries.

On operating creameries a gentleman says: "A man who runs a creamery for only five months in the year will find his patrons becoming thoroughly dissatisfied with the receipts from their cows. It cannot pay a man to feed cows for twelve months from which he obtains cream for only five months; and the man who runs a creamery can never afford to make a profit out of the losses of his patrons. Put that down as a solid fact. And the man who furnishes skill and helps to make the profit of his patrons larger, will get a larger share for himself. If a man, running a creamery will try and extend the manufacturing season for a few months more he will find he will get so little cream that the running expenses will run away with

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should be ignored. We, however, fall to see that the danger is small. A tuberculous animal is, if affected in the lungs, constantly throwing off consumptive spores. These at first are moist and do not blow about, but in time they get dry and become a part of the dust, rising often from the barn floor and seeking the lungs of the animals and of the workers about the barns. The same is true of the pastures where the cows summer. The germs become dry and are blown about by every breeze. They can not only get into the lungs of the animals, but of the people passing along the roads. In a thousand ways people are exposed. The milk is a dangerous medium of infection where the udder is affected by tuberculosis. It was formerly supposed that consumption showed itself only in the lungs, but it is now known that it takes possession of other organs of the body, and sometimes even establishes itself in the joints. Therefore it is not apparent always that a person has become infected, even when they are far gone with the disease. The healthy people may be able to throw off these germs, but partial invalids fall an easy prey. By all means continue the war against tuberculosis, both in animals and humans.

Frozen Poultry.

Poultry frozen during the winter as a means of preserving it for later use should always be dry picked, says a writer in the New York Produce Review. Only the very choicest goods should be selected for this purpose, and extraordinary care must be taken that the stock be thoroughly cold and dry when packed. The treatment varies according to circumstances of weather, etc. Probably the best results are obtained when the stock can be frozen by natural outdoor temperature. But in seasons and localities where this is impossible the freezer may be used successfully. Cases only should be used, made of planed, well seasoned lumber. For old tom turkeys the size is 36x22x18 inches, and for young toms 36x22x15 inches; these should be of inch lumber. For chickens, ducks and geese the size is 36x20x10 about ten inches (or deep enough to allow for two layers) of self-sacrifice, five-eighths inch lumber. Two layers of poultry should be packed in each case. Stow the poultry snugly and closely, striving to have as regular and handsome appearance as possible. Turkeys should be packed backs up and legs out straight. Chickens, ducks and geese should have the breasts down on the bottom layer and up on the top layer. Pack old toms separately and never mix them with young toms and hens, and never pack old fowls and young chickens together. Each should be packed separately and the kind neatly stenciled on the outside of the case.

Coughing Leads to Consumption.

Kemp's Balsam will stop the cough at once. Go to your druggist today and get a sample bottle free. Large bottles, 25 cents and 50 cents. Go at once; delays are dangerous.

In bumping around a man strikes many a trail that he recognizes.

The only remedy in the world that will at once stop itching of the skin in any part of the body, that is absolutely safe and never-failing, is Doan's Ointment. Get it from your dealer.

Never steal your neighbor's good name even if yours is worn out.

Physicians recommend Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup because of its prompt, positive action in all cases of lung trouble. It is a positively reliable cure for coughs and colds.

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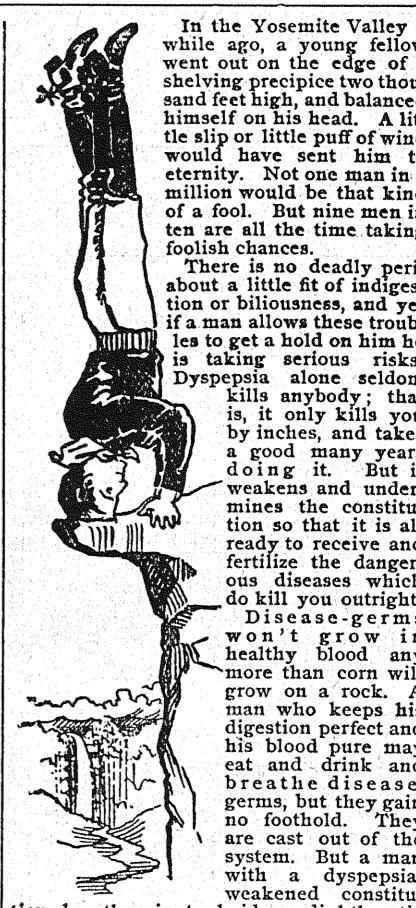
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In the Yosemite Valley a while ago, a young fellow went out on the edge of a shelving precipice two thousand feet high, and balanced himself on his head. A little slip or little puff of wind would have sent him to eternity. Not one man in a million would be that kind of fool. But mine men in taking serious risks, Dyspepsia alone seldom kills anybody; that is, it only kills you by inches, and takes a good many years doing it. But it weakens and hinders the constitution so that it is all the more dangerous. Diseases which do kill you outright. Diseases which won't grow in healthy blood any more than corn will grow on rock. A man who keeps his digestion perfect and breathes disease germs, but they gain no foothold. They are cast out of the system. But a man whose blood is weakened constitutes a germ and down he goes.

The best health insurance a man can have is Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. It acts directly on the stomach and liver, it gives the blood-making organs power to make healthy blood. It clarifies the blood of all impurities, and builds up the healthy flesh, muscular power and nerve energy, which fortifies you in all cases of chronic diseases has given Dr. Pierce's medicines a world-wide reputation. His "Pleasant Pellets" cure constipation.

Geo. Edward Butler, the famous Australian murderer, was captured when the ship Swanhilda arrived at San Francisco. Butler is charged by the Australian police with having murdered 14 men. His plan was to entice men whom he knew to have money into the interior under the pretense of examining mining claims and then murdering them.

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All the Chit-Chat From the County Round About Briefly Told For Busy Readers.

RESUME.

Did you get a valentine? Rev. Cook was confined to his home last Sunday by a severe illness.

The small boy and the fool killer were supremely happy last Monday displaying and sending comic valentines. We were well supplied and wish those who so kindly remembered us a long life and a merry one.

We had the pleasure last Sunday of hearing the eloquent Levi Muma, the Free Methodist divine, deliver one of his inimitable sermons at the school house to a large and deeply interested congregation. Unless all signs fail the near future will see a new name in the front ranks equal to a Beecher or Spurgeon. At present he is stirring up the entire community by his wonderful eloquence and earnestness.

NOVESTA.

Wm. Justin, Sr., is on the sick list at present.

Mr. and Mrs. Cushman returned to their home in Otisville Saturday.

J. Jacoby has moved on the McPhee farm which he has leased for a term of years.

Wm. Little is attending Circuit Court in Caro this week as juror from this place.

E. Houghton was in the vicinity of Gageton last week delivering enlarged photographs for the Michigan Art Company.

A. McPhee, King of Snore Island has moved to the DeLong Castle on the southwest part of the island where he expects to remain for some time.

Several from here attended the I. O. F. dedication at Cass City Friday evening and report a good time.

Camp Elm has nearly completed lumbering for this winter as they have most of their logs piled up at the gravel pit where they will cut them into stave bolt lengths and ship them to Wilmot to their stave mill there.

KINGSTON.

W. F. English visited Sanilac Centre Saturday.

N. H. Burns transacted business in Caro Saturday.

D. A. Millikin called on Kingston friends last week.

Mrs. W. B. Predmore is visiting Kingston friends.

W. R. Hamilton and wife returned Tuesday from their visit at Durand.

Mrs. Scott is visiting at her daughter's, Mrs. Geo. Calder's.

A load of young people from here attended Mr. Monson's concert at Silverwood Tuesday evening.

Samuel Callaway has opened a meat market next to Mr. Bartholomew's hardware store where he will be glad to see all.

Mr. Miller and family from Gaylord, (A. B. Payne's son-in-law) have moved into the south one of Mr. Thomas' houses on Pine St.

Thomas Avery, Sr., who has been sick for a few weeks past, died Saturday last and the funeral was held at the Baptist church Monday.

Frank Thomas reports one of his Plymouth Rock pullets as laying an egg that measured 8 inches around one way, and 9 inches the other and weighed 6 oz. Next!

Friday evening, while jumping on sleighs, Floyd Hopps got run over by Mr. Allen's team and heavy sleighs but escaped unhurt. This should be a warning to others to keep out of the streets.

While some are of the opinion that prosperity is not returning to this country as fast as it ought Mr. Geo. Calder, of this village, is firmly convinced that it has returned to his family as his wife presented him with twins on Jan. 15th—a boy and girl. Mother and children are all doing well.

Elkland and Elmwood Town Line.

T. J. Nash has finished hauling ice. Mrs. Rowell, who has been sick, is now improving.

Frank Morford, of Unionville, visited at A. Randall's last week.

Quite a number from here attended the lecture on Wednesday last.

Miss Jessie Allen commenced working at Wm. Wickware's last week.

Miss Alice Wells called on Miss Frances Martus Sunday evening.

Miss Libbie Randall, of Reece, made a short visit at her home here last week.

Misses Carrie Fenn and Hattie Wood called on Miss Libbie Randall last Friday.

Misses Susanna McBurney and Lottie Randall made a business trip to Caro last week.

A large number from here attended the oyster supper and lecture at Cass City last Friday evening.

ELMWOOD.

F. W. Burnett is visiting in Grant this week.

Mrs. Leach is improving in health this week.

Where's the man who proposed a hard winter?

Mrs. C. Mullins started Tuesday for Delaware, Ont.

H. Bailey is the father of another boy, born last week.

Florence Webster visited in Greenleaf part of last week.

R. W. Stone returned home from Battle Creek last week.

R. Webster visited at his brother's at Grant on Tuesday.

Miss Louisa Leach was home from Caro on Sunday.

W. A. Lockwood's and W. Shafer's were in Grant on Sunday.

A. J. Spittler started on Tuesday morning for Bothwell, Ont.

Mabel Baxter, of Greenleaf, is visiting at R. Webster's at present.

W. A. Lockwood is having a well put down. M. King is doing the work.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Whittell and H. Whittell started for Bothwell, Ont., on Tuesday.

W. Ostrander came home Tuesday and held meeting in the school house in the evening.

This being my last item for some time I wish to thank the editor and brother scribes for the many kind words and acts while acting as correspondent for about four years. May you all prosper.

ARGYLE.

Did you get a valentine? W. D. Striffler is on the sick list.

Miss Christina Striffler, of Cass City, Sundayed at Argyle.

Hear, Oh! Hear the sleigh bells jingle. What a merry, merry time."

Sam Striffler, of Cass City, was the guest of Striffler Bros. last Sunday.

Abraham Lincoln's birthday was fittingly observed by our school last Friday.

Will Zinnecker and sister Anna of Cass City, visited friends in Argyle last week.

Bert Armstead who has been working in a saw mill near Mooretown, is sick with typhoid fever.

H. Buchner's house caught fire last week, but luckily the flames were soon quenched and but little damage was done.

Dr. McNaughton now draws the ribbons over a beautiful span of blacks which he purchased last week of Mr. Springstead, of South Argyle.

The young people of the R. C. church have procured a music teacher from Oxford, Oakland Co., and are meeting at the church every night to take singing lessons.

Mrs. G. Powell, of this place, went to Silverwood last week where she underwent a successful operation upon her foot. She was doing nicely when last heard from and she many friends here hope she may speedily recover.

John McPhail has purchased the house and lot formerly owned by Striffler Bros., and is fitting it up for his new stock of undertaking. The people of this vicinity gladly welcome him, knowing him to be an enterprising as well as a strictly honest young man.

On Wednesday of last week Emery Peters, of Argyle, and Miss A. Cutting, from near Wickware, were joined in the holy bands of matrimony, and are now cozily settled in their new hotel. Their many friends wish them a long and happy life with not a cloud to darken the sunshine of their home.

Last Thursday evening white Mr. and Mrs. Stevenson were on their way to visit a sick friend, Mr. Stevenson on looking back saw flames coming through the roof of their house. Naturally the visit was postponed and with a great deal of hard work they soon had the fire under control. The fire was caused by a defective chimney.

BEFORD.

Sunday was a blizzardy day. Mrs. Sim Pratt is much better.

Our minister's family is better. James Valentine is resting up for spring.

Arthur VanBlaricon has a span of horses.

Getting up the wood pile is the order of the day.

Dave McCracken was nursing a lame leg last week.

Potato business lively. New buyers on the ground.

Sickness at A. Lewis's last week. Better at present.

Clark Conriss and wife are visiting at Columbiaville this week.

Goldie, daughter of Geo. Martin, was on the sick list for the past week.

Cy Huffman and family, of Wells, visited on the town line on Sunday.

Camp Lee, Novesta, is rounding up business and preparing to ship by rail to Wilmot.

Benjamin Sharp has been sick for two weeks past. He has so far recovered as to be out on fine days.

A whooping cough without a whoop in it is one of the strange diseases among the people this winter.

Rabbit hunting with youths that ought to be hunting an education is one of the mistakes at this age. The mistake will be seen and regretted in days to come.

We hear there is to be a change of millers at the city of Wilmot. Billie Ford has been at Wilmot several years and will go away with as good a name as a miller as any man that stays the same number of years.

WEST ELMWOOD.

Miss Minnie Cross is ill with la grippe.

M. A. Smith was in Gageton on business the 12th.

John L. Winchester was in Caro on business the 13th.

Quite a number from this vicinity attended the gold medal contest at Ellington.

Miss Cordelia Cross, two nieces and Wm. Scriber and wife visited at H. R. Perry's on the 12th.

In our imagination we hear wedding bells in the air. That's right Tommy. We shall expect an invitation to the wedding.

The M. P. Ladies' Aid met at Mrs. Robt. McCreedy's Wednesday, Feb. 10. A ten cent dinner was served. Proceeds, \$3.10.

A site has been secured on the corner of Sec. 32 for an M. P. church and several teams are busily engaged hauling stone for the basement.

At the contest for the gold medal at the M. E. church Ellington, our Elmwood contestant failed to receive the prize; but we understand she came in second.

The Sunday School at Sunshine school house is in a thriving condition. Much credit is due our superintendent J. Greenwood, for the great interest he takes in the work.

The exhibition at Sunshine school house spoken of in our last issue was postponed a week owing to the teachers' being sent to Vassar as a delegate to the republican convention.

Stands at the Head.

Aug. J. Bogel, the leading druggist of Shreveport, La., says: "Dr. King's New Discovery is the only thing that cures my cough, and it is the best seller I have." J. F. Campbell, merchant of Safford, Ariz., writes: "Dr. King's New Discovery is all that is claimed for it; it never fails, and is a sure cure for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. I cannot say enough for its merits." Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds is not an experiment. It has been tried for a quarter of a century, and to-day stands at the head. It never disappoints. Free trial bottles at T. H. Fritz's Drug Store.

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PENINSULA MATTERS

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Serious Error of the '95 Legislature—Lake and River Improvements Completed by Uncle Sam—Federation of Labor to Boycott Prison Goods.

Michigan Crop Report.

The February crop report says that the ground in southern Michigan was slightly covered with snow much of the time during January, but not sufficiently at all times to afford full protection to the wheat. In reply to the question, "Has wheat during January suffered injury from any cause?" 130 correspondents in the southern counties answer "yes" and 360 "no"; in the central counties 64 correspondents answer "yes" and 94 "no," and in the northern counties 33 answer "yes" and 66 "no." The total number of bushels of wheat reported marketed by farmers in January is 616,532, and in the six months, August-January, 6,305,775, the latter amount being \$1,949 bushels more than reported marketed in the same months last year. The condition of live stock is about 97 per cent, the comparison being with stock in good, healthy and thrifty condition.

McKinley's Narrow Escape.

Now that the electoral vote has been counted and McKinley and Hobart officially declared elected it has become known that the legislature of 1895 in passing the law providing for a board of county canvassers, failed to make provision for the canvassing of votes cast for presidential electors. This discrepancy was not discovered until the legislature had adjourned, and Gov. Rich and a few other officials agreed that an extra session would be too expensive, so they swore to secrecy. Very fortunately the error was not discovered by an enemy to McKinley, but those in the secret were in constant fear lest it should be. Had the election been close this error might have proven costly to McKinley.

Uncle Sam's Expenditures in Michigan.

The sundry civil appropriation bill now before congress contains the following items of interest to Michigan: An additional light on shore to serve as a range at the Grand Marais harbor of refuge light station, \$2,000; for completing the construction of two first-class revenue steamers for service on the great lakes, \$200,000; for the Northville fish culture station, salaries, etc., \$4,980; for the Alpena fish culture station, salaries, etc., \$1,920; for completing the improvement of the channel connecting the waters of the Great Lakes between Chicago, Detroit and Buffalo, \$1,000,000; for improving the waterway from Keweenaw bay to Lake Superior, \$400,000.

A Mother's Heroism.

Mrs. H. Kirke White, wife of the editor of the Owosso Press, was severely injured by a passenger train on the D. G. H. & M. at Burton. Mrs. White intended to take the train home with her 5-year-old son, who fell into a cattle guard on the way to the depot. The mother saw the approaching train, and just had time to pull the boy from the cattle guard and pitch him into the ditch, when she was struck in the back and thrown from the track. At Owosso it was found that her injuries were confined to severe bruises and that she will recover. The child was also severely bruised.

Labor Will Boycott Prison Goods.

The executive board of the Michigan Federation of Labor met at Lansing and carried out part of the program to hasten legislation for abolishing convict labor in prisons, when it comes into contact with free labor. A formal boycott was declared against the Brook-Buffington Shirt Co., of Albany, N. Y., which has a contract for manufacturing shirts at the prison. The board is having a circular printed and mailed to labor organizations and retail shirt dealers throughout the United States. The chairs manufactured by the Detroit house of correction will also be boycotted.

Lumberman Killed.

Frank Shabroski died at St. Mary's hospital, Saginaw, of injuries received while working in John Hudson's lumber camp near Pinconning. He was engaged with other men in loading a car, when one of the logs started to roll. Shabroski tried to get out of the way and jumped to the ground, striking on a cant hook, which penetrated his groin to the depth of 14 inches, striking his backbone. His home was in Charlestown township, Sanilac county.

Babe Burned to Death.

A mysterious explosion, followed by a fire, destroyed the little cottage on the Emerson road, Springwells, occupied by the family of Stephen Kogulski, at 2:30 a. m. Michael 2 years old, was burned to death and the other members of the family were injured. Mary, the oldest daughter, being most severely burned about the entire body. Little hope is entertained for her recovery.

Samuel Orton lost his \$1,500 home by fire at Bangor.

John Gannon, aged 50, a shoemaker of Saginaw, was arrested on a charge of luring young girls into his shop and taking indecent liberties with them. John Lamers, aged 82, died suddenly at Holland a short time before the funeral of his aged wife. They had often expressed a desire to die together. The Michigan Equal Suffrage association is sounding the legislature with regard to the advisability of introducing an equal suffrage bill this session. A banquet given by Jackson citizens to officials of the C. J. & M., and delegates from the Cincinnati chapter of commerce, was attended by 150 people.

THE TWO PENINSULAS.

The fine residence of R. S. Miner was destroyed by fire at Muskegon. Loss \$4,500, insurance \$2,500. Twenty coal miners have been imported from Ohio to take the place of the strikers at the Monitor coal mines near Bay City.

Miss Evangeline Leverage, of Charcoal Corners, Hillsdale county, fell while skating and swallowed her false teeth. Fears are entertained for her recovery.

The mines on the Menominee range have reduced wages 10 to 20 per cent and a strike may result. At the same time the strikers at Norway want to return to work, but were refused.

State O. I. Inspector McMillan has paid into the state treasury \$11,625.75, the net profits of his office during 1896, after paying salaries and expenses. His deputies inspected 18,250,000 gallons.

The farm residences of Will Smith and George Tuller, of Boston township, and W. A. Lee, of Berlin, Ionia county, were destroyed by fire in one night. They were all insured in the Farmers' Mutual.

The farm house of the Fence River Logging Co., with other buildings, nine miles from Menominee, has burned. Loss, \$8,000. Several farm hands were hurt in jumping from the roof.

A 3-year-old daughter of John Causey, of Bay City, swallowed a tin watch attached to a piece of candy. The watch cannot be removed, except by an operation, and is almost sure to cause blood poisoning.

The Detroit & Mackinac has purchased depot grounds at Posen, from which place the proposed road to Cheboygan will be built so as to take in Rogers City and the shore towns, with a branch to Rainy lake.

"Aunt Nuby," a colored woman, almost 100 years old, was found in her miserable hut at Bangor, frozen to death. She lay beside the stove and a few burnt pieces of paper indicated that she had attempted to light a fire.

The court house was filled at Big Rapids with creditors of the Mecosta County Savings bank, who roasted the management of the defunct bank and called the officials very ugly names and voted to start an official investigation.

A. D. Ackles, an old resident of Parma, and a war veteran was found hanging from a rafter in an old house adjoining his residence. He has been working for an increase of pension, and it is supposed the failure to get it unbalanced his mind.

Wm. Thurston, a veteran at the Soldiers' home at Grand Rapids, died suddenly. A postmortem examination disclosed a bullet in his lungs wrapped in a piece of cloth which was forced through the flesh with the bullet. He had carried it for 30 years.

A score or more accidents occurred at Bay City on account of icy walks. Mrs. H. W. Wright, wife of the mayor, has been injured internally. Roswell Wands strained the ligaments in his chest, so that he is very ill, and Isaac Elbing fractured a knee cap.

Joseph Omslicker, a farmer five miles south of St. Joseph, is said to have found \$10,000 while digging a cellar for a new house. The money was in a rusty iron box and consisted mostly of gold coin. It is said the money was buried by an Indian chief 35 years ago, to prevent it being stolen.

Supervisor Samborn, of Alpena county, has presented to Auditor-General Dix the claim of that county for a deficit of \$11,200, the amount of taxes erroneously charged between 1891 and 1896, owing to the error of the state board of equalization of 1891 in adding the personal assessment of the county twice.

The annual meeting of the state association of Mutual Fire insurance companies was held at Lansing with some 40 delegates present. The feature of the reports made by delegates is the unusually large percentage of losses caused by lightning, in many counties the lightning losses exceeding those from other causes.

The people of school district No. 1, Algoma township, Kent county, are divided over the question of holding religious services in the school house. One faction is holding revival services every night and the others have tried repeatedly to break up the services, but did not succeed until they turned a skunk loose during a service. Prosecutions will probably follow.

Marshal Peterson, of Ann Arbor, and two deputies arrested Wm. Larkins, Ed Lyons and Rupert Jones, all of Plymouth, on the charge of robbing and murdering James Richards, the hermit farmer who lived between Plymouth and Ypsilanti, on Jan. 30. None of the accused can give an accurate account of his whereabouts on the night of the murder. They are each about 23 years of age and live at Plymouth.

Republicans are trying to oust Darius A. Babcock, Jr., treasurer of St. Joseph county, because the name on the ballot was simply Darius A. Babcock, without the "Jr." It is maintained that if any Babcock was elected, it must have been the father. The Democrats, however, reply that "Jr." is not a legal part of the name, and that those who piled up a big majority, knew whom they were voting for.

Charles A. Jackson, superintendent of the Jackson (Mich.) Paper Manufacturing Co., committed suicide at the Cosmopolitan house, New Orleans, La. He turned on the gas in the bath room, and stuffed strips of paper into the crevices of the door and windows so as to prevent the escape of gas. Jackson was about 35 years of age, was well thought of at his home, but was a morphine fiend and was on a spree when he suicided. His father was a pioneer Michigan legislator.

Dividends of 20 per cent have been declared to creditors of the First National bank of Mt. Pleasant.

DAILY DOINGS OF CONGRESS.

SENATE—44th day—Senator Morgan, the champion of the Nicaragua canal bill, announced his abandonment of that measure for the present session of congress and thereupon it was displaced by the bankruptcy bill. Mr. Morgan gave notice that he would renew his advocacy of the bill at an early day of the coming extra session. He bitterly criticised British opposition to the canal. The agricultural appropriation bill was passed, at \$3,255,500, but it led to a lively debate in which Secretary Morton was sharply criticised by Senators Vest, Chandler, Tillman and others. Mr. Tillman, of South Carolina, called up the bill limiting the effect of the federal laws on the liquor traffic so as to give each state absolute control of the subject. Tillman and the bill were bitterly condemned by several Senators. House—The House passed the Senate bill prohibiting the carrying of obscene matter by express companies. JOINT SESSION—The Senators at the close of their session marched over to the hall of representatives and the two houses of congress then assembled in joint session and with much formality proceeded with the count of the electoral vote of the United States. Following is the vote as officially announced: McKinley, 271; Cleveland, 105; Bryan, 176; vice-president, Hobart, 271; Sewall, 149; Watson, 27.

SENATE—45th day—The arbitration treaty in executive session occupied the major portion of another day, and Senators Turpie, of Indiana, and Morgan, of Alabama, advocating and opposing the measure, respectively, filled in the executive session. House—The fortifications appropriation bill was passed and some headway was made with the postoffice appropriation bill. But the larger portion of the day was consumed in a political debate on the financial question, which was precipitated by an innocent provision in a bill providing for funding the debt of the territories. The bill aroused the opposition of Mr. McMillin, of Tennessee, because it provided for gold bonds and the payment of interest in gold or its equivalent. After a lengthy discussion Mr. McMillin's amendment, making the territorial bonds outside of the gold-bearing debentures already issued by Arizona, payable in "lawful money of the United States," was adopted by a vote of 149 to 7, and the bill passed.

SENATE—46th day—A resolution presented by Mr. Hill, of New York, was passed, requesting the secretary of state to use his good offices in behalf of Correspondent Sewell, imprisoned by the Spanish in Cuba, to secure his removal to Havana and "to insist that he shall have all the rights and privileges secured to American citizens by treaty between Spain and the United States." Mr. Morgan, of Alabama, introduced a joint resolution to the effect that the Clayton-Bulwer treaty between Great Britain and the United States be abrogated. The discussion of the arbitration treaty in executive session occupied the rest of the day. House—The postoffice appropriation bill was passed, carrying \$95,435,714.

SENATE—47th day—The arbitration treaty was before the Senate all day to the exclusion of other matters. House—The sundry civil appropriation bill was under consideration and afforded Messrs. Sayers, of Texas; Dockery, of Missouri, and other Democratic members an opportunity to arraign this congress for the enormous appropriations which have been made and which, they predict, will aggregate \$1,050,000,000. Speaker Reed was exonerated from all responsibility in the matter and a political debate was occasioned which took up nearly the entire day. Rep. Cummings, of New York, introduced a resolution requesting the secretary of state to give any information he may have regarding the stripping of three lady passengers on board the U. S. mail steamship Olivetta in the harbor of Havana by Spanish soldiers and detectives. Mr. Cummings said: "If an English woman on an English vessel had been stripped by Spanish officials as it has been alleged that an American woman was stripped, within 48 hours Moro castle would come down or some apology would be made for it."

SENATE—48th day—Mr. Morgan, of Alabama, called up his resolution to abrogate the Clayton-Bulwer treaty. Mr. Sherman tried to prevent it, and Vice-President Stevenson maintained Mr. Sherman's points of order. Then Mr. Morgan declared he was being "victimized" by the chair and a lively tilt ensued, but Mr. Morgan carried his point. The Senate went into executive session for three hours after which the bankruptcy bill was under consideration on the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill was agreed to. A further conference on the agricultural appropriation bill was directed. House—The sundry civil appropriation bill, carrying \$50,644,743, was passed under suspension of the rules. Several other bills were passed in the same way, notably, appropriating \$250,000 to close the crevasse in the Pass l'Outre at the mouth of the Mississippi river which threatened to destroy navigation at that point; to equip the National Guard with uniform Springfield rifles, 45 caliber; authorizing the secretary of the navy to transport from the Pacific coast contributions to the famine sufferers of India.

Reports from the south of Russia tell of terrible suffering from famine among the peasants, who are eating horses and rats to keep alive.

The L. E. & St. L. railroad shops at Princeton, Ind., were completely destroyed by fire, and 200 men are thrown out of employment. Loss \$200,000.

A three-story building on Euclid avenue, Cleveland, occupied by J. T. Wamelink, piano dealer; Joseph Nierdinger, gent's furnisher; and G. H. Chandler & Co., grocers, was almost destroyed by fire. The total loss will reach \$100,000.

EUROPE AFLAME.

GREECE AND TURKEY ABOUT TO GO TO WAR.

The Powers are Trying to Prevent a Clash—Greece Sends Warships and Troops to Help the Insurgents in Crete.

The conflict between Greece and Turkey seems to be rapidly approaching. The Christian insurgents in Island of Crete are throwing off the yoke of the Mohammedan rule of the barbarous Turks and Greece is evidently determined to help them gain their freedom if possible. The Grecian torpedo flotilla, commanded by Prince George started for Crete amidst great enthusiasm on the part of the people. Prince George admitted that his orders were to prevent by every means possible the landing of any Turkish troops on the island of Crete. The prince had a very affecting interview with his family before leaving for Crete. It develops that it was the king who urged the government to dispatch the flotilla, and as soon as he had obtained the consent of Premier Deliyannis, he personally issued the orders in order to give additional effect to the proposals. When Prince George embarked, a salute of 300 shots was fired by the crowd ashore as a parting salutation and the people assembled at midnight at the palace and gave their majesties an ovation. The British sailors cheered the Greek troops, just as they were starting for Crete. A fresh flotilla of four torpedo boats is held in readiness at Athens to sail for Crete and reinforcements of troops are being hurriedly dispatched to the frontier. The departure of the first flotilla has aroused the greatest enthusiasm in the provinces. Patriotic demonstrations are taking place in all parts of Greece.

A dispatch from Athens says that the central Cretan committee in Greece is preparing to support the Cretans with arms, ammunition and supplies on a great scale. The first installment has already sailed with 600 armed Cretans. The same dispatch says that the departure of the Greek torpedo flotilla for the island of Crete was due to the announcement that Turkish torpedo boats had left the Dardanelles and that Turkish troops had embarked at Salonika for Crete. Nobody seems to doubt a clash at arms will occur between Greece and Turkey, unless the powers intervene; but it is believed here that Greece will give a free hand Crete and that if she succeeds in annexing that island her right to do so will not be questioned by the rest of Europe. The ports are understood to have appealed to the powers to restrain Greece in this emergency, but nothing further is known of the policy Turkey is adopting; though it is reported that a large force of Turkish troops is assembling at Salonika for embarkation for Crete; that there is great activity in military circles on the Turkish frontier and that a portion of the Turkish fleet is being prepared for active service.

Advices from Constantinople say that there is a disposition in official circles to hold the powers responsible for any action that may happen in Crete. The sultan has been prevailed upon by the ambassadors to refrain from sending reinforcements to Crete and he has the assurance that the powers have decided to not permit the landing of Greek troops on the island. But the ports has informed the powers that if they are unsuccessful in preventing Greek intervention in Crete the Turkish government will be compelled to begin military operations on the Thessalia frontier; or in other words, Turkey will declare war against Greece and promptly invade that country.

The situation on the island of Crete is serious, indeed. The insurgents have gained control of the whole island with the exception of the larger towns and have formed a provisional government. It is said that the Greek warships have landed a quantity of arms, ammunition and provisions and at least one body of troops in spite of the warships present to prevent it. Conflicts are reported from many parts of the island. The captain of the Greek warship off Ieraklion threatened to bombard the town if the Mohammedans commit any outrages in that vicinity.

Secretary Carlisle has decided to locate permanently in New York City, where he will practice law.

Three men—Andrew Wilson, Preston Hall and Harry Brown—went on a spree in Pike county, Ky., and in crossing Big Sandy river on their horses all three were drowned.

The Washington and Lee university at Lexington, Va., has elected Hon. Wm. L. Wilson, the present postmaster-general, to be president of that institution. It is understood that Mr. Wilson will accept.

Notwithstanding Gen. Weyler's reports that he has subdued Pinar del Rio province there are at least 5,000 insurgents there, fully equipped, and they are making it very interesting for the Spaniards.

Marshal Campos has expressed his willingness to resume command in Cuba if it is desired by the Spanish government. He says he is in accord with the proposed reforms.

The Chicago Journal is authority for the statement that \$15,000,000 worth of Cuban bonds have been disposed of in the United States. They are to be paid in gold 10 years after the evacuation of the island by the Spanish forces. The price paid was 50.

The safe in the Clearfield, Pa., post-office was blown open and \$1,000 worth of stamps and \$300 in cash stolen.

STATE LEGISLATURE.

Many political reformers have maintained that the judiciary of the state should be selected without going through the partisan strife of an election, and Rep. Gustin, of Alpena, has introduced a bill in this line, to make the offices of the members of the state supreme court and all circuit judges appointive by the governor, the terms of the office to be for 10 years. This would give the governor about three score of judicial appointments. Rep. Bryan offers a bill to repeal the state salt inspection law. Rep. Sawyer would exempt non-taxpayers from voting on village bonding measures. Rep. Adams' bill prevents insolvent corporations from having preferred creditors. Other important bills in the House: Appropriating \$35,000 for a state normal school at Benton Harbor; appropriating \$10,000 for farmers' institutes; appropriating \$15,000 for the removal of obstructions from Kalamazoo river. The House received a petition from the W. C. T. U. of Battle Creek for a law to prohibit the liquor traffic. The House passed the bill making a \$20,000 emergency appropriation for the Michigan Mining school. Speaker Gordon has appointed a committee to investigate the Detroit house of correction, but failed to appoint Rep. Elkhoff, of Wayne, who has been urging the investigation. The Senate concurred to confirm two of Gov. Pingree's appointments—J. E. Marston as member of the board of control of the Agricultural college, and F. M. Stewart as member of the board of control of the Coldwater state public school. Several bills were passed by the Senate. Among them those repealing the laws for the collection of farm and aparian statistics. New bills in the Senate: For the incorporation of mutual integrity companies for the purpose of insuring to employers the integrity of their clerks, agents and employees; providing that everybody paying for first-class passage shall be given a seat in the parlor car, free, whenever he can get no seat in the regular coaches; to exempt musical and educational associations from taxation the same as charitable associations. Gov. Pingree has nominated Rev. Morgan Wood, of Detroit, as a member of the state board of correction and charities, and ex-Gov. Cyrus G. Luce as a member of the board of control of the Ionia reformatory.

The Senate judiciary committee has taken the first serious job at one of Gov. Pingree's pet bills and has killed the bill which provides that all railroads in the state shall furnish free transportation to the railroad commissioner's office. Commissioner Wessell is said to be very wrath over the action of the committee and declares that the railroads shall be brought to strict account if the Senate fails to take favorable action for his office. On top of the committee's action on this bill comes a measure from Senator Covell to restrict the powers of the railroad commissioner. Another important measure killed by the Senate—providing that two women shall be placed on every board of control of state institutions—the vote standing 25 to 4. Senator Moore, of Wayne, offers a bill to remove the homeopathic school from Ann Arbor to Detroit, and appropriating \$25,000 for that purpose, and \$60,000 annually for its maintenance. Other new Senate bills: To do away with the office of commissioner of mineral statistics; providing for an educational forestry commission to work for the preservation of the forests; providing a maximum penalty of \$200 for the manufacture, sale or use of cigarettes; providing for penalties where females over 15 years of age deprave the morality of boys under that age. The Senate committee on public buildings reported favorably the bill appropriating \$20,000 for an executive mansion and it was then referred to the committee on appropriations. The House acted on several measures in committee of the whole, rejecting the tin-horn gambler bill, but agreeing to bills to permit the spearing of fish in inland waters during December, January and February; providing that a vote of majority of members-elect of boards of supervisors shall be required to allow claims; to amend the constitution by raising the attorney-general's salary. The Pingree measure to bring the special charter railroads—the Lake Shore and the Michigan Central—under the two-cent fare bill was presented by Rep. Atkinson, of Wayne. It prohibits any road discriminating in rates of fare, that is, they must give all passengers the rates that they give any one, on a mileage or otherwise. Rep. Foote has a bill, backed by the G. A. R., for the organization of the American Guard by enrolling every school boy in the state above 12 years of age. Companies shall consist of 28 to 56 members, have regular military organizations and officers, shall be inspected by the inspector-general of the M. N. G., the governor shall be commander-in-chief, and school districts shall bear the expenses. Other new measures in the House: To prevent contractors from paying their laborers in saloons; for a state lighting plant at Lansing; to prevent telegraph and telephone companies from destroying shade trees in the public highways; to combine the laws affecting all judicial circuits into one law, without change of matter; providing that circuit judges can not practice during their term of office, except they are personally interested in the subject matter of the cases.

Prof. R. C. Kedzie addressed a night session of the House in the interest of the beet sugar industry and a bounty. Since the executive session has been occasioned so much criticism the Republican Senators are resorting to secret caucus to handle the governor's appointments. They used the plan in coming to a decision not to confirm the appointment of ex-Gov. Luce as a member of the Ionia house of correction board.

PLANETARY GOSSIP.

WHAT THE STARS SAY OF THE EARTH'S INHABITANTS.

IF PEOPLE should consult the Astrologer When About to Enter Into Matrimony—Answers to Requests—Instructions for Applicants to Go By.

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According to data furnished the zodiacal sign Aquarius, which Uranus rules, was rising at your birth; therefore Uranus is your ruling planet or signifier. The sign Pisces, which Jupiter rules, was intercepted on the ascendant. You are naturally the possessor of two kinds of temperaments. At times you are very cheerful, happy, jolly and jovial; then again you will be subject to spells of the blues and will brood over an injury that is either real or imaginary. You are kind to animals, and especially fond of a fine horse; you are quite a leader in anything you may become interested in, yet it will be in a very modest way and without boasting. You are fond of water and enjoy a good glass of it at any time in preference to almost any other drink. You are very fond of the mystical and take delight in unraveling a mystery. Marriage is only average fortunate for you, however you will have more than average wealth and will always be provided for.

According to data furnished, the zodiacal sign Gemini, which Mercury rules, was rising at your birth, therefore Mercury is your ruling planet or signifier. You are medium height or above; medium to dark complexion, hair and eyes; the eyes have a peculiar sparkle and sharp sight. You are quick in all your actions and oftentimes change your mind too quick for your own best interests, and it would be better for you to deliberate more on important business matters. You are very fond of books and everything relating to literary attainments, and will always admire a person that has a fine mind. You do not think that wealth is the only thing to live for and will spend a fair portion of your money for books and papers. You will make almost any money through a salaried position than in any other way. You are somewhat lacking in confidence in your ability and should cultivate self-esteem.

Those who have sent in their stamps (26 cents) for readings by mail, will usually be promptly answered. In cases where there is an apparent delay the astrologer should be notified at once and the mistake will be rectified.

Schoolmaster—Master Isaac, what wrong did the brothers of Joseph commit when they sold their brother? Isaac—They sold him too cheap.—New York Tribune.

Who can define the bounds of future improvement? Who will venture to allege that men have not yet as much to learn as they have already learned?—Noah Webster.

To choose time is to save time; and an unreasonable motion is but beating the air.—Bacon.

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WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY



WASHINGTON

THE fame of Washington is so immense and the popular conception of his character so exalted, that some skeptical and fault-finding critics are disposed to question the universal estimate, and especially in the matter of his ability as a soldier and military commander. However much we may wish it otherwise, there is in human nature a mean spirit of envy and detraction which instinctively feels the honors bestowed upon a great man to be an indirect reflection and rebuke to its own littleness and baseness. This spirit cropped out conspicuously in the case of Columbus, in the efforts to belittle his great exploit and to blacken his character. I do not say that criticisms upon Washington's generalship all proceed from base motives, but they doubtless do mostly come from the spirit and innate tendency which I have indicated. This unworthy spirit is as old as history, as old as humanity. It showed itself in a memorable fashion when the old Athenians wrote their sentence of banishment against Aristides because they were tired of hearing him call "the just."

Washington and Napoleon. Great soldiers are to be judged not alone by success, by battles fought and victories won—though this, of course, is the great popular test—but by all the circumstances and difficulties in which they are placed. There are great commanders in history who have won fame by avoiding battles, like the Roman Fabius, and even by great retreats like Xenophon with his ten thousand Greeks. If Washington is to be compared, to his disadvantage, with Napoleon, then the popular question is, would Napoleon, under the same circumstances, have done any better? It is enough for any commander that he fills the great measure of his requirement. This, of course, is not saying that Washington would have filled the place of Napoleon in the vast, different field and circumstances in which that great soldier won his fame. Nor should it be forgotten, all the while, that ultimately Washington succeeded and founded a nation, while Napoleon failed and lost an empire.

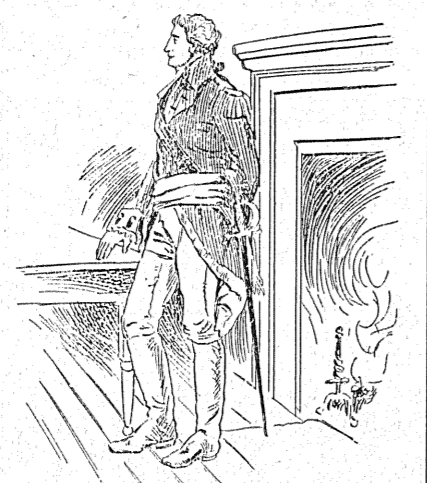
Washington's Difficult Task. The difficulties which encountered Washington when he took up his great trust as commander-in-chief of the continental army were most complicated and immense. The theater of the struggle was a vast one, geographically, stretching along the Atlantic coast from Massachusetts to South Carolina, while the whole population was only three millions—not very much greater than that of the state of Michigan, and not so great into a million as that of Illinois. Out of this small, scattering and peaceful population an army was to be raised, organized and equipped capable of contending with the chief military and maritime power of the globe. And it was not to be a struggle between government and government, between one nation and another. It was a rebellion, and there was really no central authority, no arms or warlike stores, no navy, no treasury or financial system or responsibility. It was only a brave and patriotic people, small in numbers, without discipline or military experience, without arms and without money, rushing thus bare-handed into a conflict with the mother-country, their own government, a powerful nation, which had recently been raised by the genius of the elder Pitt to the front rank among the great warlike nations of the world—a nation whose military posts and possessions already dotted

the globe, whose victorious navies covered every ocean and sea, whose morning drum beat, as Webster said, was heard round the world. It was against such a power as this that this handful of patriots had thrown down the gage of rebellion and defiance.

When England Closed In. When England saw that the contest was fairly opened her great navy closed in upon our ports and landed upon our shores different armies of her veteran soldiers, who had fought in the continental wars, and these were soon supplemented by trained Hessian soldiers, hired and paid by her gold. These armies were greater in numbers than the colonies had to oppose to them. And still, as they had to be transported so far, and to cover so wide a field, they were never very large, and the battles of the revolution were never on a great scale as to numbers. The country was new, there was next to no cavalry and not much artillery, and the engagements were thus mainly with infantry and at close range. There was little chance for tactics or maneuvers. All depended upon pluck, hard fighting and endurance.

A Providential Man. Washington is known in history as a providential man; that is, a man raised up by Providence to fill a great place and perform a great mission. However this may be, he certainly had great parts and great and peculiar fitness for the most difficult and trying place which he filled in history. He had had experience in the previous Indian and French wars, and had proven himself a wise, competent and heroic officer. He had great personal advantages for command. He was of fine physique and imposing presence, a splendid horseman, carrying with him over the port and air of authority and native majesty—an ideal commander.

Knew It Meant Freedom. So when this noble Virginian appeared before that northern army and drew his sword as their commander under those Cambridge elms his fame had preceded him and he was received with shouts of welcome and of confidence. Then all men knew it was to be a struggle to the death. I have no room



WASHINGTON THE SOLDIER.

here, of course, to recount the particulars of that seven years' conflict. Patiently and steadily organizing and disciplining the raw patriot militia and volunteers into an army. Washington at the same time closely invested the British in Boston and finally drove them to their ships in the harbor, from which they sailed away, while the patriot army marched into the New England capital, which was never again to be trodden by the footsteps of an enemy. Thus was scored a great success at the opening. Then followed the march to New York to meet the enemy, landing in great force on Long Island; the brave but disastrous battle, followed by that masterly retreat, which alone would stamp Washington as a great general; the gallant stand at White Plains; the reluctant but stern and heroic winter retreat through the Jerseys ended by the master counter-strokes of Trenton and Princeton, by which the great leader saved the cause of the revolution at its lowest ebb. Then the next year the struggle to save Philadelphia, the defeat at the Brandywine, where Lafayette first shed his blood in our cause; the loss of the continental capital and the well planned but accidentally lost battle of

Germantown. Then the gloomy winter quarters at Valley Forge, which tried the souls of patriot men and proved the great soul of George Washington. Who but he could have held that defeated, freezing, starving army together in that terrible winter? And at the same time the country was filled with the praise of Gates, who had conquered Burgoyne at Saratoga.

In the Darkest Hours. In this dark hour, too, Washington was beset with cabals and conspiracies, in congress and in the army, to depose him from the command which was to be given to the successful Gates. When in the early summer of 1778 the British commander evacuated Philadelphia, and Washington followed him with his little army to give him battle, on the field of Monmouth he met one of these detractors and conspirators, Gen. Lee, his second in command, disobeying his orders and in shameful and unnecessary retreat.

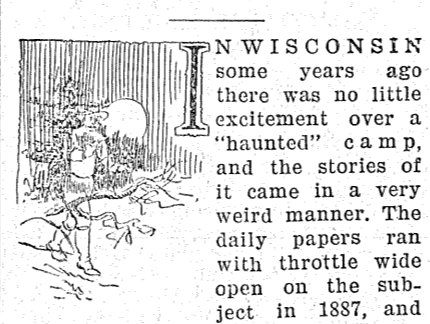
It was here that Washington is said to have lost his temper. It is pretty well demonstrated that he did, and if Gen. Lee received upon his miserable head that day an explosion of titanic wrath it was surely no more than he deserved. Despite this untoward disarrangement of his plans Washington here won a partial success. The battle of Monmouth was his last engagement until the crowning victory of Yorktown, three years later. In the meantime the war was going on in other parts of the great field of operations, battles and skirmishes were being fought and subordinate commanders, like Greene and Wayne and Morgan, were winning some laurels. But the central army was not immediately engaged. It was holding the ground and perfecting its alliance with the French forces, on land and water, which had now come to our assistance. When all was ready came that sudden and rapid march from the Hudson to Virginia and the great final victory at Yorktown.

Had No Personal Ambition. Even from this briefest outline of Washington's career in the revolution, it will be seen that he had little opportunity for personal distinction as a commander. He was an unlucky general; fortune did not seem to smile upon him and he had more defeats than victories. Long Island, White Plains, Brandywine, Germantown—all these were defeats; some of them disastrous. Monmouth was little more than a drawn battle, while to offset these, Trenton and Princeton, while brilliant in conception and execution and great in effect, were so small in the numbers engaged that they amounted to little more than successful skirmishes. And besides they were with Hessians and not with British regulars. Yorktown was, indeed, a great and crowning success, but it was won with superior numbers and the honors had to be divided with the French.

Greatest Figure in History. Hardly a better instance does history afford of patience under provocation, of dogged determination under difficulties, of unconquerable will and courage, holding on so long and coming out triumphant at last over such mighty opposition. These great qualities, as we have already seen, belonged to the man more than to the soldier. It was indeed the great man behind the soldier, the man with the great patriotic heart, with the wise head, and the lofty, unshaken soul, that brought us through that long and tremendous struggle and gave us our glorious place and opportunity among the nations. No other man on this continent but he could have done it. Greene, among the generals of the revolution, would have come nearest to it, but he would have failed.

But in looking over the whole field and record, in the light of all the facts and history, it will be seen that Washington made no military mistakes, that he improved all his opportunities, that his generalship will stand the test of criticism. He struck whenever he had the chance, his plans were good, and when compelled, his retreats were masterly.

IN A HAUNTED CAMP.



IN WISCONSIN some years ago there was no little excitement over a "haunted" camp, and the stories of it came in a very weird manner. The daily papers ran with throbbing wide open on the subject in 1887, and when children heard it they were afraid to go to bed alone. The camp was the property of a Wisconsin firm and the stories about it were hair-raising. Here is one related by the time-keeper in an adjoining camp:

"We were sitting around a comfortable old round oak stove. Some of the boys were smoking their pipes, while others were reading. 'Say, boys,' said old Fred Rogers, as he laid an evening paper on the table beside him; 'did you see an account of this 'ere old, haunted cedar camp over near Menominee?'"

"Oh! go on, you old loon, what you givin' us now? What new story have you made up?"

"Not any," answered Fred, and he knocked the ashes out of his pipe and scrutinized the boys in eager anticipation of being invited to read the article.

"All right, Fred, let 'er rip," exclaimed Bill McGivern, and "let 'er rip" he did.

The boys all paid close attention and Fred read the story of the haunted camp without pause for the marks of punctuation, and when he laid the paper down he looked at the group of listeners and waited for some remarks.

"So she's truly haunted?" came the query, and the questioner looked over his shoulder as though afraid that some queer antics would be cut up there.

"I don't believe in ghosts now," continued the nervous man, "but I tell you fellows what I'll do. I'll bet that I can find out the cause of it all, and what's more, I'm willing to go over there to-morrow night and do a little Young Sleuth work if one of you'll go with me. It's only twenty-five miles, and that's easy."

"I'll take you!" old Rogers almost shrieked, and then there the bargain was sealed. To back out of it would mean a month's wages to either man and that's something a lumber jack can't afford to lose.

The above conversation took place in a little camp among the northern Badger pines, and the little group of men, eight in number, spent the rest of the evening very quietly, each man busied with his own thoughts. The next day's work was quietly done, and when the boss informed them that "stuff's off" they all drew to the shanty to see the two depart.



HE LAY WHERE HE HAD FALLEN DEAD.

They each took a brace of revolvers and stepping into a boat shoved off. As they departed many a joke was thrown after them, and as the great silvery moon shone over the rippling water the men were each busy with his own thoughts.

The man with Rogers bore the name of Ike Spindler, and man and name were well matched.

For three and one-half hours they worked forward, and then they turned the boat toward shore. It was two miles inland to the camp and the men pushed toward the camp with a feeling that borders on the awful. The distance was covered in forty minutes and as the camp loomed in sight Rogers noted the time. It was just ten minutes after 9 o'clock. The moon was in the zenith.

The camp had been deserted for many days, and the men used considerable caution in closing in upon it. A strange sight met their eyes. The door of the camp slowly opened. A thin, smoky mist seemed to waft outward. It hovered near the doorway for a few moments, and then the door closed as slowly as it had opened. The vapory substance floated toward the woods. Spindler's teeth were chattering and he was deeply impressed with the all-absorbing thought that he'd better run, but Rogers' strong arm held him back. The men walked up to the door of the camp. It was locked. They walked around it and found one window partly opened. They entered. A large number of tin plates, such as often seen in woodland camps, were neatly arranged around the long table, as though all was in readiness for a meal. Suddenly the entire shanty shook, and the dishes and every article of furniture began to rise, and what was more, fly through the air. Both men made a mad rush for the door. A chair struck Spindler on the head, knocking him senseless. This continued for some time. In the meantime Rogers was making frantic efforts to get the door opened. At last, after one terrific tug,

it gave way. The old man could not resist the opportunity of escaping. He drank in the cool autumn breeze that touched his cheeks. He turned and called to Spindler. 'Could he leave him to such a horrible fate? Never! He stooped and raised his unconscious companion to his feet. While doing so he received a terrible blow in the face. He dropped the unfortunate Ike and abandoned him to his fate.

He rushed out into the open air. He looked behind him, and there was that terrible smoky form. He ran, but it closed in upon him. His entire frame thrilled as though an electric battery had been applied to his flesh. His mind was under some horrid strain. He turned around, and still running, he emptied his revolver into the misty form. It did not turn it from its definite course. He then gave himself up to running, and never turned around until he reached the shore. As he did so his boat suddenly glided out into the river, and then as suddenly sank, deep down into the moon-lit waters. He looked back of him, and there a sight met his frenzied gaze which froze him to the spot. An aura as bright as the perfect day filled the woods. Thrown in plain relief before the blinding light he read the word "Depart!" It was written in blood. The same frenzied feeling again seized him, and he ran through the woods like a madman.

It was a day and a half before he reached camp, bleeding and naked. In half articulated accents he told his story and also the fate of poor Ike.

A searching party was organized and the camp was reached in broad daylight. Everything was as undisturbed as things could be. The dishes were all neatly piled in one corner and—like? Why, he was still on the floor where he had fallen—dead. No scar was upon his body and the unfortunate man had undoubtedly died of fear.

The camp still stands alone and uninhabited. It cost one man his life; the other his mind. And as the tall cedars swing and sigh in the wintry winds they seem to mournfully say: "Depart and live; enter and die."

A MODERN NOTION.

Ancients Were Content With a Simple Mode of Distinguishing Each Other. Since the adoption of its constitution, in 1777, New York has had thirty-one governors. Not one wrote his middle name out in full. Fourteen had no middle names. There never was a candidate for governor, with the single exception of John Boyd Thatcher, who spread his name out to the fullest extent and revealed in pride when we looked upon it. To John Boyd Thatcher we should feel indebted, says the New York Press. It is the literary instinct, the cult of James Russell Lowell, Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, William Cullen Bryant, William Gilmore Simms, Oliver Wendell Holmes, George Edgar Montgomery and Laura Jean Libbey which we must thank for knowledge of the Boyd in Thatcher's name.

But for the cult mentioned in the foregoing paragraph we should probably never have known Henry Cabot Lodge, the handsomest of Senators. He would have been simply Henry C. Lodge, which sounds strange. The swell society set, in order to distinguish themselves from men in trade and waiters in waiting, have adopted the first initial and the full second name, as, for instance, T. Suffer Tailor, J. Edward Simmons, D. Russell Brown, O. Vincent Coffin, J. Warren Goddard, J. Seaver Page and J. Harper Bonnell. The English style is to have as many names as possible, so that if a man does not look like a gentleman and has not the manners of one he can redeem himself by the respectability of his names. A century ago most of the great men of the world, had no middle names. George Washington, Napoleon Bonaparte, Thomas Jefferson, John Adams, James Madison, George Clinton, John Jay, Morgan Lewis, Increase Sumner, Caleb Strong, Isaac Wilbur, and all the rest. A middle name was a rarity. We have among us at this day not a few who drop their middle names for one reason or another. Charles Wallace Brooke (never forget the "Wallace") says there is no middle name in law.

Worked the Other Way. "Madam," he said, in a gentle, soothing voice, which only the man who has something to sell can successfully assume, "I have here an article of soap which—"

"Don't want any soap," she replied, flatly.

"But your younger brother there must get a great many grease-spots on his clothes. Now, if you would provide some of that soap—"

"When you allude to my younger brother I suppose you mean that boy who is standing over by the fence?"

"Certainly."

"Well, he isn't my younger brother. He's my son and, what's more than that, I read the papers, and if you think you can flatter me by pretending that I look youthful you're wrong. I don't want any soap and my time's precious."—Detroit Free Press.

A Homesick Boy. Does homesickness tend to induce a philosophical view of things? Not in most cases, but perhaps there are exceptions. A youngster was sent to boarding school and did not much fancy the change. On the second or third day he wrote home thus: "Dear Father: Life is very short. Let us spend it together. Your affectionate son, Christopher."—Tid-Bits.

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A Red Letter Day.



FRIDAY, Feb. 12th, 1897, will ever be remembered as a red letter day in the history of Court Elkland, No. 826, Independent Order of Foresters, located at Cass City, for upon the evening of that day, their new hall in the Campbell block was dedicated and all the program and services connected therewith made up a tremendous success. In the earlier part of the evening a program was given in the rink. Seats were provided for over 300, all of which were filled, as well as much of the standing room. Rev. J. W. Penn, in his usual capable manner officiated as chairman. The opening number was given by the harmonica and guitar band, made up of Messrs. Cornelius Kile, Beach and Sheffer, whose selections during the evening were received with repeated cheers. Rev. Penn offered a brief but very appropriate prayer and more music followed. Miss Hattie Deming recited "The Blacksmith's Story" in a pleasing manner. High Chief Ranger, Lee E. Joslyn, of Bay City, then addressed the large gathering. He gave illustrations of the benefits of fraternal beneficiary societies and then spoke more particularly of Forestry, the cost of benefits, etc. He also stated that their plans of operation were recommended by the fraternal congress which met last year at Louisville, Kentucky. At the time the order was reorganized, in 1881, it had a membership of 369 and was \$4,000 in debt. Since that time they have paid \$4,000,000 in losses, and have a present membership of over 102,000, as well as a reserve fund of \$2,100,000 drawing interest at the rate of four and six per cent. When the fund reaches \$25 per member, which it will probably do in the near future, the Supreme Court may remit two assessments to each seven-year member. The speaker's remarks were practical and tended to enlighten all upon the benefits of the order. After another instrumental selection, Clark Cogswell gave a character song and was loudly encoored to which he responded.

Rev. E. Collins of Detroit, was then called to the front and began his interesting address by congratulating the Court upon their prosperity. Their new forest home was not only a credit to themselves but to the village as well. He had not met a healthier, heartier or more sincere company of men than those who would meet within its walls. While he belonged to other fraternal societies and thoroughly appreciated their benefits, he stated that the Independent Order of Foresters was without a peer. Fraternity is one of the factors that will help to solve the problems that now convulse society. No man who does not understand the meaning of the word fraternity is worthy to come within the precincts of our lodges. What we need is not more men, but more MAN, more manliness, a greater spirit of loyalty. In Sweden the governments obliges every man to make provision for the future. In the United States there are only thirty-five per cent, who have done so. The speaker had sympathy for bachelors, but said they reminded him of one-half a pair of shears—only good to scrape fish with.

"Whether he laughs or whether he cries, Nobly mourns when a bachelor dies." He thought, however, that all "un-appropriated blessings" (commonly known as old maids) should insist upon provision being made for the future before accepting any bachelor. He was glad that in the lodge all could stand upon a common platform free from isms or istis. He expected Court E to stand to become the banner court of the state and spoke of several aides to that court, holding that every member accepted should be sound morally as well as physically. He believed in the liberal use of printer's ink and thought the society publications should be scattered freely and the columns of the local papers made use of at every opportunity. He hoped to see the Court, now having a membership of 154, reach the 200 mark in the near future. He met the objection of some, to the headquarters of the order

being in Canada, by stating that thousands of dollars of the reserve fund were invested in U. S. bonds and other properties on this side. He made pleasing reference to the large and interesting gathering and closed his remarks by a few well chosen witticisms.

Clark Cogswell gave a burlesque on John B. Gough in good style. The closing number was a vocal quartette by Mrs. McLean and Miss M. Caroline Fenn, Messrs. Knapp and Berry which was rendered in an excellent manner.

Supper was waiting in the west side of the Campbell block and after all had satisfied the inner man the dedication of the hall took place. It has been very appropriately furnished and although large and roomy it was packed tight to suffocation. After the dedication some time was spent in interchange of pleasantries, in which Rev. Collins took a prominent part. In behalf of Mrs. Bickford, Rev. Penn presented the court with a portrait of her deceased husband, who was a member of the order.

The total proceeds amounted to \$37 and after expenses are met, something over \$34 will pass into the treasury towards furnishing the new hall. The members of the different committees tender their thanks to those who so willingly assisted.

CANBORO.

Miss Susie Leitch has returned to Missa.

Mesdames Lown and Lambkin were in Cass City Thursday.

Brooks Stoddard and niece, Miss A. Lown, have returned from North Branch.

The Kintograph concert at Macabee Hall Saturday evening was a failure through some misunderstanding.

The sick are convalescing and doctors are having a rest, and are no doubt wishing for another cold wave and a few more accidents.

James Brackenbury left Tuesday for Roscommon where he will engage in the lumbering business. He was accompanied by Archie Leitch.

Bucklen'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 cents per box. For sale by T. H. Fritz.

BEAULEY.

Ladies' Aid at Mrs. George Young's this week.

D. McDonald was in Bad Axe last week on business.

A grand entertainment in the M. E. church Tuesday night.

R. Parr says the Farmers Institute at Bad Axe this year was a grand success.

G. Young and Mack Allen are doing a rushing business teaming wood to Cass City at present.

Frank Martin went to Bad Axe Tuesday after his engine which has been there for repairs.

Wanted, in the Beasley blacksmith shop a first-class blacksmith as business is rushing. No Irish need apply.

James Daudo, of Gageton, visited in Beasley Sunday. Come again, and come often, some will say in their heart, James.

Times are commencing to look up already as is evident as a goodly number of our farmers are sporting new cutters. That's business.

We have many kinds, but only one—Brant's Cough Balsam—that we can conscientiously recommend.

"It is the best I ever used." Charles K. Farmer, Pipestone, Mich. We warrant it—25 cents. Sold by T. H. Fritz, druggist.

Why does a dog turn around twice before lying down? He wants to satisfy himself in his own mind that one good turn deserves another.

NERVE NAILER DOES NOT DRUG ANY BE part of the system, but cures by re-OWN moving the cause. JUDGE. Sold by T. H. Fritz.

Presidential Inauguration. For the inauguration of President elect McKinley, at Washington, D. C., March 4, agents of Ohio Central Lines will sell tickets March 1, 2 and 3, good returning until March 8, at one fare or round trip. 2-4-4

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SNYDER'S CORNERS.

Wal Harrison spent Sunday at Joe Karr's.

Every one is taking advantage of the sleighing by hustling their logs to the mill.

Jack Lemunyon and Joe O'Brien are cutting single-bolts over in Brookfield this week.

A number of our young people attended the wedding party at Gageton last Tuesday evening.

Will Ritchie and Wal Harrison were down in Brookfield looking at some lumber last week.

Ralph Lemunyon intends purchasing a new violin in the near future so the boys will not be stuck for a violinist.

A sawing bee at Jim Karr's in the near future. The boys are waiting patiently as they always have a pleasant time at Jim's.

The family of Mr. Russell are having a severe spell of sickness. At this writing Mrs. Russell is very low with pleurisy and Archie and Mertie are suffering with typhoid-pneumonia.

Alex. Deneen's house caught fire last Monday, and, but for the timely arrival of John Lemunyon and son, who were passing at the time, they would have had a serious conflagration.

GAGETOWN.

Remember the Macabee play the 22nd.

Born to George Simmons and wife, a son.

Mrs. Thos. Finkle is down with la grippe.

Mrs. Steady is able to enjoy this nice weather.

Miss Mary Williams is visiting in Caro this week.

The Moore Telephone Co. reached town Wednesday.

Mrs. Daw went to Akron Friday to remain indefinitely.

R. S. Brown is suffering with rheumatism and lumbago.

Our new barber shop is quite tony, but none too much so.

P. Tooley is shipping a large quantity of apples to Bay City.

A large quantity of ice is being taken from Mud Lake this season.

The Bingham meat market is opened and is supplying a long felt want.

The Foresters were not favored by good roads for their Ball the 17th.

Rev. W. A. Alley preached at the Remington church, Columbia, Sunday.

Mrs. Mary A. Blakeley has returned from her visit with a daughter in Akron.

Adolphus Blakeley, who is teaching in Akron township, visited his parents last home Saturday and Sunday.

The District school got fifteen per cent of the receipts of the musical concert at Echo Hall Friday night for organ fund.

The wife and two sons of William Russell, of Elkland, are on the sick list and the neighbors should see to their wants.

Miss Edith Parly, of Caro, came here Saturday to make her brothers a visit, accompanied by Miss Alice Atwood and in the evening Mrs. Jas. L. Parly gave them a reception and dance in honor of their visit.

Mrs. Sarah Bradley, a pensioner of the late war, who has lived alone here for the past sixteen years, died Saturday morning at the age of eighty years. By economy she had saved up \$162 for sick and burial expenses. Her niece, Mrs. James Stapleton, was with her when she died.

Simon S. Hartman, of Tunnelton, West Va., has been subject to attacks of colic about once a year, and would have to call a doctor and then suffer for about twelve hours as much as some do when they die. He was taken recently just the same as at other times, and concluded to try Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera, and Diarrhoea Remedy. He says: "I took one to attend to it and it gave me relief in five minutes. That is more than anything else has ever done for me." For sale by T. H. Fritz, druggist.

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ANOTHER LETTER.

From the British Medical Institute to the Citizens of Cass City. A Magnanimous Offer. Saginaw, Mich., Jan. 2, '97.

EDITOR ENTERPRISE:— Please inform your readers that the good work accomplished by the British Medical Institute during the first year of its existence in Saginaw has resulted in attracting so many patients from all over this section that, Dr. Haley, the general manager, and chief consulting physician is now here, with his chief associate Dr. Gordon, and will remain here until March 1st, in order to accommodate the unusually large number of callers.

In order that the rich and poor alike may enjoy the services of these skilled specialists, during that time, all professional fees will be suspended, and no money whatever will be received except for medicines furnished.

Can every reader suffering from a Chronic Disease fully realize what this means to him? It is simply this: Between now and March first, you can consult doctors, who have devoted their lives to the study and cure of chronic diseases, and can have the benefit of all their rare knowledge of modern medical science and vast experience, without going to some distant city, or paying the large fees regularly charged for such services.

No matter what treatment you have taken heretofore if you are not cured, call on the doctors and get an honest and honorable opinion of your case. In all difficult and complicated cases the combined wisdom of the Institute's staff of seven eminent specialists is brought to bear. It is guaranteed you will be kindly and frankly told so. Offices are at 106 South Washington Ave. BRITISH MEDICAL INSTITUTE.

For speakers, asthma, bronchitis, consumption, catarrh troubles Pine Root Cough Syrup excels. Every bottle is guaranteed. Large bottles for 50c. Sold by T. H. Fritz.

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WHAT TO DO. There is comfort in the knowledge so often expressed, that Dr. Kilmor's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy, fulfills every wish in relieving pain in the back, kidneys, liver, bladder and every part of the urinary passages. It corrects inability to hold urine and scalding pain in passing it, or bad effects following use of liquor, wine or beer, and overcomes that unpleasant necessity of being compelled to get up many times during the night to urinate. The mild and pleasant ordinary effect of Swamp-Root is realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases. If you need a medicine you should have the best. Sold by druggists price fifty cents and one dollar. For a sample bottle and pamphlet, both sent free by mail, mention the Enterprise and send your full post-office address to Dr. Kilmor & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. The proprietors of this paper guarantee the genuineness of this offer.

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GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY. Presidential Inauguration at Washington, D. C., March 1897. For the above occasion tickets will be sold from Port Huron via Grand Trunk Railway System at the rate of \$14.25 for the round trip. Tickets will be good for continuous passage only, and will be on sale March 1, 2, and 3rd, valid for return passage March 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8 inclusive. For rates, routes and information, apply to G. R. CLARK, Agent, Port Huron, Mich.

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Church Directory. EVANGELICAL—Services begin with Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Preaching services 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Y. P. A. meeting 6:15 p. m. English services every Sunday evening. All are invited. Rev. J. M. BITTSER, Pastor.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL.—Preaching services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday School at 12 m. Junior League at 3:30 p. m. Epworth League at 6:30 p. m. Prayer meeting at 7:30 on Thursday evening. Rev. J. W. PENN, Pastor.

PREBYTERIAN—Sunday preaching services, 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Y. P. S. C. E. at 6:30 p. m. Prayer meeting on Thursday evening at 7:30. Rev. B. J. BAXTER, Pastor.

BAPTIST—Preaching services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. on Sunday, Sunday school at 12 m. Prayer meeting on Thursday evening at 7:30. Rev. C. D. ELDRIDGE, Pastor.

Cass City Markets. Cass City, Feb. 18, 1897. Wheat, No. 1 white, 78. Wheat, No. 2 red, 78. Corn, per bu., 29. Oats, per bu. new, 15 to 16. Rye, per 100 lbs., 50 to 55. Peas, 25 to 34. Beans, 40 to 45. Clover, per ton, 14 to 20. Potatoes per bu., 10 to 12. Apples—Dressed, per lb., 3 to 4. Eggs per doz., 10 to 11. Butter, 10 to 11. Live Hogs, per cwt., 2 to 3. Beef, live weight, 2.00 to 3.25. Mutton—live weight, per lb., 2 to 2 1/2. Lambs, live weight, 3.50 to 4.25. Turkeys—live, per lb., 10 to 12. Chickens—dressed, per lb., 8 to 10. Dressing ducks, 6 to 8. Dressed geese, 6 to 8. Hay, pressed, 6.50 to 8.00. Wool, washed, 14 to 18. Wool, unwashed, 6 to 13.

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FOR SALE—10 acres of land with 30 acres improved; on good road and will exchange for village property. W. J. CAMPBELL. 1-28.

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OTS of constables for sale on my farm. E. F. WADE. 2-11-2.

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