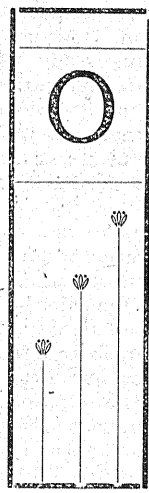


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BY M'DOWELL & WALTERS.



## Overcoats For All

Long tail, short tail, no tail at all, Heavy weight, light weight, for winter or for fall. With big pockets and pockets that are small. All kinds of Overcoats, fit you when you call.

And the Most Beautiful

Is you can (any) Suit or Overcoat yourself at manufacturers prices. 23 lots consisting of Men's Ladies' and Childrens' Shoes to close at bargain prices.

**J. D. CROSBY,** Cass City's Shoe and Clothing Man.

N. B.—No coupons given after January 31 and none redeemed after Feb. 1st.

Just Received

from the Gibson Art Company a fine line of Marriage Certificates and Wedding Books, Reward Cards, Calling and Birthday Cards and Booklets, Paper Napkins, Bill Heads, Statement Heads, Remittance Blanks, Rent Receipts, Notes, etc.

T. H. FRITZ, Druggist.

Cigars to Burn,

And Cigars that will burn without you drawing your head off. Every brand we carry is strictly A No. 1.

There is Nothing

That will please your sweetheart so well as some of our

Elegant Candy

We also carry Oysters and Crackers.

J. C. Lauderbach.

## SPRING GOODS

We have opened for the trade a beautiful and immense stock of Spring Goods such as the following:

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|------------------------|---------------------|
| Percales,              | Dress Goods,        |
| Shirting Prints,       | Fancy Linings,      |
| Fancy Prints,          | Fancy Silks,        |
| A. F. C. Gingham,      | Fancy Skirts,       |
| Toile du Nord Gingham, | Silk Waists,        |
| Apron Gingham,         | Satin Waists,       |
| India Linens,          | Lace Curtains,      |
| Silkolines,            | Carpets,            |
| Draperies,             | Window Shades,      |
| Table Linen,           | Napkins,            |
| Clothing,              | Shoes,              |
| Hats and Caps          | Gents' Furnishings. |

In fact everything that goes to make up a first-class Stock can be found at the old reliable Cash Buyers.

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What few Winter Goods we have left we will sell cheap.

### Fred Emerson Brooks.

High Class Entertainment Furnished by Him Monday Evening.

The second number of the Citizen's Lecture Course was given at the J. L. H. Opera House on Monday evening by Fred Emerson Brooks, the California poet. The attendance was excellent considering the severity of the weather, there being a good representation from the country. Mr. Brooks presented his own poems in a highly entertaining style, mingling pathos and humor in such a way that many in the audience scarce had time to suppress a laugh before the tears would unbidden start. Some complained that he made them laugh too much, so much that their faces were tired. The representation of the old darkey mamma in "Hush-e by, close yo' eye," was very home-like, while the various dialects in the "Foreigners at the Fair" were genuine enough to make one feel that he was listening in turn to the Englishman, Scotchman, Frenchman, Chinaman, etc. "The Whistling Boy" caused more than one eye to become moist. The entertainer spoke of the acoustic properties of the Opera House as being "absolutely perfect," and suggested that the churches by having an abundance of light and proper acoustics might become more attractive to the young men who frequent the saloon or pool room. "Dat good for noddings dog" was a general favorite while the relating of how "Old Ace" won his name and the hand of a young lady for his master was listened to with intense interest. "Remember the Maine" was grandly patriotic and contained some thrilling flights of poetry. "The Kindergarten Tol" gave a peep at the school room when the school ma'am's best young man calls. "Palestine" was a very touching selection, long to be remembered. "Our Hans at Santiago," very humorous, was followed by the heavier number "Yosemite," too awe inspiring to be described. "Watchin' the sparkin'" revealed the disadvantages of the bashful young man as told by an eavesdropper. "Barnyard melodies" was one of the strongest numbers and the imitations of the utterings of the various barnyard inhabitants were exceedingly well given. The closing selection was "Picket's Charge" at Gettysburg and portrayed the horrors of that struggle in a very realistic manner. Everyone was highly pleased with the nature of the program and the privilege of hearing Mr. Brooks recite his own poems.

### For Sale.

At a bargain if sold at once. 40 acres 5 1/2 miles from Cass City, good house and stable, 25 acres cleared, 3 acres wheat on ground. Or will rent.

O. K. JAMES.

### Farms for Sale.

An 80 and 100 acre farm within five and one-half miles of Cass City. Fine grove of green timber on the 100. Considerable improvements on both places. Reasonable payment down and long time on balance. For particulars inquire of

E. B. LANDON.

### Money to Loan

On farm property in amounts of \$200 to \$2,500 from 2 to 10 years. Will take partial payments. See O. K. James for particulars. 8-4

### Farm for Sale.

40 Acres, five miles west of Cass City, known as the Simons place. Inquire of I. WADLEY. 2-8-12

### For Sale.

I have a few choice village lots which I will sell for a small payment down, and the balance payable monthly, at 5 per cent interest.

1-24-11 HUGH W. SEED.

### Wood.

For Sale—No. 1 Dry Ash, Soft Maple and Elm Wood. \$1.20 per cord delivered. Speak to either drayman, or inquire of GEORGE E. PERKINS. 2-22-11

### 4 Farms for Sale

Low Prices, Easy Terms. Call at Cass City Bank.

I. B. Auten,

Agent.

### Local Happenings.

O. E. Thomas, of Caro, was in town Saturday.

P. S. Rice is in Detroit looking after new goods.

Mrs. J. L. Hitchcock has been quite ill this week.

J. D. Crosby made a business trip to Bad Axe this week.

Joe Prutchev, of Detroit, has been spending several days here.

Miss Lottie Usher is convalescent from an attack of tonsillitis.

Miss Mary Fisher is able to be out again after a prolonged illness.

J. L. Parry, the Gageton banker, did business here on Wednesday.

Alex. Gillies, Leach Street north, is afflicted with an abscess on his side.

Will the writer of Hay Creek items be kind enough to send in their name.

C. W. Wallace has purchased a Hungarian walnut case Erd piano, through J. Campau.

Miss Elizabeth Ballard, of North Branch, is the guest of Miss Evelyn Wickware.

A number from this place attended the dance at Gageton last Thursday evening.

John Striffler has just shipped a carload of cedar posts to T. E. Morse, of Geyer, Ohio.

Miss Nannie MacArthur, of Millington, visited her home here last week, returning on Saturday.

H. B. Outwater has returned from Houghton, Mich., where he has been employed for some time.

Miss Edna Sweaf, of the Erd Piano and Harp Co., of Saginaw, was the guest of J. Campau, last week.

John W. Murphy left Tuesday morning for Ann Arbor to attend the Farmers' Round-up Institute.

Alex. Bishop, of Stratroy, Ont., is the guest of his brother-in-law, Alex. Frasier, of Grant township.

J. Campau and B. E. Patterson attended a social gathering at North Burns on Tuesday evening and next morning Mr. Campau sold a fine Erd piano to Miss Fannie McIntyre, of that place.

### Happily Wedded.

On Wednesday at high noon, occurred the marriage of Perry E. Wood, of this place, to Miss Lillie B. Hess, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Hess, in Almer township, two and one-half miles from Caro. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Chas. Morgan, Ph. D., of this place, in the presence of a goodly gathering of the immediate friends of the contracting parties.

The bride has spent considerable time in Cass City and her friends are numerous. The bridegroom is the son of O. C. Wood, one of our most prosperous farmers. Mr. and Mrs. Wood intend making their home on Mrs. L. A. DeWitt's farm, one mile west and one-half mile north of town, which Mr. Wood has leased.

The ENTERPRISE joins their many friends in wishing them a long and happy life together.

### Registration Notice.

To the electors of the village of Cass City:

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the board of registration of the village of Cass City, will be held at the council rooms in said village, on Saturday, the 10th day of March, A. D. 1900, for the purpose of registering the names of all such persons as shall be possessed of the necessary qualifications of electors of said village who may apply for that purpose, and that said board of registration will be in session on the day and place aforesaid from nine o'clock in the morning until eight in the afternoon for the purpose aforesaid.

Dated March 1st, 1900.

J. B. MCGILLIVRAY, Clerk.

### Election Notice.

Notice is hereby given to the electors of the village of Cass City that the next annual election will be held on Monday, the 13th day of March, A. D. 1900, at the council rooms in said village, at which election the following officers are to be chosen: President, clerk, three trustees, treasurer, assessor. The polls of said election will be open at seven o'clock in the forenoon or as soon thereafter as may be and will be continued open until five o'clock in the afternoon, provided the board shall, in their discretion, adjourn the polls at twelve o'clock noon for one hour.

Dated March 1st, 1900.

J. B. MCGILLIVRAY, Clerk.

### HON. G. E. GEARHART.

At the Opera House next Saturday Evening.

Hon. G. A. Gearhart, of Buffalo, has made a name for himself upon the lecture platform during the past three years that has placed him in the front rank of the orators of the century. He is a thorough scholar and aims to give the people a lecture both uplifting and ennobling, full of the highest and noblest sentiments. He has a fine stage presence and magnetic delivery. Every young man should hear him. He encourages and stimulates all to nobler effort. The Congregationalist says "no man on the lecture platform to-day is doing more to enrich humanity and stimulate to nobler living than G. A. Gearhart." The pleasing and masterful manner in which great thoughts are presented and the deep sincerity of the speaker, hold his audiences in closest attention. His delineation and illustrations as to that which does and does not constitute a good citizen, are realistic, and portray the varied features of life to perfection. The duties, privileges and responsibilities of citizenship are set forth in such an earnest way as to make one feel that they cannot be shirked without bringing disaster to individual and community.

Remember, Mr. Gearhart will lecture at the J. L. H. Opera House next Saturday evening.

### That Creamery.

The question as to the advisability of installing a creamery plant at Cass City has been discussed considerably of late and all kinds of statements may be heard regarding the business. The proposition of the promoters who were here recently was rejected as it was learned that a first-class plant could be secured at a much lower price. An effort has been made to raise a reasonable amount of capital and secure such a plant but the interest does not appear to be sufficient to accomplish the object. Why this is so it is impossible for us to understand as it is a fact which cannot be gained that an Elgin creamery properly managed is a boon to farmers and townspeople as well. True, there have been failures, but have all mercantile ventures been financial successes? Because one merchant fails does the farmer declare he'll never patronize another? Are we to sit quietly down and say by so doing we cannot put enough upright business principle into such a venture to make it the success it is in many other places? We certainly have as good business ability in our midst as is to be found in other towns. What has brought Ontario to the front as an agricultural district? Ask any one familiar with the best sections of that Province and they will candidly say that the dairy business has been one of the greatest factors, yet they have no better grazing land than we, and in many places not nearly as good. The Elkton creamery last season paid out from \$1400 to \$1800 monthly and were able to invest \$900 in additional machinery and still declare a five per cent dividend. This is only one instance from many that could be cited. Information may readily be obtained from the Michigan Agricultural College and many other reliable sources which will go to show that generally speaking creameries are at the present time a success and it seems strange that our farmers must be deprived of this way of helping themselves because enough capital cannot be secured to start the wheels and test the matter thoroughly.

Investigate the question. It will stand it and come out the brighter. Don't assume that because one plant has not paid that the whole system is a colossal failure. Send for a copy of Hoard's Dairyman, published at Ft. Atkinson, Wis., or any other reliable dairy paper and read the statements from thoroughly reliable and responsible men. Don't merely ask questions and talk about it but gather information from reliable sources, do some figuring for yourself and you'll be convinced that we want a creamery and want it right away.

Biggle Swine Book is just as valuable for a man with one hog in a little sty as for a man with a hundred hogs feeding on the sheltered side of a barb wire fence. Its chapter on "Cholera" is alone worth ten times what the book cost. You ought to have it, the ENTERPRISE says so. The price is 50 cents, by mail; address the publishers, Wilmer Atkinson Co., Philadelphia.

J. Campau, Erd piano agent, expects to leave for Saginaw either Saturday or Monday to be absent a few weeks.

## W. A. FAIRWEATHER'S CARPET DEPARTMENT.

We wish to announce we have just added an immense new line of Carpets, Rugs and Floor Matting. All new and strictly up to date 1900. A full line of the following grades:

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|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Crown Wilton Velvet,     | All Wool 3 Ply,          |
| Best Body Brussels,      | Double Extra Super,      |
| Extra Axminsters,        | Kidderminster,           |
| Wilton Velvet,           | Extra Super Cotton Chain |
| Best Tapestry Brussels,  | Extra Super Union Chain, |
| Fine Tapestry Brussels,  | Ingrain Imperial.        |
| Medium Tapestry Brussel, |                          |

Parties wishing to purchase new Carpets for the Spring are requested to call and look our stock over before buying.

## W. A. FAIRWEATHER.

I Am Still On Earth

Don't forget we have a full line of School Supplies.

AT

Bond's

Drug Store.

and doing business in the same Practical way heretofore conducted by me. I am prepared to attend calls and funerals at any hour. My stock of Caskets, Coffins and Burial Robes is complete. Embalming scientifically executed. Two Hearses always in readiness. Branch offices: Argyle, J. McPhail; Gageton, D. Ashmore. Office opposite Opera House.

A. A. MCKENZIE,

Cass City.

## See Our New Goods Old Prices

In Ladies' Dongola Shoes \$1.25, 1.75, 2.00, 2.50, 3.00, 3.50.  
In Ladies' Box Calf Shoes..... \$2.00.  
In Ladies' Calf Shoes..... \$1.25, 1.50 and 2.00.  
Misses' Shoes..... \$1.00, 1.25, 1.50 and 2.00.  
Children's Shoes..... 40c., 50c., 60c., 75c., 90c., \$1.15, 1.50.  
Men's Shoes..... \$1.25, 1.50, 1.75, 2.00, 2.50, 3.00, 3.50 and 4.00.

We especially invite you to see our Men's River Shoes and our U. S. Army Shoes. We cannot take time and space here to mention our whole shoe line, but it goes without saying that we are the shoe dealers of Cass City. We have in our 1900 goods.

## DRY GOODS.

- NEW 3/4 Blue Percales at 6 cents per yard. Better than print.
- Prints—Blue, Red, Pink, Black and White at 5 to 7 cents.
- Cottons.
- Wash Dress Goods.
- Embroideries and Laces.

## GROCERIES.

A full line at right prices. Pail Strap 30 cents. Standard Navy Tobacco at better than 3 for 25c.

## LAING & JANES.

## Inventory Sale

For the next sixty days, We have a great many small lots to close out consisting of

Shoes, Rubbers, Hats and Caps.

At one half price, as we intend going out of these particular lines. We also have a fresh lot of CANNED GOODS which we are selling at old prices, all Number one stock. Remember we are in it on Teas.

Wood, Butter and Eggs wanted.

Frost & Hebblewhite.

CASS CITY ENTERPRISE.

A. A. P. McDowell, Publisher. CASS CITY, MICHIGAN.

It is worth noting, also, that the first English general who has earned promotion in South Africa is French.

Old man Joubert is adhering tenaciously to his promise to fight "to the last ditch, the last gun and the last man."

Nearly 200,000 valentines passed through the Chicago postoffice this year, and yet Chicago has been called a city with no sentiment above corned beef.

A Delaware woman who went away with another man while her husband was out doing the milking left a note saying: "Dear John—I have gone away with the man I love, and we will live happily. Don't hunt for us." But John is hunting for them with a gun, probably to prove that she was wrong for once. Some men take such a mean delight in robbing women of innocent peace.

A young minister who did not scruple to fish for compliments was once invited to take dinner with an old elder, as reticent as they make them. Manipulate the conversation as he would, the young man could not get his host to say "sermon," and at last he boldly introduced the important subject by remarking directly, "That was a fine text I had to-day." But the elder knew his man. "Oh, ay, there's naething wrang wif the text!"

England has more battleships and cruisers than France and Russia combined and more than Germany, Italy, United States and Japan combined. In torpedo boats she is inferior to France and but little superior to Russia. The Australians want to have a little navy, but objection is raised to this in England on the ground that the colonists would not insist upon having a voice in the disposition of the British fleet and might not be disposed to take a hand in all of the imperial wars.

The czar of Russia is not much in love with the grandeur in which he is compelled to live. He has no liking for a soldier's or sportsman's life, and is never more uncomfortable than when obliged to don the gorgeous uniform of some crack regiment of which he is colonel. He is fond of rowing, cycling, tennis and other quiet sports. His happiest moments are spent in his unpretentious library. The czar and his young wife have for their favorite domestic resort the small Alexander palace, at Czarskoe Selo. In the grounds of this palace is a queerly built pavilion, or summer house, which was designed by the great Catherine of Russia, and here the royal pair enjoy their meals unattended by servants. A sort of "trick table" sinks through the floor when each course is finished and reappears laid for the following course.

Curious as it may appear to many people, it is, nevertheless, extremely probable that the war in South Africa may have the effect of giving an immense stimulus to mule breeding in Great Britain. The truth is that the military authorities have discovered that the demand for really eligible mules far exceeds the supply, and as it is evident to the public that the prices paid for such animals are remunerative, it is pretty certain that the lesson will receive the attention it deserves. In this country the mule is highly valued for heavy draught work. When it is also borne in mind that the mule can exist well where a horse would well-nigh starve, that he is the most healthy of animals and a willing worker, in spite of all the jokes which are made on the score of the obstinacy displayed by some mules, there can be no gainsaying the fact that he is a useful beast.

A recent commercial report shows the intimate relation between weather and business. The unusually mild temperature has had its effect in many ways. The smaller sale of shoes is attributed to the mildness of the weather, and the absence of rain and the slight fall of snow have resulted in the shut-down of some rubber factories. The sale of overshoes, rubber boots, and mackintoshes is much less than ever before. The ice business is affected, the cut in most localities being small and giving promise of a small crop, with dearer prices in the summer. The scarcity of snow in the northwest is decreasing the log cut. Drought in New England resulted in a shortage of water in the little streams that furnish power to the cotton and other mills, causing many of them to shut down. This was followed by floods that brought too high a level and kept the mills still closed. Warm weather being responsible for scarcity of ice and lumber, one would think it would result in a decreased price of coal, but, strangely enough, this has not followed.

In addition to the known wealth of the Philippine islands it is pointed out in a monograph just published in Germany that they are among the few places on earth where the trees from which gutta-percha is procured will flourish. This material is indispensable for covering sub-marine cables and electric wires and for many other uses, says the Army and Navy Journal. No substitute has been found, and the supply drawn from Sumatra and Borneo is almost entirely exhausted through the wasteful methods employed in gathering it.

WROTE "IN HIS STEPS"

AND GAVE REFORM MOVEMENT A START.

Rev. Sheldon of Topeka is One of the Most Original Preachers in the Country—Believes in Less Preaching and More Practice.

Rev. Charles M. Sheldon of Topeka, Kan., is probably the most original and unique figure in the religious world today. He first attracted attention by his novel, "In His Steps." When people began to study him they found him remarkably interesting. He is a man of marvelous resources and is simple and direct in his manner of doing things. He has applied these characteristics of simplicity and directness in his method of conducting the Central Congregational church of Topeka, of which he is pastor. A radical departure of Dr. Sheldon from accepted form is his method of conducting Sunday evening service. Instead of the conventional sermon he has for a long time given readings from original religious novels, bringing home to the congregation the truths and beauties of the better life in this way. These novels are published after the congregation has heard them, and some of them have had a phenomenal sale.

For some time after Dr. Sheldon in-



REV. CHARLES M. SHELDON.

roduced his innovation of pulpit readings he was assailed with criticisms from many quarters. The most common judgment passed upon him was that he sought notoriety and that he was eccentric. In Topeka Dr. Sheldon is known to be sincere in his efforts to do good in all that he undertakes, and his admirable personality disarms any criticism on the score of eccentricity. To acquaint himself with the actual life of the classes with which he seldom had opportunity to come in close contact Dr. Sheldon has spent much of his time in mixing with those of humble station. Not long ago he asked his congregation for a vacation of three months with the exception of Sundays. It was not known what he was doing during that time, but it transpired that poorer classes. He established a social settlement in "Tennessee-town," (so he gave himself up to work among the negro quarter of the city, and has been doing much to raise the people to a respectability they had not dreamed of. He spent several days with each of the different classes of people of the city. One week he traveled through the state on freight and stock trains in the disguise of a railroad man. Another week he spent as a reporter on one of the daily papers that he might see the various phases of life from that viewpoint. He mixed with lawyers, doctors, business men, street car men and the laboring classes.

WHEN HANNA WORE WHISKERS.



Here is a most interesting and remarkable photograph of Senator Mark Hanna, which was taken by Mr. A. L. Newman of the Cleveland Plaindealer's staff, from an old painting. This is the first time that the public at large have been permitted to see how this well-known man looked under hirsute conditions.

His latest move was to obtain absolute control for one week of a Topeka daily paper.

A BIG WAR AT HAND.

Little Short of a Miracle Can Prevent That Misfortune.

War between Russia and Japan is looked for as inevitable by the naval officers of those countries who have been nearest the probable scene of future operations, says Lieut. W. Romanoff, of the Imperial Russian navy, who is now in this country. Just how soon such a war may begin it is difficult to say, but events little short of miraculous must occur to avert it. The Japanese are building warships as rapidly as possible, in anticipation of the outbreak of hostilities, and Russia is strengthening her navy as fast as she can. That Russia must have a naval base between Port Arthur and Vladivostok is conceded, and that she will try to get one in Korea is certain. In the event of such a war it is considered probable in Russian naval circles that Russia will have the aid of Germany and that England will take the other side. European war will follow the outbreak of hostilities between Russia and Japan. The movement of Russian troops toward the Afghanistan and British India borders, the mobilization of transcaucasian troops at Baku and Herat, and other military maneuverings on the part of Russia, are taken by official Russia to mean the beginning of a movement to eliminate English influence in territory hitherto held by her, beginning at Kabul. It is certain that England will have to fight to retain her territory in the east.

WHITE SLAVERY IN EARLY DAYS

Servants Were Bought and Sold by the American Colonists.

Alongside the development of the tobacco industry there had grown up in the south an extensive system of slavery. To our minds today the word "slave," as applied to this continent, is practically synonymous with "negro," but slavery in the colonial days was not by any means confined to the negro race. The indentured servants who could be bought and sold, formed no inconsiderable class in the colonies. For the most part these people were English laborers who sold their services for a certain number of years to pay for their passage to the plantations. Many of them were ex-convicts or persons of broken fortunes who in a fit of recklessness had plunged themselves into the abyss, trusting to luck that they might come up in a better plight in a new world. Sometimes gangs of these unfortunate were driven from place to place for sale. The colonists not inappropriately called the masters of such gangs "soul drivers," and, despite the fact that these white slaves were purchased by the planters for their services, the dealers engaged in such a traffic as a business but received little sympathy from the people. The story is told of one master who, after selling all of his gang except one young Irishman drank himself into a heavy sleep and awoke the next day to find that the son of Erin had represented himself as the master, sold his drunken owner and made off with the proceeds of the sale.—Self-Culture.

Boers Have Barrels of Money.

Some notion of the power possessed by the Boers may be gathered from the statement that Dr. Leyds, the Transvaal agent in Europe, is given \$8,000,000 per annum to spend in his work abroad. It appears that the immense quantity of barbed wire purchased to "fence the Netherlands railway" in the republic was never intended for such a life-saving purpose. It is being used now to stop the British from advancing from their own territory.

TALMAGE'S SERMON.

"PRODIGAL SONS," THE LATEST SUBJECT DISCUSSED.

From Luke XV:13 as Follows: "The Younger Son Gathered All Together and Took His Journey Into a Far Country."

"Today the old homestead is turned upside down. One of the boys, the younger, is about to leave the parental roof. The eaglet is tired of being warmed by the wings of the old birds and with ruffled feathers stands upon the edge of the eyrie ready to fly off. It is a sad sight to see a home being broken up. When the children are about to say goodby to the families laugh, talk and joke up to the last moment, but they are only trying to keep the courage up. Even the wedding bells weep as well as chime. The guests may congratulate you upon having gained a son or a daughter, but you know that it is a mockery, though you do smile through your tears. From now on the daughter will never be the same again. She has gone to make her own home, to build her own nest, rear her own young and live her own life. Instead of belonging to you she is another's. Instead of you being first, now you are last.

"After the wedding of a very dear friend and the worn slipper and the rice had been thrown, and the bride and bridegroom started, I followed the old gray-haired father down to the garden gate, and there we stood alone in the moonlight. 'Yes, Frank,' he said, 'I know she has married a good man, but she was my youngest, and it breaks the heart, it breaks the heart.' Children are born, grow up into young manhood and womanhood, and just when it seems the parents cannot get along without them, off they go. Death knocks at the door and carries away some. Love hovers about the spring flowers and breathes through the orange blossoms and weeps others. Business calls and duty beckons until the old nursery is silent and there are rooms to let in the homestead which once resounded with the young people's voices.

Mother Who Grieves.

"Such is the sense of my text. The mother did not sleep much last night. Though she tries to look cheerful her eyes are very red. Every little while she disappears into the pantry or goes upstairs. She makes an excuse as though looking for something, but we know it is only to have a good cry. The father is giving his last instructions and handing the young traveler some letters of introduction to a prominent merchant with whom the son will lodge in the next town. There is a noise at the gate. The servants are bringing out the horses and strapping the baggage upon the pack mules. They talk in subdued whispers. Even they feel sorry. The young 'massa' was a happy, jolly, go-lucky boy, and always had a cheerful and kind word for the hostlers. The only creature who seems to be merry-making this morning is the yellow dog. He frisks about, barking and yelping, thinking he is to follow the sportsman on a week's hunt. But his hilarity is stopped when some one shies a stone at the brute and shouts: 'Go back to the barn!' Slowly he crawls back with tail and head lowered in abject woe. He stops now and then as if expecting to hear the familiar call. Perhaps he realizes for the first time he is taking a last farewell. I always did believe a bright dog was smarter than a stupid man. But the farewell words are now being said. The father has given his benediction. We must turn aside a little, while the mother has her last convulsive clasp. These are the snapping of heart strings. A mother can never realize the baby she once rocked in a cradle can grow to be a man.

"People who have stood upon the wharf at Queenstown and heard the Irish peasant's moan when the young emigrant steps into the boat to take steamer for America know what I mean. There is only one cry similar to it. That is, when a family draped in heavy black push back the veils to take a last lingering look at the silent form, sleeping in the casket, when the undertaker stands impatiently behind.

Youth Rides Away. "But suddenly the young man breaks away. He leaps into the saddle. The spurs cut deep. The parents shout their affectionate adieux to the horseman dashing off. Then they wave and throw kisses. The old father now wipes his face vigorously with a handkerchief and scolds the servants and sends them off, because he does not want them to see him cry. As the horse disappears over the last hill the old mother buries her head on her husband's neck and sobs as if her heart would break. He tenderly puts his arm about her and draws her toward the house. Slowly they walk up the tree-arched path. They stop a moment on the first step to glance for the last time down the road. Slowly, with a sigh, the father opens the door. The men go back to the work, the women back to the kitchen; the domestic machinery is started and the neighbors say it is merely the natural order of things for the younger son to gather all together and take his journey into a far country.

"Lesson the first: This journey of the prodigal son into a far country is a divine protest against making sin attractive. The far country was evidently the land of sin. By this Jesus does not mean every young man who starts away from home is bad. But if we carefully study the parable we can read between the lines how the younger son was restless. Like a bird he felt his wings clipped by the control of the

old folks. He could not be out with his friends as late as he thought he ought to be. Some of the entertainments he attended were questionable. He feared a meddlesome neighbor might report him. He was too old to be punished and yet not old enough to take care of himself. He decided to leave his old-fashioned father and mother and the strict rules of the homestead. These are the reasons of the departure.

"Christ does not enter into a disgusting description of what the young man did. He does not picture him among the gay aristocrats of the new town, opening the best bottles of wine, driving the fastest horses, and living with evil companions whom he dare not introduce to his sisters. He does not describe him in some lewd dance hall, intoxicated with flattery as much as with wine. He does not have a palace of Circe filled with princes and princesses, the walls pictured, the floors of mosaic, the banquet table groaning under the weight of gold and silver as well as fruits and viands.

Parable Omits Details.

"He does not trace him on and on, running into debt, having his friends leaving him one by one, as humming birds with their pretty wings will flutter away from a flower as soon as the honey is gone. He does not describe him at last so poor that he is begging alongside of the beggars whom he once cursed in the street. No, Jesus covers up the months of wassail, libertinism, and conviviality with the simple sentence of my text 'The younger son gathered all together and took his journey into a far country.' In Christ's parable it is only one step from the father's house to a swine's trough.

"The trouble with many so-called Christian teachers is that we put a halo over sin and talk too much about water nymphs, fairies, seamstresses, denizens of the air, sylphs, spirits and flaxen-haired goddesses. We picture temptation as a dream of beauty seated upon the rim of a cloud. She holds in one hand a pack of cards and in the other a chalice of wine. The colors of her cheek, the flowers caught in the folds of the garment clinging about her little form make her look so innocent one can't help loving her, even though she may be bad.

"The great criticism against John Milton is that he introduces his Satan as a very respectable sort of a gentleman. Supposing tonight I should attack a certain infidel book or a vile French novel and mention the book by name and the author, and tell you under no condition to read it; that if you did you would blast your soul for time and eternity. What would be the result? Tomorrow morning fifty or one hundred of the young people sitting before me would arise early and take the first car down town and hurry to the publishers and buy that very book, merely because the preacher told you not to read it. That is human nature. "What is the greatest damage a newspaper can do a man? Attack him? No! That always does an innocent public man good. The harder the newspaper denounces, the more prominent the man becomes. The worst insult the newspapers can give is to simply ignore a man. Never mention his name. Treat him as if he was not worth noticing. The most awful contempt you can hurl at an enemy is silence, complete silence, never-ending silence.

Not Satan's Bulletin Board.

"Refuse to allow your back to be Satan's bulletin board. Pose not before a community as a reformed drunkard, or an evangelized thief. If you once had a diseased tongue, please do not tell it. If you were once debauched with social filth, we do not want to know it. Talk not about the gilded saloons and bacchanalian feasts and the good times you used to have before you joined the church and married and gave up all fun. Throw not the coat of many colors over licentiousness and sinner black over virtue. Leave evil advertisements alone. With one plunge jump from the highest mountain of inspiration into the lowest depths of despair with the simple sentence, 'And he went into a far country.'

"In the next place, learn that the prodigal of my text went into the far country because the father was too lenient, and divided unto him his living. Of course, we all know the great teaching of this parable was to show God's mercy; how, as a broken-hearted parent he is longing for the wayward child to come home. But there are many minor truths as well as the major one. All the gold taken from the mines is not poured into the same mold. The chisel of Michael Angelo can cut a curly-headed shepherd boy as well as the long, flowing beard and swarthy muscles of the Jewish lawgiver. The wheels in a factory should not be despised because they do not revolve the one way.

"Mr. Moody said: 'This father ought to be censured. He could not have done a greater unkindness to the boy than to give the younger son his goods and money and let him go. A true father would have said to such a contemptible filial spirit, 'Go and earn your own portion by the sweat of your brow.' Yet hundreds of parents are making the same mistake every day. Try as hard as the loving heart may, we are very apt to be partial to the babies. When the young couple stand at the marriage altar, hope and poverty generally clasp hands. The first children who sleep in the cradle have to take their share of struggle for daily bread. But when the youngest babies are born the parents often have a foothold. Servants now clean the house and run the errands and care for the shoes. To use a worn-out figure, the younger son lies on a bed of roses.

Selfishness of Children.

"But some one says this prodigal son is the exception. Most children would not take selfish advantage of their parents in that way. Kindness always woos kindness and love love. We fear you are in error. Most of the children are just what the parents make them. Have you ever had a sister get married? No sooner is she engaged than she starts around the house laying claim to everything. If she has painted a piece of crockery or embroidered a pillow cushion or played upon a piano, they are all hers. She says, 'This is mine and that is mine and the other thing is mine.' When the bride leaves the old homestead the stout craftsmen have hard work to shove down the lid of the bridal trunk to make the key turn in the lock. Every child's marriage strips the father's house.

"William Shakespeare was the most inspired writer who ever lived outside of Holy Writ. He seemed to know everything. When he soliloquized over a skull you could see the awful grinding teeth and empty eye sockets and the gloomy graveyard, even though you do not watch the tragedy in a theater. 'The Taming of the Shrew' could teach many of our legislators about the whipping-post ought not to be obsolete in our treatment of social irritants. In the sins of Lady Macbeth all the evil deeds of life seem to make the very fingers soak the blood.

"When you think of the injustice toward the Jew in 'The Merchant of Venice,' we hear poor Shylock turn upon his persecutors and demand a pound of Antonio's flesh in revenge for stealing his daughter. What is William Shakespeare's testimony in reference to children who have been brought up by too lenient parents? When King Lear as king had the two daughters at his feet; when the two daughters were queens the poor old man was driven from house to house. "Lastly, learn when the young prodigal gathered all together and took his journey into the far country he left his mother as well as his father. Some preachers go so far as to suppose this boy did not have a mother. The parable mentions her not. Perhaps on account of the dissipations of the younger son the mother's hairs prematurely silvered. Then, like the blossoming of the almond tree, became as white as snow. The long, deep wrinkles grew deeper; the eye sadder; the lip more ready to quiver. The doctors said she was worrying about something. One day the old trouble came. There was an awful cry, as the spasm of the heart clutched at her life, and she was dead. This interpretation may be true, but we do not think so, and you and I have just as much right to our opinion as others have to theirs.

"In the first place, the man is at the head of the house. By the eastern custom he alone is mentioned. The Bible tells us that Christ was to be born of Mary the Virgin. Yet in the two distinct genealogical tables of the New Testament, the one in Matthew and the other in Luke, only the genealogical table of Joseph is given; the one tracing the family history from God down to the manger, the other from the manger back to God.

Old Home Recalled.

"Shall I describe a scene which happened last night? No, it was not in Chicago. Not in that low saloon or cheap theater where you were playing billiards and gambling away your life. The scene was way back in the country. You remember the old farm, the white house, the pillared porch, the big barn in the rear, the wood pile to the left of the kitchen door. The hens are now running around begging for food because the earth is a frozen tump in which the worms have gone to sleep for the winter. It is about evening, and an old woman, an old gray-haired woman, is cooking over the kitchen stove. She looks thinner than when you saw her last. The neighbors say she is aging very rapidly and will not live long. An old man comes in and stamps the snow off his great boots. The woman, this gray-haired woman, looks up and says, 'Pa, have you a letter? Have you been to the postoffice? Is it not strange he has not written? He has been gone five long years. Do you think God will let me live long enough to see him just once before I go?'

"The old man says nothing, but goes to the door and looks down the road. He shades his eyes as if he could see a great way off. Then he turns and says, 'Mother, that is a fine calf we have here in the barnyard. She is getting fatter each day. We must kill her soon. Perhaps we can have a big feast if our boy ever comes home.'

"They sit by the fire a little while after the dishes are wiped. Their evening talk is soon ended. They are so tired they cannot stay up late. They are too tired to sleep. Then they take the old Bible and the mother says, 'Pa, won't you read that story of the prodigal son? Somehow I never can hear it enough. You read it last night. It is in the fifteenth chapter of Luke. About the younger son that went away and starved and was too proud to come home? When home to a parental heart without the boy was even a more desolate place than the pig pen was where her boy was starving. "Then they knelt. As they prayed the little candle-light began to flicker in sympathy. The tears trickled down through the four withered hands. Thus the two tottering old folks stand upon their knees pleading with God until an angel in heaven could hear their grief no longer, and he fluttered away and whispered to me the secret that I am now telling you. Boy, will you not go home? Before they are dead go home and leave this far country of sin, even this wicked, selfish city, where we now live."

A FIERCE HAMATSA.

SOON TO FROWN ON NEW YORK WONDER MONGERS.

Will Be Brought all the Way From Vancouver and May Be Sent to the Paris Exposition—Chief of the Cannibals of the North Pacific.

(Special Letter.)

An attempt is to be made to bring to New York from Vancouver for scientific purposes a specimen of the hamatza. This queer freak is a vastly different institution from the hamatna, to whom he is the antithesis in the spiritual world.

From physiological as well as from psychological points of view he will be the most interesting study which has been brought before civilization in many years. He has been discovered by a scientist of international reputation, and will possibly be shown in the ethnological section of the Paris exposition. The hamatza belongs to one of the tribes of North American Indians known as the Kwakwitis, and is the deified monster who is the chief feature or performer at the wolf dance, which is part of their religious ceremonial. This ceremonial is the quaintest and queerest affair which the mind of man ever devised. The dancers of the tribe attire themselves in blankets and headgear representing the wolf. While the preliminary ceremonies are going on they hide behind a screen hung in the rear of their outlandish temple. When the singers commence their incantation the "wolves" issue from the right-hand side of the curtain and disappear at the other after the dance. Other features of their ritual have to be observed, and during the progress of them when one of the singers makes a mistake in the rhythm of their song, in the way they turn, smile or chew gum, the members of the wolf society, who are led by the hamatza, jump from their seats and bite and scratch the delinquent. He drops down at once and feigns fainting, which is the signal for the wolves to surround him, when he mysteriously disappears. This shows that a spirit has taken him away to initiate him. The hamatza is the chief of the dancers and is regarded as a cannibal by instinct, with an inveterate desire to eat men. His actions are



A HAMATSA.

not as fierce as formerly, but he still shows his bloodthirstiness by making an incision in his victim's arm and sucking all the blood he can from it. Formerly, when he attacked, he bit pieces out of arms and chests, and when he reached a condition of ecstasy slaves were killed for him and he actually devoured them.

Correct Facial Angles.

As a rule, the greatest facial angle belongs to those of a refined and intellectual nature; the average is about 80 degrees. In some of the Grecian statues it is as high as 100 degrees, but the Romans rarely represented it over 95 degrees. It was the Dutch connoisseur Camper who first used the term facial angle—that angle which is formed when a straight line is drawn from the middle of the forehead to the point of juncture of the nose and lip, where it is met by another imaginary line crossing from the opening of the ear. To form an opinion as to one's intellectual capacity, their profile or facial angle must be studied. The average height of a man of the Anglo-Saxon race is 5 feet 6 inches and the average weight 140 pounds. Their weight is greatest at 45 years of age. Early grayness without business is a indication of a long life. Persons naturally thin are apt to live longer than those who are fat. This knowledge may be a source of satisfaction to those of a lean and hungry aspect, like Cassius. The average height of women of the Anglo-Saxon race is five feet two inches and the average weight 117 pounds. Their weight is greatest at fifty years of age.

Empress Dowager of China.

The empress dowager of China is described by an English lady, who has spent the greater part of her time in the celestial empire, as a much more remarkable woman than most Europeans suppose. She is an ardent painter, and her pictures are said to be admirable specimens of Chinese art. Strange as it may seem, her majesty is also said to be fond of wrestling, and frequently indulges in this rather virile form of exercise. She is well read, is fond of European music, and has some skill as a pianist. She is said, both by her friends and enemies, to be absolutely without any sense of fear, and, needless to say, her life has been attempted a number of times.

Trust.

She—I suppose she has a perfect trust in you? He—Trust? She has a monopoly of me, that's what you mean.



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### Societies.

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ROY ALLEN, Sec. Sec. T. SCHENCK, C. R. 3-11-17

#### I. O. O. F.

CASS CITY LODGE, No. 206, meets every Wednesday evening at 7:30. Visiting brethren cordially invited. M. L. MOORE, Secretary.

#### K. O. T. M.

CASS CITY TENT, No. 74, meets the first and third Friday evenings of each month, at 7:30. Visiting Sir Knights cordially invited. A. A. P. McDOWELL, Record Keeper.

### Church Directory.

BAPTIST.—Preaching services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. on Sunday. Sunday school at 11 a. m. Prayer meeting on Thursday evening. Rev. E. Rossbrook, Pastor.

EVANGELICAL.—Services begin with Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Preaching services, 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Y. P. meeting 6:30 p. m. English services every Sunday evening. All invited. Rev. F. Kluge, Pastor.

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### ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE.

In the matter of the estate of Penelope Callard, deceased. Notice is hereby given, that in pursuance and by virtue of an order granted to the undersigned, as administrator of the estate of said Penelope Callard by the Hon. J. C. Laing, Judge of Probate in and for said County, on the 15th day of December, A. D. 1916, there will be sold at public vendue, to the highest bidder, at the premises in the Village of Cass City, in said County, on Friday, the 22nd day of February, A. D. 1917, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon of said day all the right, title and interest of said Penelope Callard in and to the following described lands and premises, situated in the Village of Cass City, County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, to-wit: Lot six (6), block sixteen (16), of Seegar's Addition to the Village of Cass City.

NELSON A. PERRY, Administrator of the estate of Penelope Callard. Dated Jan. 30th, A. D. 1917. 3-2-17. Sale adjourned until March 10th at three o'clock p. m.

### EAST NOVESTA.

Last week's correspondence. Renzo Palmateer is preparing to brick veneer his house.

Miss Millie Moshier has returned to her home in South Novesta.

Mr. and Mrs. George Dewey were callers in South Novesta Monday.

Israel Palmateer visited his sister, Mrs. T. Colwell, at Noko, on Sunday.

Mrs. J. H. Coulter visited her parental home in south Novesta on Sunday.

Geo. Dewey is still very poorly. Dr. Byers, of Novesta, is treating him at present.

Miss Jennie Rutherford, of Deford, is helping Mrs. L. H. Palmateer for a few weeks.

Miss Millie Hiltz, of Greenleaf, is being entertained by Miss Nora Hessley this week.

Lorenzo Palmateer tramps along with a high and weighty tread. All because of that boy.

Loretta, little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Leonard, is very ill with inflammation of the lungs.

Revival meetings are being held by Rev. Selloff and Rev. Vancuren in the M. E. Church at present.

Miss Emma Brown has returned to her home here after working in Cass City the past four months.

John O'Rourke has returned to his home in Grand Rapids after visiting friends here for some time.

We are not at all surprised at our good brother of Deford patching up his patience with little patches, as we always judge the future by the past.

Edith Mabel, the five months' old baby of George and Lizzie Darling died of pneumonia on Feb. 12th. The parents have the sympathy of all in their sad affliction.

There seems to be quite a lot of sickness in Agar's camp at present. Some are suffering with frozen toes while others are wrestling with sore throat, while another is somewhat in disrepair by eating too much.

The wedding bells we mentioned some time ago have rang out loud and merrily for Miss Libbie McComb, of Novesta, and John Haley, of Evergreen, were united in the holy bonds of wedlock on Feb. 7th at Sanilac Center. Mr. and Mrs. Haley spent a week visiting friends at Carsonville, but have returned to their home in Evergreen. We extend congratulations.

Mrs. Calvin Zimmerman, Milesburg, Pa., says, "As a speedy cure for coughs, colds, croup and sore throat One Minute Cough Cure is unequalled. It is pleasant for children to take. I heartily recommend it to mothers." It is the only harmless remedy that produces immediate results. It cures bronchitis, pneumonia, croup and throat and lung diseases. It will prevent consumption. Bond's Drug Store.

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### HAY CREEK.

Thomas Grave is home from the woods.

Ira Herron is some better at this writing.

Roy Marshall is recovering at this writing.

Joseph Cornfoot is the proud possessor of a new saddle.

Alice, daughter of Mr. Douglas, is very sick at present.

Robert McQueen is drilling a well for D. Henry this week.

Mr. Hoag wears a broad grin this week. Go see the twins.

Walter Cornfoot attended the donation party at Mrs. Avery's the 23rd.

Miss Nellie Chilton, of Canada, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Jas. Cornfoot.

Miss Wilson, of the Star school, visited the Hay Creek school Friday.

W. M. Turnbull and family started for Canada Friday where he has purchased a farm.

An oyster supper was held in connection with the dance at Argyle the 22nd. An enjoyable time was reported.

"I used Kodol Dyspepsia Cure in my family with wonderful results. It gives immediate relief, is pleasant to take and is truly the dyspeptic's best friend," says E. Hartgerink, Overisel, Mich. Digests what you eat. Cannot fail to cure. Bond's Drug Store.

Suffering Rarely Equalled. Frontier, Mich. Mr. W. D. Bailey, a well-known merchant of this place, says: "I would be very ungrateful not to make known what Dr. Chase's Ointment has done for me. For upwards of 15 years I have suffered untold misery with the piles. I have been treated and operated upon repeatedly without result, and for five years have had to inject warm water in order to pass anything without almost killing me. One day seeing Dr. Chase's advertisement, I wrote him about my case and he sent me a box of Ointment. I used it as directed and now six months later, I can safely say that I am perfectly cured."

Dr. A. W. Chase's Ointment is positively guaranteed to cure piles in any form, eczema, salt rheum and any of the terrible itching skin diseases now so common. A free sample box will be given to any sufferer who will enclose stamp for postage, 50c. a box, all druggists, or Dr. A. W. Chase Med. Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

### LINKVILLE.

Milo Cummings lost a cow on Monday.

J. Taylor, of near Cass City, was in town on Wednesday last week.

Mrs. Wm. Gage spent a portion of this week with her parents in Brookfield.

Henry Rathing is reported as being very sick with inflammation of the brain.

George Lenox has been entertaining his brother-in-law, Mr. Frasier, of Akron.

Every one that has any teaming to do are right at it now. They have been looking for snow for so long it is highly appreciated by all.

The team which is being used for decking at the stove mill, left the boys on Tuesday and ran at full speed down the railroad track, but were caught and no damage done.

Mrs. Clark Taylor, of Akron, who was visiting friends and relatives around here last week, returned home on Saturday last being accompanied by her sister Miss Maggie Kirby.

Wm. Orr, Newark, O., says, "We never feel safe without One Minute Cough Cure in the house. It saved my little boy's life when he had the pneumonia. We think it is the best medicine made." It cures coughs and all lung diseases. Pleasant to take, harmless and gives immediate results. Bond's Drug Store.

Banker Routs a Robber. J. B. Garrison, Cashier of the bank of Thornville, Ohio, had been robbed of health by a serious lung trouble until he tried Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. Then he wrote: "It is the best medicine I ever used for a severe cold or a bad case of lung trouble. I always keep a bottle on hand." Don't suffer with Coughs, Colds, or any throat, Chest or Lung trouble when you can be cured so easily. Only 50c. and \$1.00. Trial bottles free at T. H. Fritz's Drug Store.

Miss Ida Freiburger is on the sick list.

Dr. McNaughton and wife were in Cass City one day last week.

Mrs. Tom Sandhem called on friends in town last week Friday.

The Star school is preparing for an entertainment to be held March 9.

Miss Ethel Bond, of Cass City, visited her sister, Mrs. McPhail, over Sunday.

The Ladies' Aid meet at Mrs. I. Seeder's this week Wednesday a special.

A little daughter arrived at the home of John McPhail and wife on Sunday morning, Feb. 25.

Quite a number of Cass Cityites passed through here last week Wednesday enroute for Sanilac Center to attend the party there that evening.

He Fooled The Surgeons. All doctors told Renick Hamilton, of West Jefferson, Ohio, after suffering 18 months from Rectal Fistula, he would die unless a costly operation was performed; but he cured himself with Bucklen's Arnica Salve, the best in the World. Use it five times on earth. 25c. a box, at T. H. Fritz's Drug Store.

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### DEFORD.

Elmer Bruce is on the gain.

George Martin is much better.

Orson Valentine is on the sick list.

J. C. McCain is still in poor health.

Wm. Schenck has gone to Almont for a visit.

Jake Hildebrand now gleans with the Gleaners.

Dave Valentine has passed the week in Lapeer county.

Drifts upon drifts and sleighing not worthy of the name.

A. W. Canfield, of Avoca, St. Clair county, is in this locality.

Loren Martin, of St. Clair county, visits his brother, George.

There was an immense lot of weather in a day like last Saturday.

Peter Daugherty is home from Detroit for a week's stay with his family.

Thomas O'Rourke is under the weather, so as to speak, with a severe cold.

There was a slight misunderstanding about work with two business men of Novesta.

Hiram Goodrich hauls wood from the low lands of L. W. Vorhes when there is "sledding."

Alonso Beamer has sold his 40 acres on Section 11, Kingston, to M. D. Mills, of Novesta.

Old Mr. Wilkinson, of Novesta Corners, suffers from a stroke. His life is despaired of.

Roberts & Co., clover hullers are pounding out the seed on the town line south east of here.

The heads that wear the crowns in this world are not always the heads most worthy of a crown.

Wm. Goodman of Clare, Clare county and known at one time by many now in this locality, is dead.

Yes, Andrew is hustling, and every man in Kingston who has not paid his taxes must come to time on the jump.

Withing a radius of one-half mile from where we write we can count thirteen of our fellow mortals that are so ill as to be confined to the house.

Civil politeness in a good natured way, governed with good sense, is good manners. We don't care a fig for the rules laid down by the feathery headed trash.

Wm. Schenck compares himself unto Job of old. "The true he is smitten with boils but here the comparison ceases. Neither in daily walk nor meek patience can we compare him to the man of sacred history.

George Martin, from Novesta, received word from Avoca, St. Clair county, last Tuesday of his mother's death on that day. Sickness prevented him from attending the funeral which took place on Thursday last.

What makes time short to men? Activity. What makes it long and spiritless? Idleness. What brings us in debt? To delay and forget. What makes us succeed? Decision with speed. How to fame to ascend? One's self to defend.

We have never thought nor do we now consider there is any discount on the British soldier and we have thought the Boers seemingly greater ability was because they were on the field first and held advantageous ground. Now as we read that Gen. Cronge was on retreat and could not select his position and had only 8000 men, Gen. Roberts surrounds him with 50,000 British soldiers, yet he is not taken after three days fighting, we are forced to the conclusion that no better material can be put into a soldier than is built in the South African Boer.

Brother Robert Vance is a large powerful man and he strikes the eye as a peculiar figure, when he moves out with a medicine chest about the size of a cigar box, selling herb tablets for women who have injured health by tight lacing and men who have knocked their liver out of gear by allowing their temper to run at large without a governor.

Some of the papers tells us that the exact day of Washington's birth is not kept because of the change of time. It is of small consequence if we deviate a few days from the exact time, but let every citizen of the land ever show that he remembers that Washington was the defender of his country, the founder of Liberty, the friend of man, bequeathing to posterity the inheritance of his fame, and building his monument in the hearts of his countrymen. To honor the name of Washington is to honor ourselves. To forget him is a crime.

Dear Shabbona correspondent to Cass City Chronicle. You well know we would forgive you for your little swipe at us in last week's issue. We are more than thankful you let us off so easily—had you balanced to us with a link of your poetry our wife would to-day be decked in widows weeds. Why don't you strike a co-partnership with Rudyard Kipling and point for South Africa? "Kip" is a bard of no mean ability, even in the single harness and with a running mate like yourself the world would be electrified 'till all its tribulations would be forgotten.

The Montreal (Can.) Family Herald and Weekly Star in an article headed "The world's debts to Britain" says: "Britain's own National debt of \$650, 100,000 hangs heavy on her neck, but she could pay it off tomorrow if all the debts owing to her were called in. Then enumerating the nations that owe Britain it tells us that we are in debt to her \$20,000,000. I have no doubt but this will be news to many Readers, I confess it was to me as I supposed our debts were all held by individual purchases of our bonds, Turkey is Britain's greatest debtor while France, Russia and Austria owe her no insignificant sums.

A Fiendish Attack. An attack was lately made on C. F. Collier of Cherokee, Iowa, that nearly proved fatal. It came through his kidneys. His back got so sore he could not stoop without great pain, nor sit in a chair except propped by cushions. No remedy helped him until he tried Electro Bitters which effected such a wonderful change that he writes he feels like a new man. This marvelous medicine cures headache and kidney trouble, purifies the blood and builds up your health. Only 50c. at T. H. Fritz's Drug Store.

Rev. W. E. Sitzer, W. Canton, N. Y., writes, "I had dyspepsia over twenty years, and tried doctors and medicines without benefit. I was persuaded to use Kodol Dyspepsia Cure and it helped me from the start. I believe it to be a panacea for all forms of indigestion," it digests what you eat. Bond's Drug Store.

Chas. Czapia while unloading a car of freight at the Pigeon Cold Storage met with a very painful accident Wednesday which will confine him to the house for several weeks. While he was crossing the plank from the car to the building it slipped and he fell on some ties, the result of which he had three ribs split. At this writing he is getting along as well as can be expected.—Pigeon Progress.

Recommended for La Grippe. N. Jackson, Danville, Ill., writes. My daughter had a severe attack of La Grippe seven years ago and since then whenever she takes cold a terrible cough settles on her lungs. We tried a great many remedies without giving relief. She tried Foley's Honey and Tar which cured her. She has never been troubled with a cough since. 25c and 50c. T. H. Fritz, Cass City; F. A. Francis, Kingston.

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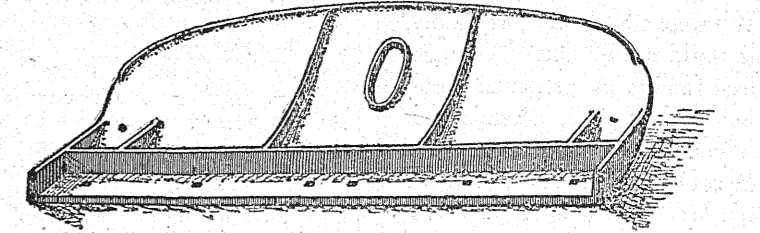
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Advertisements will be inserted under this heading for three cents per line each week.

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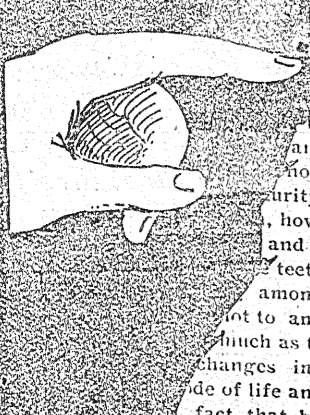
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### Kidney Diseases

**CURED THAT HAD BEEN pronounced incurable**

Mr. G. A. Stillson, a merchant of Tampico, Ill., writes: **FOLEY'S KIDNEY CURE** is meeting with wonderful success. It has cured some cases here that physicians pronounced incurable. I, myself am able to testify to its merits. My face to day is a living picture of health, and your Kidney Cure has made it such. I had suffered twenty-seven years with the disease, and to day I feel ten years younger than I did one year ago. I can obtain some wonderful certificates of its medical qualities.



Many persons have kidney disorder of some sort and do not know it. They take all kinds of treatment for various sicknesses (which are only the misunderstood symptoms of kidney disease) without reaching the root of their troubles.

Foley's Kidney Cure is unconditionally guaranteed to bring health to the kidneys, and through them, to the whole body. Try it to-day and ask for your money back if it does not cure.

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**BANNER SALVE** is the surest, safest and quickest cure for piles. The first application will bring a feeling of comfort you will be thankful for. It is also best for burns and bruises, cuts and corns, salt rheum, tetter and all skin diseases.

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### WEST ELWOOD.

Twelve below zero Monday morning. A case of measles at John L. Winchester's.

A. quilting bee at J. Dillou's on Wednesday.

No Thursday evening prayer meeting owing to bad weather.

Miss Cordelia Cross visited at E. Simmon's on Thursday.

Several from this vicinity are hauling wood to Carot at present.

John Greenwood has a sick horse which Veterinary Mulholland is treating.

Washington's birthday was observed at our school with appropriate reading and recitations.

Mr. and Mrs. Pardo and daughter attended the Baptist Ladies' Aid at E. Simmon's on the 22nd.

Jacob Hunking and Asa Evert are cutting wood on what is known as the Charlie Cross forty on section 33.

Robt. McCreedy is getting out timber for a large grain barn which he expects to put up the coming spring.

The surprise party at Henry Mc Dermott's on the 23rd, was well attended and a general good time reported.

W. W. Hawkins met with a horrible death on Monday afternoon. He was killed by a vicious bull while alone on his farm. When his son Fred returned after a couple of hours absence he found his father lying dead behind the barn.

Mrs. Harriet Evans, Hinsdale, Ill., writes: "I never fail to relieve my children from cramp at once by using One Minute Cough Cure. I would not feel safe without it." Quickly cures coughs, colds, grippe and all throat and lung diseases. Bond's Drug Store.

### What's Your face Worth?

Sometimes a fortune, but never, if you have a sallow complexion, a jaundiced look, moth patches and blotches on the skin, all signs of Liver Trouble. But Dr. King's New Life Pills give clear skin, rosy cheeks, rich complexion. Only 25c. at T. H. Fritz's Drug Store.

### Shabbona.

No services in the church on account of storm last Sunday.

Will Atfield and David Cook have returned from the north.

A little daughter at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Chapman.

The number of victims of la grippe are too numerous to mention.

Several from here attended the district S. S. convention at Argyle on the 1st.

Paul Brown has returned home. There's no place like Shabbona, Paul thinks.

George Ferguson, of Yale, and Alex McLarty have traded places. Mr Ferguson has taken possession.

Mrs. Wm. Spears entertained her brother and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Mountaney, from Yale, last week.

We had always supposed that a correspondent's duty was to furnish news items, but the scribe of Deford would give one the idea that it was to endeavor to fit the paper.

Rev. Vancouver, the evangelist, who has been assisting the pastor, Rev. Seelhoff in revival meetings in Shabbona and Greenbank, left Monday, the 20th, for his home at Henderson.

Lewis Ackerman, Goshen, Ind., says: "DeWitt's Little Early Risers always bring relief, cure my headache and never gripe." They gently cleanse and invigorate the bowels and liver. Bond's Drug Store.

**"Facts to Remember"**

The original and genuine Red Pills are Knill's Red Pills for Wan People at 25c a box, the woman's remedy. Don't pay 50 cents.

You can work when they feel, never gripe or make you sick, Knill's White Liver Pills. Bowel regulator. 25c a box.

Knill's Blue Kidney Pills cure back-aches, etc. Only 25c a box.

Pleasant, Safe and Sure are Knill's Black Diarrhoea Pills. Cure summer complaints, dysentery and all pains of the stomach and bowels. 25c a box.

Pure, Sweet Stomachs and Breaths are made by taking Knill's Dyspepsia Tablets. They will cure indigestion, correct all Stomach Troubles, destroy all gases for 25c a box. Best and Cheapest. Guaranteed by your druggists.

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### WOLFSTON.

Wm. Evans has purchased a new organ.

Carl Wolf went to Sebawaing on business Tuesday.

Is a Krohn drove to Bay Port last Monday after fish.

Wm Evans is helping deck logs in Linkville this week.

Mrs. W. Wolf, Sr., who has been on the sick list is some better at this writing.

Wm. Heck, Isaac Krohn and M. Holden went west of Linkville for straw Tuesday.

Ernest Dressler is hauling stone from west of Kilmanagh to build a cellar under his house.

The saw mill which in years past has been run by Holme Bros., has been sold to C. Poli. A great many logs are being taken to the mill and Poli expects to run his mill before long.

### FREIBURGERS.

A. C. Graham and wife were in Elm last Thursday.

Rev. Thos. Pollard has been away in Grant and Brookfield for a week or more.

A. Hunt and Fred Rheil were in Minden Saturday. Ask them if it was cold coming home facing that awful blizzard.

The debate last Tuesday evening at the club was a rouser. Those debates are bringing out our young talent. Keep it up boys.

John H. McRae has been busy the last three days moving a house. Several of the men froze their ears Saturday while working at it.

A meeting was held in the school house Saturday evening for the purpose of grading the school, but was adjourned for two weeks owing to the big storm.

The township Sunday School convention held here last week was quite well attended both afternoon and evening and were entertaining and instructive.

A. R. De Fineat, editor of the Journal, Doylestown, Ohio, suffered for a number of years from rheumatism in his right shoulder and side. He says: "My right arm at times was entirely useless. I tried Chamberlain's Pain Balm, and was surprised to receive relief almost immediately. The Pain Balm has been a constant companion of mine ever since and it never fails." For sale at Bond's Drug Store.

### It Leads.

Wherever it has been introduced, Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin leads all other remedies in curing constipation, indigestion and sick headache. It only costs 10c for trial size (10 doses 10c). Large size 50c and \$1 at Bond's Drug Store, Cass City; F. A. Francis, Kingston.

### Elmwood.

Revival meetings will begin at Cedar Run school house this week.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Whipple a daughter, Feb. 19th.

Mrs. J. Kellog, of Saginaw, is visiting her sister, Mrs. H. Whipple.

Geo. Griffin, of Grand Haven, is visiting Dwight and Charles Turner.

Thaddeus Compton has been under the doctors care the past week and is still quite ill.

Wilkie Hargrave, of Seney, Mich., spent a few days with W. W. Hargrave and family last week.

Amos Bearss was kicked in the side by a horse he was shoeing and has two broken ribs as a consequence.

Rev. A. Shultz, of the U. B. Church, who has been assisting in revival meetings at Uby, has returned to his work here.

Mrs. J. B. Nicholson died of paralysis, Feb. 17th, aged 79 years. Rev. W. Cassmore of the M. P. Church officiated at the funeral which was largely attended.

M. B. Smith, Butterant, Mich., says, "DeWitt's Little Early Risers are the very best pills I ever used for constipation, liver and bowel troubles." Bond's Drug Store.

**An Ounce of Preventive**

Is worth a pound of cure. Try a bottle of Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin and, if properly taken, it will positively prevent rheumatism or any other kindred trouble arising from a torpid condition of the bowels, liver and kidneys. Trial sizes 10c, other sizes 50c and \$1, at Bond's Drug Store, Cass City; F. A. Francis, Kingston.

Soap has been in use for 3,000 years and is twice mentioned in the Bible. A few years ago a soap boiler's shop was discovered in Pompeii. The soap found in the shop had not lost all its efficacy, although it had been buried 1,800 years.

**Never out of Season.**

There is no time in the year when Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin is not a benefit to mankind. It cures constipation and indigestion and cures diarrhea caused by bad condition of the digestive organs. Trial size bottles 10c, a 6 in 50c and \$1 size, at Bond's Drug Store, Cass City; F. A. Francis, Kingston.

It is very hard to stand idly by and see our dear ones suffer while awaiting the arrival of the doctor. An Albany (N. Y.) dairy man called at a drug store there for a remedy to come and see his child, then very sick with croup. Not finding the doctor in, he left word for him to come at once on his return. He also bought a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, which he hoped would give some relief until the doctor should arrive. In a few hours he returned, saying the doctor need not come, as the child was much better. The druggist, Mr. Otto Scholz, says the family has since recommended Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to their neighbors and friends until he has a constant demand for it from that part of the country. For sale at Bond's Drug Store.

**Penitence Checked.**

"No," he complained, "I have never succeeded in getting anything for nothing. I have always had to strive hard for everything that has come to me."

"What about the mumps you had last winter?" his wife interrupted.—Chicago Times-Herald.

**You Have Seen**

Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin advertised in the papers, but have you ever tried it? If not, you do not know what an ideal stomach remedy it is. A 10c bottle (10 doses 10c) will show you its great merits as a cure for constipation, indigestion and sick headache. Regular size, 50c and \$1, at Bond's Drug Store, Cass City; F. A. Francis, Kingston.

### SWEDISH DAIRYING

How the Business is Conducted in the Far North.

While Sweden is geographically as far north as northern Labrador or southern Greenland, its climate is nearly like that of the eastern states, writes Professor J. A. Fries of Pennsylvania. The government is paying much attention to giving agricultural instruction to its people, having two large agricultural colleges, 14 schools where advanced students receive instruction in all the branches of study included in agricultural science, 25 agricultural schools upon large estates and farms where the students perform the practical work and also receive instruction during the winter months, on each of which are from 10 to 30 scholars; also

three special schools for dairy and creamery instructions, 19 stations for seed control and seven for chemical control, where fertilizers, soils, feeding stuffs, etc., are analyzed.

"On the dairy farms special attention is paid to having warm, well lighted and ventilated stables, animals curried and cleaned daily, not exposed to cold, changeable weather in winter, always watered at their places in the stable when stable fed, rations fed which nearly correspond to the feeding standard, and the waste products well cared for."

On many of the farms there is a regular system of bookkeeping and figures were obtained directly from the books. In the south of Sweden the land is level and climate mild, and a great deal of sugar beet is grown, and the beet pulp is largely used in winter in feeding dairy stock, the grover receiving from the factory one-half the weight of pulp that he furnishes of beets. In this section also there are but few fences, and the cattle are not allowed loose in pasture, but when not in stables are tethered out and moved several times a day. Thus by the time the row of cows has moved across a field the clover or grass at the end where they began has obtained a good growth.

In the northern part of Sweden more pasture lands are fenced and cattle turned into them, and as they cannot grow many of the crops usual in the southern section their dependence is upon hay and oats. In central Sweden the farmers are mostly also fishermen, and their cattle are dry in summer, running to pasture with little attention, and feeding in winter upon the hay grown there which is of very good quality, adapted to producing both milk and butter of excellent flavor and generally very good.

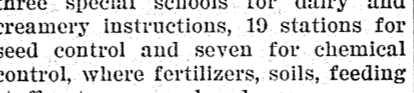
At Almarp, one of the two large agricultural colleges located near the extreme south end, they have 750 acres under cultivation and grow from 125 to 250 acres of beets for the sugar factory, receiving back one-half the weight of the product in beet pulp. They had when Mr. Fries visited them 161 milk cows, 77 heifers, 7 serviceable bulls, 1 young bull, 12 heifer calves, 2 bull calves, 36 farm horses, 5 carriage horses and 2 young horses. The cows are partly full blooded Holsteins and Shorthorns and grades of these two breeds weighing from 1,000 to 1,200 pounds per head.

The ration is proportioned to the amount of milk given, and we will quote it in full as given in winter. When there is green food, the cows have freshly cut green oats and vetch mixed and have nothing else. Cows giving over 26 pounds of milk a day have 66.14 pounds of sugar beet pulp, 9.92 pounds clover hay, 2.20 pounds of oat and barley chop, 3.31 pounds sunflower seed cake, 2.20 pounds of palm-nut cake, 1.10 pounds rape seed cake and 12.12 pounds straw. This is figured to contain 33.22 pounds of dry matter, of which the digestible portion contains 3.13 pounds of proteins, 17.33 pounds carbohydrates, .86 pounds fat, a feeding ratio of 1 to 6.3.

The cows giving from 13 to 26 pounds of milk per day receive the same amounts of beet pulp, clover hay, rape seed cake and straw, but the oat and barley chop and palm nut cake are reduced to one-half the amount named above and the sunflower seed cake to two-thirds. This furnishes 30.32 pounds of dry matter, of which 2.56 is proteins, 16.30 carbohydrates and .67 fat, a ratio of 1 to 6.9.

Cows giving less than 13 pounds a day get the same amount of clover hay and straw, but only one-third the amount of beet pulp and the same amount of chop and sunflower seed cake as those that give 13 to 26 pounds of milk. Their ration has 23.87 pounds of dry matter, of which 1.75 is proteins, 11.75 carbohydrates, .45 fat, or a ratio of 1 to 7.3.

The cows are considered profitable until 10 to 12 years old, are milked nine to ten months in the year on an average, and the average yield is 7,200 pounds of milk for Holsteins and 6,000 for Shorthorns, or 7,040 pounds for the entire herd, with an average of 3.2 per cent butter fat.



MODEL SWEDISH COW STABLE.

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Our New Line of Spring Goods.

Will be here this week. Every department will be up to date and full of interesting things. We will have Shirt Waist Patterns that will make your eyes dance.

**No Two Patterns Alike**

Great things for the ladies. We are selling Outings and Underwear at cost. Come and we will do you good. Do not forget the Shirt Waist Patterns, no two alike.

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The one Price Store.

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to no end. We have the largest variety that was ever shown in the Thumb. If you don't see what you want ask for it as we haven't room to show half what we have to sell.

- Best Glucose Syrup 8c quart can, 30c one gallon can, bulk 25c gal.
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- Maple Syrup 10 and 25c bottles.
- Maple Sugar, Blue Label Ketchup, Strawberry Preserves.
- Try us on Pork, Lard, Bacon, and Bologna.
- Fresh Radishes, Lettuce, Celery, Oysters, Crackers, Cream Cheese, Limburger Cheese, Brick Cheese.
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Always on hand. Anything special baked to order.

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Only first-class companies represented. Don't buy your seed potatoes, oats, corn or nursery stock until you see my list and prices.

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## Kodol Dyspepsia Cure

Digests what you eat.

Artificially digests the food and aids Nature in strengthening and reconstructing the exhausted digestive organs. It is the latest discovered digestant and tonic. No other preparation can approach it in efficiency. It instantly relieves and permanently cures Dyspepsia, Indigestion, Heartburn, Flatulence, Sour Stomach, Nausea, Sick Headache, Gastralgia, Cramps, and all other results of impure digestion. Prepared by E. C. DeWitt & Co., Chicago. Bond's Drug Store.

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NEWS FOR MICHIGANDERS.

A Whole Regiment of News Items From Michigan Towns CAPTURED FOR BRIEF READING.

The Death Rate for the State in 1899 was 14.1 Per Cent Per 1,000 Estimated Population—Sutton and Marsh Failed to Quash Indictment Charges.

33,150 Deaths in Michigan in 1899. Secretary of State Stearns has completed a compilation of vital statistics of Michigan for the year 1899. This shows that there was a total of 33,150 deaths in the state last year, thus making the death rate per 1,000 of estimated population 14.1 per cent. There were 6,140 deaths of children under 1 year old, 2,432 from 1 to 4 years old, and 9,175 of persons 65 years old and over. The per cent in these classes was 19.4, 7.7 and 28.9 respectively. The number of deaths and annual death rate per 100,000 of population from important diseases were as follows: Pulmonary consumption, 1,985, or 81.8; other forms of tuberculosis, 651, or 27.7; typhoid fever, 571, or 24.3; diphtheria, 297, or 12.6; croup, 148, or 6.3; scarlet fever, 144, or 6.1; measles, 164, or 7; whooping cough, 217, or 9.2; pneumonia, 2,394, or 124.7; diarrheal disease of children under 5 years old, 1,987, or 84.4; cerebro spinal meningitis, 830, or 35.3; influenza, 1,769, or 75.3; puerperal septicaemia, 176, or 7.5; cancer, 1,282, or 54.5; violence, 1,694, or 73. The total death rate per 1,000 of estimated population was 1.6 greater than in 1898, and the total number of deaths 4,401 greater.

Sutton and Marsh Must Stand Trial. Judge West, of the Ingham county circuit court, on the 19th handed down his opinion in the motions argued a short time ago to quash the indictments against Eli R. Sutton and Arthur F. Marsh. Both motions are denied. After reciting at some length the form and contents of the indictments, the opinion says: "The respondent has moved to quash the indictment alleging several reasons, the principal one being that the indictment against Sutton does not charge that any criminal offense had been committed by White, but merely recites that an indictment had been found by the grand jury against White, and does not charge or allege that any offense had been committed by White. In this state an accessory before the fact may be charged together with the principal indicted as a principal. The statute provides that "All persons concerned in the commission of a felony, whether they directly commit the act constituting the offense, or aid and abet in its commission, though not present, may hereafter be indicted and punished as principals, as in a case of a misdemeanor."

As Elmer Jones and a woman, supposedly his wife, were about to board a train at Holly on the 23d, a stranger stepped up and asked him what he was doing with his wife. Jones denied that she was any one's wife but his own, whereupon the second man whipped out a revolver and it is said fired at Jones, who sustained a slight wound. The shooter was captured and gave his name as J. Parks, of Chicago. He stated that he married the young woman at Chicago over a year ago. "The brother of the girl was with Parks and she has agreed to leave both men and return to her parental home in Chicago. She is but 20 years of age and is a handsome girl. At the depot Parks tried to tear the clothes off the young woman, declaring that it was his money that bought them. The affair caused great excitement."

16,102 G. A. R.'s in Michigan. The report of Michigan department, G. A. R., just made public, makes a gratifying showing. The report, which is for the last half of 1899, shows that at the close of that period there were in Michigan 382 posts with an aggregate membership of 15,102. The net loss for the period named was only 34, while the death loss alone was 171. When it is considered that there is no young blood to be infused into the organization, the work of Commander Pealer and Adj. Pond in the direction of having all the veterans enrolled in the order is quite manifest. They predict further substantial increase during the present six months. Four years ago there were 373 posts and 16,706 members. Since then there has been a gain of nine posts, but a loss of 1,662 members. Of the latter 1,422 died, leaving a loss of only 239 from honorable discharges, transfers, etc.

Shot His Wife Then Suicided. Allan Geisler, aged 50, a well-to-do German farmer and fruit grower, of near Benton Harbor, shot his wife on the 21st and then drowned himself, jumping into the lake. Geisler owned a \$10,000 farm on the lake shore road, situated 200 feet above the edge of the lake. He had been quarreling with his wife, whom he married just one year ago. The bullet was removed from the back of his wife's skull and she may live. Geisler has two other wives living.

Six weeks of revival services in the M. E. church at Allegan resulted in 50 conversions. The common council at Sault Ste. Marie has granted a 30-year franchise to local capitalists to operate a gas plant. Brighton young ladies are desirous of strengthening their muscular systems, and are forming an organization to equip a gymnasium. It is said that Mead's Mills, along the line of the Detroit, Plymouth & Northville railway, will be revived after a long period of sleep.

Whisky at the Bottom of It.

Tired of talking in washing to support himself and an indigent husband, who seemed to love liquor more than he did his wife, Lydia Buhl, of Handy township, Livingston county, separated her home ties from Geo. W. Buhl last October. Three months later she commenced divorce proceedings in the Livingston circuit court, securing an injunction at the same time, which tied up her husband's interest in the estate of his sister, who had recently died leaving him about \$1,000. As a sequel to the injunction, Mrs. Buhl is now suffering from a bullet wound in the back of the head which was inflicted by the infuriated and whisky-soaked husband at Ann Arbor on the night of the 23d. He then turned the revolver upon himself, but his aim was not accurate. Both were alive at last account.

Mortgage Creditors Suffer Defeat. The third mortgage creditors of the late O. M. Barnes, who are scattered all over Michigan, suffered defeat in an opinion handed down by the supreme court on the 20th. These creditors recently foreclosed their mortgage and bid in the property subject to the first and second mortgages. The depositors of the defunct Central Michigan and Ingham County Savings banks were the principal beneficiaries under the second mortgage and the circuit court recently gave the former a decree for \$59,864 and the latter for \$12,500. This was objected to as excessive by the third mortgage creditors who appealed to the supreme court.

MICHIGAN NEWS ITEMS.

Davisburg was visited by a \$5,000 on the 20th. Clarion suffered a fire loss of \$1,300 on the 21st.

The anti-saloon people of Birmingham say the saloons must go. Large numbers of hogs are dying in North Camden from hog cholera.

Ypsilanti is to have a new concern which will manufacture smokeless furnaces. After three weeks of revival meetings at Coldwater 118 conversions are reported.

If Royal Oak will donate a site and \$1,000 in cash she can have a canning factory. Fifteen thousand tons of ice have been taken from Grass lake during the last month.

A \$50,000 recitation building is among the possibilities for Kalamazoo college this spring. Saginaw pastors have resolved not to unite people in marriage who have been divorced.

The Holland house at East Tawas was partly destroyed by fire on the 19th. Loss, \$10,000. The M. E. congregation at Albion have purchased a parsonage, after several weeks of jangling.

The two-story general store, owned by David H. Pierce, of Ubly, was destroyed by fire on the 20th. The state printing contract for two years has been awarded to Oscar L. McKinley, the lowest bidder.

The anti-saloon element at Plymouth are about to commence a crusade against the saloons in that place. Philanthropists of Marquette offer to give a manual training department when the new high school is rebuilt.

The fine brown stone high school building at Marquette burned on the 17th. Loss, \$40,000; insurance, \$20,000. It has been 16 years since a registration was held at Marshall, and a new one has been ordered for the spring elections.

Red Jacket has a municipal theater built by the taxpayers at a cost of \$70,000, which will be opened to the public in a few weeks. A movement is on foot looking to the consolidation of the cities of St. Joseph and Benton Harbor. The project is meeting with favor.

The Central high school building at West Jay City was destroyed by fire on the 19th, entailing a loss of \$25,000, with \$8,000 insurance.

The Detroit, Ypsilanti & Ann Arbor electric railway is securing options on the necessary land required for the building of a second track.

The secretary of the treasury at Washington recently received an envelope postmarked Benton Harbor, containing a conscience contribution of \$100.

The beet sugar growers of Isabella county have formed an association, and will not contract to raise beets this year unless prices are raised 50 cents per ton.

The reappraisal of public lands ordered by the legislature, is about completed, and Land Commissioner French announces that the first parcel will be sold on March 29.

Congressman Washington Gardner has applied to the postoffice department for rural delivery from Grand Ledge, Eaton Rapids, Ceresco, Convis and Bitter Creek.

Jas. Dyer, of Detroit, who had been a sufferer of asthma for nearly 10 years, committed suicide on the 23d by blowing off the upper portion of his head with a shotgun.

At the meeting of the State League of Republican clubs, held in Detroit on the 23d, the following were chosen as officers: President, Hal Smith, of Ionia; vice-president, Burt D. Cady, of Port Huron; secretary, Fred R. Fenton, of Detroit; treasurer, Frank Wait, of Sturgis.

The skeleton and skin of an elk from Belle Isle Park, Detroit, are being mounted in the museum of the University of Michigan. The skeleton will form an exhibit among the collection of skeletons, and the skin will be mounted for the collection of mounted animals.

Rev. Mr. Lowery, pastor of the M. E. church at Oxford, who was recently a principal in a Sunday school row, has tendered his resignation to the presiding elder, the same to take immediate effect.

The 1899 compilation of the laws relative to the incorporation of cities of the fourth class has just been delivered by the state printer to Secretary of State Stearns, and is now ready for distribution.

A county Prohibition mass convention has been called at Coldwater on Mar. 3. The prohibitionists in Branch county number about 350, of whom two were present at the convention called in 1898.

Anyone who desires to peddle tea from house to house in Mt. Clemens can do so without paying a license fee. The city's ironclad ordinance in reference thereto has been found defective by the supreme court.

After several days deliberation as to the sanity of Harry E. Hamburger, the self-confessed murderer of Detroit, Recorder Murphy found the defendant sane, and the trial for murder was commenced on the 23d.

The village of Sawyer, in Berrien county, is to have a pickle factory, which will pay out about \$12,000 for cucumbers the first year to farmers of the vicinity. The factory was secured by the donation of a site.

Recorder Murphy, of Detroit, on the 21st sentenced George A. Nye, convicted of perjury in connection with the Cunningham holdup case, to five years in Jackson prison at hard labor. Nye took the sentence as if it was an invitation to lunch.

Farmers around Paw Paw have petitioned for the establishment of a rural free delivery route, and are confident they will get it, as by establishing the service there the government will save money by doing away with several star routes now in operation.

The effect of the consolidation of the New State Telephone with the Michigan Telephone Co. is already being felt in many towns in the state. The rates for service of house 'phones is being raised from \$12 to \$18 per year, and for business 'phones \$18 to \$24.

A letter from D. J. Rainey, whose home is at Birmingham, but who is now in Alaska, says that he and a party of Oowosso miners who went to the gold country a few months ago have struck rich. They have formed a company, and will begin shipping ore in March.

The executive committee of the state fair association met on the 20th and struck a balance sheet on the last fair. It showed a deficit of \$41.89, which is considered very good with three rainy days during fair week. The next fair will probably be held the week of Sept. 10 in Grand Rapids.

Three one-story buildings, size 100x275, 100x235 and 35x75 feet, respectively, will be erected at Dowagiac shortly, which will be used for a furnace plant by the stove works. This it is claimed will mean an additional population of 1,500 for Dowagiac in less than three years.

J. D. Bonine, of Constantine, has started—on a small scale for the present—what is a new industry in Michigan, that is, the breeding of Belgian hares. The little animals command a ready sale not only as pets, but also as a food, being much esteemed by epicures, and the profits from raising them are said to be very large.

At a meeting of the Republican state central committee, held in Detroit on the 21st, Judge Daboll, of St. Johns, was chosen chairman pro tem, to act in the interim until the election of a new committee by the state convention, which will be held in Philadelphia in June. This was made necessary by the resignation of Arthur F. Marsh.

A couple of brutes at Tompkins tried to make a balky horse go by trying a cord around the animal's tongue, hitching the other end of the line to another horse and then starting the latter. The first horse's tongue was torn out, and the animal had to be killed. A soft-hearted or soft-minded justice let off the offenders with a fine of \$2 a piece.

Four divorce cases were commenced in Van Buren county in one week recently, while in the same week there was not a single marriage license issued. The Dowagiac Republican is of the opinion that this state of affairs is the result of the large consumption of applejack, which is the favorite tipple in Van Buren owing to the local option law in force there.

The Burrell Chemical Co.'s retort plant at Manistiquette for the manufacture of wood alcohol, an improvement over the kilm method, has just been completed and was started on a trial run on the 19th. The plant contains 10 retorts and will convert 50 cords of wood to charcoal daily. The plant is the largest of the kind in the world and the only one in the state.

Reports to the state board of health show that rheumatism, bronchitis, influenza, neuralgia and tonsillitis, in the order named, caused the most sickness in the state, during the past week. Smallpox was reported at three places; cerebro-spinal meningitis at four; diphtheria, 20; whooping cough, 27; typhoid fever, 33; scarlet fever, 73; measles, 19; consumption, 173.

Gov. Pingree attended a farmers' club meeting at Chelsea on the 17th, and gave the toilers with the hoe his version of the taxation question. He says that in order to have equal taxation in fact as well as in theory that the farmers must organize, must control the primaries and must send incorruptible men to the legislature. He showed up the unjust system of taxing railroads in this state, etc., and as a whole his remarks were favorably received by the large audience.

The prohibitionists of Branch county have issued a call for a mass convention to be held at Coldwater, March 3.

FROM ALL OVER THE GLOBE

By Telegraph Giving a Brief Resume of the Week's Events.

RELIABLE AND INTERESTING.

The Military Officials of Canada are Preparing for a Possible Raid on That Country in the Spring by the Fenians—Other Items.

Canadian Preparing for Fenian Invasion. Ominous rumors are in circulation in Toronto, Ont., regarding the likelihood of a Fenian invasion of Canada in the spring. A meeting of commanding officers of the Toronto garrison was held on the 17th to make arrangements for carrying out the "war game" settled upon by Gen. Hutton some weeks ago. It is said the possibility of a Fenian raid was brought up and the statement that positive evidence existed in high quarters that a Fenian coup is contemplated as soon as the weather will permit of operations in the field. Curiously enough, the troops of the Toronto military district and other sections of Canada will assemble on the frontier for ostensible tactical operations just about the time when the Fenians, according to the report, would be making their attempt to cross. For the purposes of the "war game," every available branch of the service in the various military districts will be mobilized, including cavalry, artillery and infantry. The troops are to be equipped just as they would be if they were entering the field for a long campaign. It is said in influential quarters that if the Fenian raid is intended it will not find the government of Canada unprepared.

Mrs. Lawton's Gratitude. Mrs. Lawton has made the following acknowledgment of the receipt of the home fund: "Pewee Valley, Ky., Feb. 18, 1900. "Dear Gen. Corbin: "Such kindness as yours can never be repaid, and my heart is very full when I try to thank you. Words seem very poor at such a time. Will you please believe that I do appreciate it, and all my life will find comfort in the remembrance. "The universal feeling, which prompted such wonderful generosity from the nation, is so beautiful to me, and so dear, my gratitude is unexpressibly profound. "It has relieved the one anxious thought Henry would have had, and I do not know how to thank you or the nation. "Believe me, with kind regards. "Very sincerely, "MARY C. LAWTON."

An Agreement Reached in Kentucky. The contests over the state offices are very much simplified by an agreement entered into on the 21st between the attorneys for the Republicans and the Democrats, representing both sides, and straightening out the legal tangle over the multiplicity of injunction suits for the title to the governorship. The agreement is that there shall be a speedy trial in the court of an agreed case involving all of the issues, the first hearing to be before Judge Emmett Field at Louisville.

Will Investigate Complaints. A special from Washington says that it is understood an investigation will be made by a court of inquiry into complaints made by Maj. William H. Arthur, surgeon in charge of the hospital ship Missouri, against other officers on duty on the transport. This investigation may settle the responsibility for the deaths of 19 soldiers during the voyage of the vessel from Manila to San Francisco a short time ago.

The Citizens' Telephone Co., of Grand Rapids, has increased its capital stock from \$300,000 to \$500,000. The city of Ataqueques, Spain, was practically wiped out by fire on the 21st. Over 320 buildings were burned. The explosion of a ladle of molten steel in the Illinois Steel works, Chicago, injured a number of the workmen, three fatally.

Three miners at the Barclay Coal Co.'s shaft at Barclay, Ill., were burned so badly from an explosion of pit gas that they will probably die. The steamer Montezuma with 1,550 mules and a large cargo of feedstuffs for the British army operating in South Africa, left New Orleans, La., for Cape Town on the 18th.

Dr. J. N. Hurty, secretary of the Indiana state board of health, on the 21st said that he expected the bubonic plague would reach the U. S. within the next two or three years. The next national Democratic convention will be held at Kansas City, Mo., July 4. This was the decision of the Democratic national committee which met at Washington on the 22d.

The reciprocal convention with the United States was approved by the Jamaica legislature on the 21st. Only the official members were present. The people's representatives refuse to take part in the deliberations until Joseph Chamberlain, secretary of state for the colonies, withdraws his obnoxious nominees. A serious condition of affairs exists in Central America, as is shown by the following telegram from Mr. Merry, U. S. minister to Costa Rica, dated San Jose, Feb. 20: "Revolutionary invasion expected from Nicaragua. Martial law declared. Troops moving to the frontier."

Gales have caused a number of shipping disasters on the north coast of Spain. Three small vessels have been wrecked near Santander and 24 seamen drowned. Eight other vessels are missing. Two coasting ships with crews totaling 48 men are reported to have foundered off Gijon.

TRANSVAAL WAR ITEMS.

Details with respect to the capture of the British convoy at Riet river was received at Cape Colony on the 20th. It appears that the wagons were lagged near the drift, and that the convoy was attacked by 1,800 Boers with four guns. The shelling continued all day. One hundred and eighty wagons were captured, containing provisions and forage. Half the drivers and leaders were killed or missing.

Dispatches from Maseru say that large forces are being sent from the Transvaal to the Free State, under prominent generals. It is also said the Free State is making desperate efforts to collect an army to face the British at Koffyfontein. An official proclamation orders all males between the ages of 16 and 60, and enthusiasts declare that everyone up to the age of 100 must go.

The British embassy, upon inquiry being made authorized the statement that there was no truth whatever in the story contained in the Paris dispatches that President McKinley had sounded Lord Pauncefote, the British ambassador at Washington, to ascertain how an offer of mediation in the Transvaal difficulty on the part of the United States would be received by Great Britain.

A Boer account of Gens. Cronje and Dewet's actions during the engagement which lasted from Feb. 15 to Feb. 20 has been received. Part of that time Cronje was almost surrounded by the British at Modder river, but at night they cut their way through the British lines with the loss of seven dead and 16 wounded. The British loss is not estimated in this account, but is said to be heavy.

A dispatch from Chieveley dated the 19th says the Boers' line of fortresses is broken. The British have achieved a decided success in capturing the enemy's position on Monte Cristo. The Boers, however, effectively executed a retreat, removing their guns and convoy wagons. The British had comparatively few casualties.

It appears from advices received at Lourenço Marques that the loot captured by the burghers on the 18th near Koffyfontein included over 3,000 head of cattle and a number of wagons, 18 of which were loaded with provisions intended for the relief of Kimberley. A number of prisoners were also taken.

A London dispatch dated the 20th says that Gen. Cronje of the Boer forces is hopelessly surrounded, and that the sole purpose of the British government withholding good news is that confirmation and more details are awaited.

Lord Roberts has issued a proclamation to the burghers of the Orange Free State in which he warns them to desist from further acts of hostility toward her majesty's government and troops, or suffer the consequences.

According to a Boer account Gen. Dewet captured 180 wagons of provisions and ammunition, 2,800 oxen and 58 men by an attack upon the rear guard of Gen. French's column at Modder river on the 19th.

The British war office, for the first time, gave out an official compilation of their losses on the 22d. The total up to Feb. 17, 1900, is 11,208. This does not include Lord Roberts' recent losses.

Three hundred mounted volunteers for service in south Africa, the third section of the second Canadian contingent will sail from Halifax for Cape Town on the 21st.

The total British casualties at the recent engagement at Colenso was 803. Of this number 49 officers were killed and wounded, including two generals.

According to a dispatch from Rennes, France, a factory there received an order from the Transvaal government for 150,000 artillery shells.

At Kimberley a report is current that Mafeking has been relieved, but that the Boers are trying to conceal the information.

During the recent engagement at Modder river the Canadian contingent sustained a loss of 22 killed and over 60 wounded.

Heavy fighting is said to have taken place around Kimberley on the 19th, and that Gen. Cronje held his own.

Typhoid fever is said to be playing havoc among the Boers at Colenso.

All business at Mafeking is being conducted underground.

Three deaths from the snow storm are reported from eastern New Jersey. As a result of a freight wreck on the Big Four at Terre Haute, Ind., on the 23d two persons will die and a third was badly hurt.

By the burning of a livery stable at Cleveland on the 19th 40 horses perished. The loss on the stable and contents is estimated at \$53,000.

The German foreign office confirms the report that Germany intends to lay a cable to Kiaoo Chou and later extend this to the Carolines and to connect the German cable with the American-Philippine cable.

A split and a walk-out followed a turbulent meeting of the Populist national committee at Lincoln, Neb., on the night of the 19th. The trouble was the result of the anti-fusion leaders turned down by the credentials committee, organizing a bolt and forming a new committee.

Sergt. A. Berlin, of Paris, who served in the army with Capt. Dreyfus, was in Milwaukee on the 23d. In an interview he said he believed that within a short time Russia, France and even Germany would be in a conflict with England. A bitter feeling throughout continental Europe existed against England, he said, on account of various acts committed by that country.

One woman was killed, several other persons were severely injured, and property valued at \$500,000 was destroyed by fire at Philadelphia on the 23d.

WAR NOTES.

According to information received at the war department from Manila with the end of the present expedition of Gen. Bates into the two provinces at the extreme southern part of the island of Luzon, military operations in the Philippines will close. Afterward, it is said, there is nothing to do but to undertake to maintain order through a police system. Attention is now being given to that subject and steps are being taken to form a thoroughly mobile, lightly armed gendarmerie, something on the order of the Canadian mounted police, to cover the islands at all points and conserve the energies of the regular troops.

Gov.-Gen. Wood's general orders, specifying the prerogatives of military commanders and civil governors, are creating a sensation at Santiago. The press, with the exception of the violently partisan local Cuban organ, comments favorably upon them, saying that they indicate an honest intention on the part of the intervening government to fulfill the pledge to establish the independence of Cuba.

For some time tobacco seed of an inferior quality has been shipped to Cuba, and the Cubans naturally feel that this will militate against the future reputation and value of the local product. Earnest protests have frequently been made, and on the 21st Gov.-Gen. Wood issued an order which prohibits the further importation of seed. Reputable tobacco dealers and the public generally are much gratified.

The remains of 80 soldiers were buried at the national cemetery at Arlington on the 22d with the usual military honors. Most of these men lost their lives in Cuba during and since the Spanish war. The remainder died in the military service in Porto Rico. Their bodies were brought home on the transport Buford and other vessels.

The director-general of posts for Cuba has sent a statement to the post-office department regarding the postal establishment in Cuba. There are 276 postoffices on the island, 19 of which are in charge of American acting postmasters with Cuban assistants in many cases. The other 267 offices are in charge of residents or natives.

CONGRESSIONAL NOTES. The Republican members of the conference committee on the financial bill reached an agreement on the 23d. The Democratic conferees were called in and stated their opposition to the bill and without further formality the bill was ordered reported. The text of the bill as agreed upon and as it probably will become a law, is as follows: That the dollar, consisting of 25 8-10 grains of gold, 9-10 fine, as established by section 3511, of the revised statutes of the United States, shall be the standard unit of value, and all forms of money issued or coined by the United States shall be maintained at a parity of value with this standard and it shall be the duty of the secretary of the treasury to maintain such parity; that all U. S. notes and treasury notes issued under the act of July 14, 1890, when presented to the treasury for redemption, shall be redeemed in gold coin, and that it shall be the duty of the secretary of the treasury to set apart in the treasury a reserve fund of \$150,000,000 in gold coin and bullion, which fund shall be used for such redemption purposes only.

The appropriation committee of the house on the 12th completed and reported the executive, legislative and judicial appropriation bill, one of the most important of the supply bills and carrying the salaries of the officials in all branches of the public service. The estimates submitted aggregated \$25,017,269, and the bill appropriates \$23,874,871.

The President on the 19th signed the proclamation making public the Samoan treaty. The proclamation is in the usual form, save for the section relative to the exchange of ratifications, and recites the treaty in extenso.

The Republican members of the ways and means committee of the house are now frantic in their fear that the house will defeat the bill making Puerto Rico a dependency of the United States.

THE MARKETS. LIVE STOCK. New York—Cattle Sheep Lambs Hogs Best grades... 4 75 5 00 5 40 Lower grades... 3 50 4 15 4 01 7 00 5 20

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The senate in executive session on the 21st ratified the treaty between the United States, Great Britain and Germany affecting claims growing out of the joint control of the Samoan islands. This treaty was a separate document from the political agreement dividing the authority over the islands.

C. H. Duell, commissioner of patents, transmitted to congress a report on the number of patents issued in the various states for the last fiscal year. The number of patents issued during the year was 25,527, of which 805 were from Michigan.

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M. Waldeck-Rousseau, the French premier, is reported to have notified the pope he is determined to crush the clergy who are opposing his government.

Joe Choynski was given the decision over Peter Maher in their six-round go in Chicago Friday night.

A. C. Anson was chosen president of the New American Baseball association Tuesday.

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And on that cheek, and o'er that brow, So soft, so calm, yet eloquent, The smiles that win, the tints that glow, But tell of days in goodness spent, A mind at peace with all below, A heart whose love is innocent.—Lord Byron.

How to Clean Ribbons. Now that ribbons are so extensively worn it is quite worth while to know how to clean them successfully and easily. The two methods here given have been put to the practical test many times over, so there need be no hesitancy about trying either one through fear of failure or of unsatisfactory results.

It is of embroidered crepe in the palest salmon tint, the dots being done in black silk. The decoration is composed of bias folds and rosettes of black mirror velvet and revers

in the library it may serve as a receptacle for old newspapers and books that are not in frequent use. In the bedroom the box couch can still be impressed into service as a repository for shoes or best bodices and evening gowns.

Arranging Bric-a-Brac. There can be no better decoration in a room than bric-a-brac, yet nothing so detracts from art as too much ornamentation. A New York society woman who has recently started a bureau where women just beginning housekeeping go and get ideas as to how they can best furnish their homes, said to your correspondent a few days ago: "The best plan in the world when purchasing bric-a-brac is to buy nothing that has no visible sphere of usefulness, or if this seems too broad a rule, to purchase only one of a kind of the useless articles. No woman who cares for the appearance of her room will have two of every kind of article. This gives a sameness to its decorative effect that is indescribably artistic. The day of 'matched' pieces is no more. Elegance consists in having things that are worth having, and just enough of them. If one takes to buying cheap china it will be found that it accumulates with startling rapidity, and in the end is only a nuisance."

Theater Gown.

Dull reddish purple smooth-faced cloth, laid in shallow vertical pleats, stitched down along the edges to the knees. Belt, yoke and stock of dull pastel pink panne velvet, the latter two being spangled with gold. Belt buckle of brass. Toga of white embroidered net, with ornamental spray of dull pink roses and shaded leaves.

STYLISH WAIST.



of richly embroidered chiffon. Worn with this fascinating bodice was a dainty turban in all white chiffon, with fluffy strings tied at the throat in a smart bow.

pieces of apples into a jar, pour over them the syrup and cover. Fic Dumplings. Mix half a pound of flour with a quarter of a pound of fine chopped suet. Add half a pound of figs chopped into small pieces, one tablespoonful of baking powder, and half a teaspoonful of sugar, and half a teaspoonful of allspice. Mix all these together thoroughly with a little water, divide into five or six dumplings, put into fast boiling water and cook for an hour and a half.

Steamed Lemon Pudding. One teaspoon of self-raising flour, one teaspoonful breadcrumbs, one teaspoonful sugar, one teaspoonful of beef suet, three-quarters cup of sweet milk, the grated rind of a lemon. Mix and put in a buttered bowl, and tie a greased paper on the top. Put in a pan of boiling water, and let it boil for two hours. If a larger pudding be required, double the quantities, and the longer it is steamed the better it is. Celery Fritters. All the green stalks and tender leaves from the bunch of celery used for salad may be utilized in celery fritters. Clean and chop fine, and into one cup of this chopped celery add one scant pint of flour, one beaten egg, one-half teaspoonful of salt, one-quarter of a teaspoonful of pepper, one teaspoonful of baking powder and sufficient milk to make a thick batter. This is dropped by spoonfuls into hot fat, and the fritters are drained on unglazed paper before being served.



Negroes are unconsciously humorous. The other day two roustabouts were overheard talking. They met on the levee, after one had been absent from the city for several weeks. "Hello, Bill. How is yer?" asked the first. "Well," was the reply, "de doctors is give me up, but de police ain't!"—Memphis Scimitar.

He Craved a Favor. "Say," called the victim from beneath the bed coverings. "Well?" asked one of the burglars, gruffly. "Would you fellows mind carrying off that ornamental watch dog of mine in the front yard along with the rest of your swag?"—Philadelphia North American.

At the Concert. "Johnson is a great artist. How inevitable is his touch." "Just what I've been thinking myself. He 'touched' me for \$10, and I found it extremely inevitable."—Atlanta Constitution.

The Supreme Test. "I'd lay down my life for you," protested the poetical maiden, "but would you lay down the cats?"—Philadelphia Record.

THE THOUSAND-DOLLAR BILL

A MYSTERY OF THE UNITED STATES TREASURY—A SHORT STORY BY LEONARD OUTRAM

(Conclusion.) An hour later Edmond Hackett sat at this desk in the department of the Secretary of the Treasury, counting and recounting a packet of 1,000-dollar bills. They were old and frayed, ragged and discolored, and belonged to the issues of long ago. They were only half notes, moreover—the lower halves; and each fragment of paper had two big holes punched in it by a blunt instrument, totally destroying the signatures which had made it money, and at the same time reducing the half-note to the merest remnant. One by one Edmond turned over these morsels of dirty paper, counting them most carefully.

"Forty-one, forty-two, forty-three, forty-four, forty-five, forty-six, forty-seven, forty-eight, forty-nine! There are not fifty here! And yet they've been passed as fifty in the Redemption Office. Humpf! Awkward for one of those clever ladies. A thousand-dollar bill missing. Poor Mrs. Lawson. Infamable Mrs. Lawson! It must be she who's in for this."

CHAPTER III. Now this error would mean more than discredit and a consequent check in Bertha's future promotion. It was a rule that the examiner who overlooked a counterfeit or missing bill should make good the value of it. To make good a thousand dollars would pretty well ruin the Hacketts and old father Caleb into the bargain. But it was his duty to make his report instantly to the Secretary, and with painful reluctance he filled up the prescribed form, seldom requisitioned form. With slow, dragging steps, he proceeded with it to the Secretary's private room, but halted with his hand on the door. Suddenly that frivolous gossip on the veranda rushed into his memory. Had Wilton Loring—had Bertha herself stolen the missing bill? What then? Should he turn conspirator and cover the fraud? No, no, his duty was clear. He would not allow himself to hesitate, but knocked at the door and entered.

But there was no respite for him and for his wife. The Treasurer himself was closeted with the Secretary. "One moment, Mr. Hackett! I'm engaged," was the sharp peremptory dismissal, and he perforce withdrew postponing the declaration. As he returned stupefied to his desk a clock struck the hour of his luncheon interval. It was the custom of the family to meet at home for their midday meal. He locked up the report and rushed out of the Treasury. Flying home on a cable car, he found his wife there before him. Bertha sat at the table like one in a dream. She did not raise her eyes from the food that stood untouched before her. Edmond himself could not swallow a morsel, but furtively watched his wife while the negress who waited on them trilled in the room. The moment they were alone he leant across the table and whispered hoarsely:

"You passed a packet today—a packet of thousands." The young wife looked up with a start of surprise. The fear that was written in her troubled face gave way to a flash of desperate hope. "It came to you?" "Thank God you can pass it!" "No word of denial. She caught his recoiling hand across the table. "For my sake—for your Bertha's sake—you will, you will!" Edmond Hackett raised his other hand to his damp forehead. "Impossible, child—impossible! You must be saved another way—if it be not too late. Find the missing bill among some papers, as if an accident had placed it there. But, whatever you do, put it forward instantly, instantly!" "I cannot, Edmond. I haven't the bill."

"You did not steal it? Oh, forgive me! Heaven be thanked for that! It's an oversight, then? Bad enough, but not beyond repair. Make out your report at once, and send it in. You are a novice, the delay may be overlooked." "I cannot do that, Edmond. It would be to cast suspicion on the cashier who forwarded the bills to the Treasury." "That is his affair. If the packet was short when you counted it—" "Edmond, why will you not ignore the shortage? By a miracle it is in your power to prevent the discovery." "It is not in my power." "How not in your power? The packet will go from your hands to the committee, who do not count it again; and by them it will be deposited in the mace-tray, to be ground into pulp. It would never be known that forty-nine instead of fifty bills had been destroyed."

"Bertha, you forget the other half. I have only a portion of the bills. The upper section of your packet went to the Register's office to be counted there." Bertha Hackett grew white as death, and hot tears sprang in her eyes. "We are ruined!" she cried, "unless, unless—" Her glance from the window perceived Caleb Loring entering the house. "Here is father! He will find out who had the count at the Register's."

Read it in his face as he confronted them, closing the door. Whatever hope he had cherished on his homeward way that he might find Bertha unconscious of the storm that threatened was dashed to the ground the moment he perceived her and her husband's agitation. The memory of that evening on the veranda burned in his mind, and in a fury of rage he demanded, fiercely: "Daughter, what infernal thing is this you've been doing? Are you mad? Have you turned thief? Is Edmond in it? Or has Wilton—No, no. For God's sake don't tell me it is my son!"

Then Bertha, to her husband's amazement and dismay, fell down at her father's feet and confessed that she, she had yielded to temptation and stolen the missing bill. She hurriedly stated the miraculous chance that had put Edmond in a position to save her, and inferring from her father's knowledge of the affair, that the man who had detected the shortage had confided to him his daughter's responsibility with a view of screening her, besought him to accept the friendly overture.

"I would permit no man's dishonor for the sake of me or mine," he declared. "For what you have done, you must pay the penalty. Your impossible combination has actually come to pass. As the counter-check came to your husband in his department, so it has come to me in the Register's. It was I myself who caught the short packet which you had signed for."

Then, father, you alone know? "I—and one other." "One other?" repeated Bertha, aghast. "Who in your department should know besides yourself?" "My chief," replied the old man, with a face of adamant. "You have reported it, knowing that your own child—"

"Certainly. Fraud or oversight; yours or your brother's; it was not for me to consider. I am, first of all, a servant of the State." They went back to the Treasury, where Edmond at once delivered his report.

Bertha found Mrs. Lawson impatiently awaiting her. The Treasurer had sent for the Head of the Redemption Division to investigate an error in one of the packets which Bertha had made up. Mrs. Lawson was highly indignant. "I counted the Ranchers' packet myself," said she. "I am positive there were exactly a hundred bills."

"If one is missing," began Bertha, but the senior lady interrupted her. "Missing? No, nothing is missing at all. There is said to have been one too many." So many miracles had happened that day that poor Bertha could only gape at her in astonishment. It was an anomaly in arithmetic that one taken from one hundred should leave one hundred and one. There came another summons to the Treasurer. Another report had come in of an error from Mrs. Lawson's desk. The old lady was almost in tears but she carried it off with a show of jocosity.

"Either there must be some enormous money knocking about, or Mrs. Bertha Hackett brings a mascot to the treasury," said she. "Is this another surplus thousand-dollar bill, sir?" But this was the shortage which Edmond and Mr. Loring had reported, and it was happily met by the excess in the other packet. So, beyond an admonition tempered in mercy for the manifest distress of the girl, Bertha got into no trouble. She held stoutly to a theory of the intervention of providence when discussing the matter at home, and her husband swept the pious fancy away.

"I reckon Providence don't supply cheating clerks with thousand-dollar bills," said he. "You divided the packet of 100 in two of 50, as you thought. But you counted the first backward, from 100 to 50 inclusive, and that left only forty-nine for the second packet. But why didn't you tell Mrs. Lawson you made one short?" "Fact is, Edmond, that combination chatter of ours had got into my brain. I thought Wilton had pinched a bill, and I reckoned to do more for my brother than Daddy would do for his little girl."

"Ha!" observed old Caleb, filling his pipe. "Duty first, family afterwards, and roguery never at any time, under any circumstances." (The end.) Improved Opportunity. Peter Foote, long since dead, used to be a police Magistrate in Chicago. Foote was intensely Irish and loved to show it. One day a dandily attired young fellow calling himself Frederick Edwards, and plainly betokening by his speech that he hadn't been long from the shores of England, was arraigned before the justice charged with lounging about the parks. When he was arrested he showed fight and had to be dragged into the patrol box. "E'rted me feelin's badly, your worship," said the prisoner, when in the dock the following morning. "E' it me on the sole of me fute an'— 'I don't think you've any feelings in your soul,' growled the sympathizer of downtrodden Ireland. "And, another thing, you must remember you're in America now. In England you object to an Irishman wearing the green. Here we object to Englishmen lying on it; \$1 and costs." And the justice pinched himself to look unconcerned while the Briton begged the clerk to cut the fine down to a "bob."—Chicago Chronicle.

FARM AND GARDEN.

MATTERS OF INTEREST TO AGRICULTURISTS.

Some Up-to-Date Hints About Cultivation of the Soil and Yields Thereof—Horticulture, Viticulture and Floriculture.

Horticultural Observations. As spring approaches the mind of the farmer naturally turns towards the planting of seeds and the setting out of plants. At this time do not permit the practical to entirely eclipse the beautiful. Take another step in advance in the ornamentation of the farm and home. Put out a few trees and vines at least. This does not necessarily mean a large outlay for trees and shrubs brought from a distance. In many places on the farm trees will be found growing wild that if removed and placed in a position where they will be observed in relation to certain other objects will become things of beauty and value. A few running vines, planted in proper positions, will add much to the appearance of the old place.

According to the statement of a prominent horticulturist, frozen apples may be utilized in the making of vinegar. The gentleman in mind said that one winter he had some apples stored in his mill that were caught by a hard freeze. He did nothing with them till they were thawed out in the spring, at which time he put them into his cider mill and ground and pressed them. He got one-third more cider than usual and it made first-class vinegar, and even took less time to acquire acidity than cider made from unfrozen apples. We all know how juicy the apple is that hangs on the tree all winter and is thawed out in the spring. But if there is no objection to such vinegar the question naturally rises "Why don't they make all their cider that way, since they gain one-third more in quantity?"

There are many old orchards that might be galvanized into life by a thorough pruning. When they are in their last stage the danger of such an operation is small; for their usefulness is near an end anyway, and if a few extra crops can be obtained by heroic methods, they should be applied. It is no unusual thing to see a decadent orchard given up to the woodman. A few issues ago we referred to some experiments by H. A. Aldrich, in which the results of pruning an old orchard were shown. In his case the trees bore a heavy crop of apples the following year. Whether subsequent years will show success or failure remains to be seen. The effect may be where a heavy crop is secured for a few years, but early death results. In the case of young vineyards and orchards this is not a result to be worked for; but we can afford to take long chances with dying orchards.

The writer remembers an old Greening apple tree in the East that had lived and borne fruit till its trunk had been split open by some process of nature, revealing a heart falling into decay. A great gale came and tipped the tree over till it rested on its branches. One would think that such a tree had lived out its entire life, and this would have been the case had not the tree been in a place that was in every way suitable to stimulate its recovery. It was sheltered to some extent by the farm outbuildings and more by a board fence. It also received the drainage from the barnyard, and in fact its roots extended to the barnyard. So it continued to live, and year after year it bore a small quantity of very large apples, which were fine in texture and superior in quality. It illustrated the fact that a large supply of fertility in liquid form is of great value as a health-restorer to decadent trees. If we would take this lesson more to heart we would have fewer unproductive orchards. The statement is probably true that more orchards are started to death than are killed by overfeeding.

Listed Potatoes and Corn.

Last summer I was greatly interested in watching a field of "listed" potatoes and corn, says L. B. Pierce in Country Gentleman. A town Irishman had under his charge a small farm just outside the city. He rented it, but when plowing-time came the tenant gave up the contract, and left him with a piece of land of rather doubtful fertility and no one to work it. It had been in corn the year before, and his Irish friend, with but one horse, set his wits to work to get another crop with a minimum of labor. He ran a large shovel plow between the rows one way and marked with a corn-marker the other. He then dropped by hand a strip of potatoes, and planted the rest with corn, covering all by straddling each furrow with a Planet Jr. cultivator, with the sweeps turned inward. The potatoes came nicely, but the seed corn, being taken from a lot got at a feed store, nearly all failed. It was replanted with a "jabber" or hand-planter, but the soil being shallow it failed to cover nicely and was again replanted with a hoe. The result was a long-drawn-out period of waiting for the smallest to get big enough to cultivate, the owner not being advanced enough in his methods to harrow or get a fine-tooth cultivator; in fact, he was bound to be at no additional expense for this somewhat problematical and accidental piece of farming. It must have been about seven weeks after the potatoes were planted before the man got in to cultivate, working across corn and potatoes the first time. By the time he got ready to cross his cultivating, the potatoes were a foot high and alive

with bugs just hatched; but he was equal to the occasion, and one morning I saw him with two wild-cherry boughs lashed across his cultivator. The boughs in going and returning swept as with a besom the high, slender tops, brushing about all the bugs to the ground, and many of the smallest when buried by the cultivator never got back upon the tops, while all were so distributed as to do comparatively little injury; he had to use Paris green on only two poor slopes where the potatoes were too small to receive proper treatment at the passing of the brush. After the man once started the cultivator he worked as only an Irishman can work, and the result seems to point to a fine crop of potatoes, and as good corn as could be expected with two seed failures. I might explain that the crop the previous year had been kept very clean, and the land not being reversed there was but little trouble with early weeds.

This is the first case of "listing" which has come under my observation, and the inference I should draw would be that where corn is to follow corn it might, with some modification, be practiced even in Ohio. Had the man started cultivating across the furrows the day after planting, while the marks were fresh, and put the cultivator down deep close to the hills, there would have been but a very small spot not loosened. The other way, the old cornhills would guide the cultivator at any time before the crop came up, and it would be possible to have the whole under clean, mellow cultivation before the crop came up. It is a quick way of putting in corn or potatoes, and if I had a rush job on hand I should not hesitate to try it.

Proper Location of Crops.

There are few farms that do not have a variety of soils. Especially is this true on hilly land and even on some rolling land. There is the sandy loam and the clay loam and some soils that cannot be called loamy in any sense. Where varieties of soils exist the crops should be placed on them according to the nature of the crops to be grown. One would not suppose this advice necessary, but it is. The writer has seen sugar beets grown on the sandy loam of a farm one year and give immense results, and he has seen the same crop put on heavy, lumpy clay the next year and give almost no results.

This practice not only destroys the usefulness of the crop that is placed on ground unsuited for it, but it displaces some other crop that would thrive on that same ground. The cabbage crop is one that will do well on these heavy clay soils, and the parsnip crop, as every farmer knows, demands clay to do its best. The trouble is that with the parsnip crop the demand is small and no large area can profitably be devoted to growing the root. There are, however, many kinds of farm produce that will do well on such land.

A little study of the adaptability of soils will do much to remedy the evil. When a farmer must raise every kind of produce on one kind of soil he will do well to eliminate a few crops that are especially adapted to soil other than that he has.

Clover Hay.

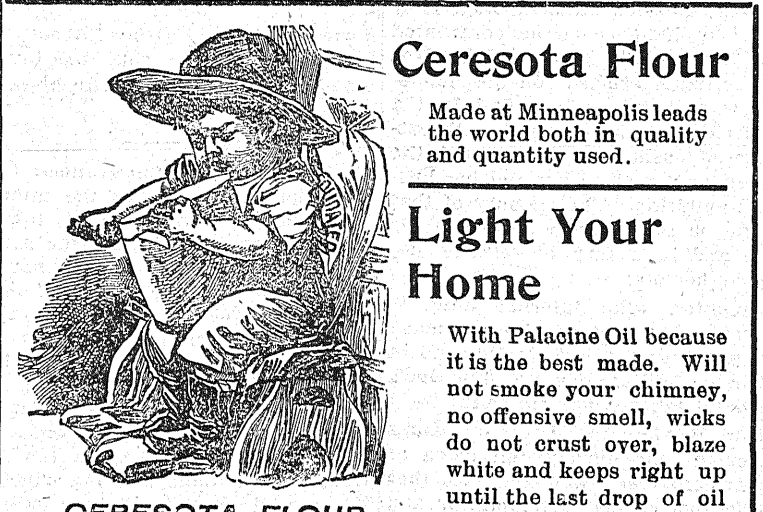
We notice in a contemporary an assault on clover hay. The writer of the article in question seems to think it an impossibility to get clover hay in good order, and says he has "rather raise three bales than one clover hay crop." That is an odd comparison, and we are inclined to think that he knows about as much about raising one as about the other. The complaint is made that it is difficult to get a catch, and after the catch is made it is difficult to know when to cut it. After that the rain always comes, with him, and soaks the hay, making it moldy and unfit to use. Well, we would advise a little experience in the matter. It is indeed often difficult to get a catch, and in some years no amount of forethought can prevent a failure. Many of our best farmers succeed in getting a start by sowing on the snow in March.

As to cutting clover, it has long been a settled tenet with our scientific farmers to cut at time of the earliest blooms, unless the field is a small one, when it may be cut at time of full bloom. The reason for moving at time of first blooms is to get the whole field cut and in process of curing before the blooms begin to fade. This prevents the stalks becoming woody and gives us the fodder in the best possible shape. The curing of clover hay is not such a difficult feat, with good weather. If "eggy New England" can cure clover hay, we see no reason why it should be a difficult task in the West, where the amount of sunshine per month is much greater. In recent years, too, we have the help of a new invention—the hay cap. These caps can be made for a few cents each, and are a complete protection against storms that may come at time of curing the clover. They will last a long time, for some years they will not have to be used at all.

We would like to hear from our readers as to the amount of damage that has been done trees this winter by rabbits and other rodents. When the snow covers the ground the animals that attack fruit trees have their supply of food shut off and have to resort to the bark of trees for sustenance. But this winter has been exceptionally mild with no snow to amount to anything throughout most of the west. According to the accepted theories there should have been no damage done to the trees. What are the facts in the case?

Asparagus can be raised in any well-drained soil, but will do much better and produce earlier in the season in soils that are light and sandy.

# Hints To The Trade At Stevenson's Table Supply House.



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Made at Minneapolis leads the world both in quality and quantity used.

**Light Your Home**  
With Palacine Oil because it is the best made. Will not smoke your chimney, no offensive smell, wicks do not crust over, blaze white and keeps right up until the last drop of oil is out of your lamp.

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The People have learned from experience that Stevenson's is the place to buy Black Strap and when they want to do some fancy Cooking and want the best New Orleans Baking Molasses then they do come because they can't get anything like it anywhere.

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## Local Happenings.

J. C. Lauderbach has a new adv. on first page.

200 pairs of shoes at cost at Ostrander's. See new adv.

Mrs. Jas. Pryke has returned from a visit at Strathroy, Ont.

L. M. Houghton, of Detroit, visited his parents here on Wednesday.

The Cass City Bank of Auten & Seeley has a new adv. in this issue.

P. S. Rice talks of new Spring Goods in his new adv. in this issue. Give him a call.

Read the hints to the trade from Stevenson's Table Supply House on last page.

W. A. Fairweather has a special Carpet announcement this week. Note the complete line to select from.

C. W. Heller is still unable to attend to business, although he has recovered sufficiently to be able to sit up.

2 Macks announce the opening of a large line of Spring Goods. Their stock is immense and worthy your notice.

The call for the village caucus has been issued, the same to be held at the Council Rooms on Friday evening, March 2nd.

Misses Ida and Lillian Striffler entertained Misses Ethel Crow and Myrtle James, of Caro, the latter part of last week.

The M. E. Ladies Aid will meet at Mrs. Wm. Wright's next Wednesday afternoon. Tea served at the usual hour. All are invited.

Isaac Walters, of Pontiac, made a brief visit to friends here and at Bad Axe last week, and on Monday of this week started on a trip to California.

The union evangelistic services continue this week at the M. E. Church, although the stormy weather has interfered materially with the attendance.

Greenleaf people had no preaching services last Sunday on account of the severe storm. Rev. Torbet will preach in the Presbyterian Church there next Sunday at 3 p. m.

W. R. Olin, of Caro, has been in town this week and placed two new Moore phones at the offices of The Wetlaufer & Katz Manufacturing Co. and Dr. M. M. Wickware.

John W. Albert is preparing to move to Alberta, in Northwestern Canada and will have an auction sale on Tuesday, March 13th. J. H. Striffler, auctioneer.

"Escaped from Sing Sing" was reproduced at the J. L. H. Opera House last Saturday evening, but owing to the severity of the weather the attendance was very small.

Jas. Doying, of Caro, O. G. Doying and Mrs. S. Botsford, of Owosso, attended the funeral of Dr. John Doying, of Mason, which was held at this place last Thursday.

Another business change is announced this week. Lenzner Bros., who have conducted a furniture and musical instrument business here for the past nine years have dissolved partnership. C. O. Lenzner will continue handling the furniture line. F. Lenzner will keep musical instruments and give instructions on piano, organ and violin. The business of both C. O. and F. Lenzner will be conducted at the same place as formerly. See adv. in this issue.

Calvin Ale and Miss Evelyn Wickware attended the Masonic ball given at North Branch Friday evening and report a splendid time. Miss Wickware remained over Sunday with friends at North Branch.

Norman Morrison has leased the blacksmith shop of A. H. Muck and will take possession April 1st. Mr. Morrison is already too well known as a proficient smith to need any word of commendation from us.

The creamery at Kingston, which has stood idle for seven years is to be operated the coming season. The business men of that place have bought the plant and formed a company to be known as the Kingston Dairy Co. They hope to begin operations early in April.

Messrs. Hitchcock, McKenzie and Schenck and Misses McKenzie, Crosby, Wickware and Schooley attended the party at Sanilac Center last Wednesday evening. They all speak in the highest terms of the courtesy shown them by the young people of that place.

A. Frutchey has closed another business deal whereby he becomes possessor of the Kingston elevator and feed mill heretofore operated by A. Saigeon. Mr. Frutchey takes possession to-day and intends to place in charge Frank Nettleton, formerly of this place but lately of Toledo.

The startling news reached here on Monday morning that H. E. Burt, of Wickware, had died suddenly on Saturday. Particulars have not come to hand in full but we understand that Mr. Burt was out on Saturday to a meeting of some kind and while riding in the sleigh was taken suddenly dizzy and had to be taken home expiring in a few hours.

Arly, son of E. W. Keating, was unfortunate enough to have his leg broken to day. In company with some other boys, at the request of a farmer, he jumped on a sleigh, when the horses started off briskly and in turning a corner Arly was thrown off with the above result. If farmers allow children to catch on their sleigh they should exercise extreme caution as to how they drive, but we think children should be forbidden the practice, as accidents of this kind are quite frequent.

The New York Edison Exhibition and Specialty Co., gave one of their entertainments in the Opera House last night. Owing to the stormy weather the crowd was rather small, but those who did attend received their moneys worth in full. The moving pictures were fine and were the best that have ever been shown here. The trip to Klondike was fine. The illustrated songs by W. A. Fay, vocalist were well received. They give another entertainment here this evening.

Robt. Brown, of Houghton Street west, departed this life Thursday forenoon, the cause of death being pneumonia. His illness was brief and many of his friends did not know of it until the first of this week, when telegrams were sent for the sons and daughters at Detroit and in Montana. Deceased was an early settler in Elkland township and only moved to town about a year ago, leaving the farm under the management of his son John E. He had been connected with the M. E. Church for many years and was one of its most faithful supporters. The funeral will be on Sunday.

Many local newspapers heretofore published at \$1 per year have adopted the \$1.50 rate and with paper 60 per cent higher than formerly the ENTERPRISE may be forced to do the same. We shall adhere to the \$1 rate as long as possible but would advise our readers to pay up at that rate as promptly as possible before the change is made necessary.

The severity of the weather during the past week has been greater than at any time this winter. Not only has there been a heavy fall of snow but the thermometer took a drop which made the populace keep near the fires as far as possible. On Monday morning at 7:30 it was fourteen degrees below zero and on Tuesday morning eighteen degrees below. Since that time the temperature has been rising slowly and snow has fallen almost continuously making the roads very heavy.

A county Prohibition convention was held at the Town Hall, Cass City, on Monday afternoon. Owing to the exceedingly stormy weather the attendance was small. A Saigeon, of Kingston, chairman of the county committee, called the convention to order and called upon Rev. A. Torbet to open with prayer. The following delegates were then nominated to attend the congressional mass convention at Saginaw on March 8th: Ad. Moreland, Caro; Dr. Bradshaw, Mayville; A. A. P. McDowell, Cass City; W. E. Clough, Caro; Rev. W. H. Allman, Unionville; Rev. T. M. Greenwood, Rees; Rev. F. J. Nichols, Grant; Rev. M. P. Karr, Watrousville; Rev. P. Desjardins, A. Saigeon, A. P. Jeffery, John Elliott, Kingston; Rev. George W. Barlow, Caro; Rev. R. N. Mulholland, S. A. Lane, Vassar; Rev. G. W. Gordon, Akron; Rev. Scott Van Horn, Rev. B. E. Allen, Tuscola; Rev. C. H. Morgan, E. W. Keating, Cass City; Rev. D. B. Miller, Deford. The following telegrams were then elected by ballot for the state convention to be held at Grand Rapids March 29th and 30th: Ad. Moreland, W. E. Clough, Caro; A. Saigeon, Rev. P. Desjardins, Kingston; Rev. R. N. Mulholland, Vassar; Rev. W. H. Allman, Unionville; Rev. F. J. Nichols, Grant; Rev. G. W. Barlow, Caro; Rev. D. B. Miller, Deford; Rev. B. E. Allen, Tuscola. The chairman and secretary were given power to appoint alternates to fill vacancies.

NEW house and lot for sale, located in Pinney's addition. Inquire at Exchange Bank, 3-1-14.

HOUSE and lot for rent. Inquire of E. H. PINNEY.

Girls, if you wish to be a June bride with red lips, laughing eyes, a lovely complexion, take Rocky Mountain Tea this month. 35c. Ask your druggist.

**A Card.**  
We, the undersigned, do hereby agree to refund the money on a fifty cent bottle of Greene's Warranted Syrup of Tar if it fails to cure your cough or cold. We also guarantee a 25 cent bottle to prove satisfactory or money refunded.  
T. H. FRITZ,  
11-2-26  
A. BOND.

Our happiness depends so much upon health that I cannot speak too highly of The Household's well-chosen articles along that line. ENTERPRISE and Household \$1.

To secure the original witch hazel salve, ask for DeWitt's Witch Hazel salve, well known as a certain cure for piles and skin diseases. Beware of worthless counterfeits. They are dangerous! Bond's Drug Store.

**One Woman's Ruling Passion.**  
"There goes a woman," said the girl, "who hasn't a thought on earth except dress. I know that superior man attributes this particular weakness to all women—but it's a canard, as of course are nine out of ten of male estimates of women."

She conquered a refractory button on her glove before she continued. "But that woman who passed us is, without doubt, the most dress crazy woman I have ever met. She knows no topic save dress—can speak of no other subject. She spends one half of her time at her dressmaker's, and the other half is used in exploiting the handicraft of the modiste. Goodness only knows when she manages to get anything to eat. She's dead to every feeling, I believe, except that which has to do with dress. And what do you think she said Saturday? I met her as we were going out of a house of mourning. A young woman whom we both knew had died, and we had been at the funeral. Coming down the steps I noticed my friend, but the feeling of sorrow was too fresh upon me to permit anything more than a nod of recognition. For half a square we walked side by side. Then I said, 'Poor, dear Clara—alive and well one week ago, and now—and she's gone!'"

"Yes," answered my friend blandly, "but wasn't she dressed beautifully? Really, it was a treat to see her!"—Philadelphia Press.

6,000 years we waited for the readiest spring blessing ever offered. It doubles your joys and halves your sorrows. That's what Rocky Mountain Tea does. 35c. Ask your druggist.

We have saved many doctor bills since we began using Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in our home. We keep a bottle open all the time and whenever any of my family or myself begin to catch cold, we begin to use the Cough Remedy and, as a result we never have to send away for a doctor and incur a large doctor bill, for Chamberlain's Cough Remedy never fails to cure. It is certainly a medicine of great merit and worth. D. S. Mearkle, general merchant and farmer, Mattie Bedford county, Pa. For sale at Bond's Drug Store.

**A Matter of Temperature.**  
The little one's mother had said, "Now, doctor, if there is any rise of temperature"—she was great on temperature, by the way—"I will send for you at once. As you know, I have a clinical thermometer and can take the temperature myself without troubling you to come in for the purpose." Just as I was going to bed I was startled by a violent ring at the bell and, hastening to the door, saw a terrified domestic, who gasped: "Oh, sir, please, sir, do come round at once! Miss Marjory is worse. Missus said I was to tell you her temperature is 108 and is rising fast."

Scarcely waiting to put on my hat, I rushed round to the house of my little patient and discovered the whole family assembled in the sickroom awaiting the end of poor little Marjory, the mother wringing her hands in agony and crying dreadfully.

"What's the temperature now?" I almost shouted in my agitation.

"Oh," sobbed the mother, "I haven't dared to look since! My poor darling! It was 108, and they say that 105 is always fatal." And she broke down completely.

Without wasting any more time I turned down the blanket and found that the thermometer had been thrust between the child's side and arm and the bulb imbedded in a freshly applied hot poultice!—Chambers' Journal.

Taken this month keeps you well all summer. Greatest spring tonic known. Rocky Mountain Tea, made by Madison Medicine Co., 35c. Ask your druggist.

**WHAT IS THE SENSE** of paying 50 and 57 cents a pound for condition powder when you can get 2 pounds of Holden's 48-Hour Condition Powder for 25 CENTS and it's GUARANTEED AS GOOD AS THE BEST.

**He Once Knew Something.**  
A middle aged gentleman who has been looking over his old school examination papers writes to the Academy expressing his chagrin at the discovery of the fact that he knows less than he did years ago. "I know some things then—arithmetic, for example. Today I am at the mercy of any waiter who brings me change. At booking offices I keep vast crowds waiting and missing their trains while I do laborious subtraction sums in my head, but at school what a hand I was at figures! Look at this:

"Three graziers, A, B and C, rent a piece of pasture land for a month. A puts on 27 cattle for 21 days, B 19 for 24 days and C 25 for 25 days. If at the end of the month the rent and other charges amount to £25 5s. 10d., how much of this ought to be paid by each?"

"I could do that in 1884. I couldn't do it now. I have no idea where to begin. It may be easy, but the point is that I have not the key. There used to be a jugglery with x, and I could manage it. Now that I pay income tax and have statements of account from my publisher every half year I can manage it no longer. And I seem to have known zoology too. Zoology! I seem to have been able to describe and draw diagrams of the heart and principal blood vessels of the crayfish. Once—good heavens—once I was a well informed boy. Today I don't see how I should pass the third class college of preceptors!"—London Academy.

**A Change**  
In name only. The Lenzner Bros. have dissolved partnership, but the business will be conducted at the same old Stand.

**Give Them a Call**  
when in need of anything in the line of

**Furniture, Carpets, Linoleum, Musical Instruments.**

All kinds of repairing of Furniture and Musical Instruments at

**LENZNER'S Furniture Store.**

**Notice of Dissolution.**  
Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing between C. O. Lenzner and F. Lenzner, of Cass City, Mich., under the firm name of Lenzner Bros., has this day been dissolved by mutual consent. All debts owing to the said partnership are to be paid to C. O. Lenzner and all accounts presented to him for payment.  
C. O. LENZNER,  
F. LENZNER.

Dated March 1st, 1900.

**DOES IT PAY TO BUY CHEAP?**  
A cheap remedy for coughs and colds is all right, but you want something that will relieve and cure the more severe and dangerous result of throat and lung troubles. What shall you do? Go to a warmer and more regular climate? Yes, if possible; if not possible for you, then in either case take the ONLY remedy that has been introduced in all civilized countries with success in severe throat and lung troubles, "Boschee's German Syrup." It not only heals and stimulates the tissues to destroy the germ disease, but always inflammation, gives a good night's rest and cures the patient. Try ONE bottle. Recommended many years by all druggists in the world, sample bottles at T. H. Fritz's.

**PONTIAC OXFORD & NORTHERN R. R.**  
PASSENGER TIME CARD.  
Trains run on Central Standard Time.

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