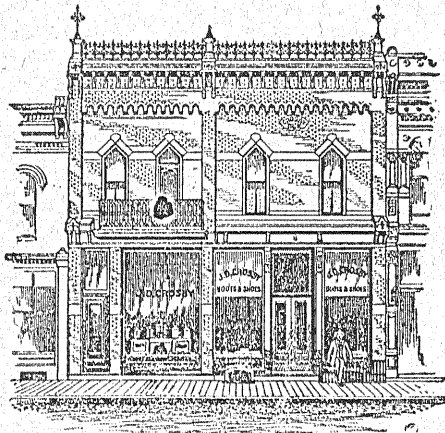


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BY M'DOWELL & WALTERS.



## JUNE BUSINESS

The gates of time have again swung open and closed with a snap on the month of May and we are

## FAIRLY LAUNCHED

Into the month of June. June is a very winning month but the line of

Shoes, Clothing, Hats, Caps, etc.

We are showing are even more Winsome. In June Nature has her soft pedal down and it is an inviting time to go out doors. We have high prices down and it is an inviting time to come and see us.

## J. D. CROSBY.

Butter and Eggs Wanted.

Cass City's Shoe and Clothing Man.

**WE ARE OFFERING A FEW LEADERS THIS WEEK**

Call and get prices.

**Frost & Hebblewhite.**

**OUR AIM**



Is to sell the best goods possible for the least money

consistent with quality. We are bound to be at the top in quality and at the bottom in price. In Clothing, Shoes and Furnishing goods we can give a good variety at prices to please. In Dry Goods, Groceries, Carpets, Etc. we can't be beat no matter what prices others may make see us before you buy. You will find our prices right.

**2 MACKS 2**

### Ground to Let.

Four acres to let on shares to be planted with beans or potatoes. Apply at once to A. W. SEED.

### For Sale

House and lot nicely located. Enquire of HUGH W. SEED.

### Potatoes Wanted

at the Cass City Elevator on or before Monday, June 4th.

F. W. TUCKER, McGEORGE & Co.

### Money to Loan

On farm property in amounts of \$300 to \$2,500 from 2 to 10 years. Will take partial payments. See O. K. JAMES for particulars. 8-4

All kinds of rough and dressed lumber and shingles for sale. P. C. PURDY & SON, Gagetown. 5-31-tf

Am now prepared to furnish cream to private families. J. S. McNAIR 3-31-3

### Farming Lands for Sale

At Owendale and Caseyville, Huron county, easily cleared, rich soil. Also 80 acres 3 miles south west of Cass City at a bargain, easy terms. Address W. C. OWEN, Pontiac, Mich. 6-14-tf

### GRADUATION.

Pleasant Exercises for the High School and Grammar Departments.

The graduating promotional exercises for the pupils of our schools passing from the Eighth Grade to High School, were held at the M. E. Church on Thursday afternoon, beginning at three o'clock. The class of graduates were especially bright and did great credit to themselves and to their teacher, Miss Nellie M. Westland, who feels justly proud of them. The twelve pupils who made up the class were:—Ben Usher, Ethel Ford, Hattie Tanner, Joe Clements, Mamie Brooker, Lois Cleaver, Frank Scripture, Violet Eno, Lucy Fritz, Calvin Striffler, Cecil McKim and Clyde Lutz. The decorations at the church were simple but pretty. Miss Laura Wickware gave an instrumental selection in fine style, and the vocal selection of Miss Westland was well received. The remaining numbers of the program were given by the members of the class, evidencing thorough work in the Grammar Department. Prof. C. S. Weaver tendered a few words of advice and congratulation as he presented the diplomas. The church was well filled with the friends of the graduates and the exercises were most pleasing throughout.

The J. L. H. Opera House was well filled on Thursday evening last for the Graduating Exercises of the class of '00. Prof. Chas. S. Weaver has previously demonstrated his ability in arranging and carrying out a graduating program and the exercises of Thursday evening strongly sustain his previous reputation. Everything went like clock work, every member of the large class knowing their places without as much as a signal. A bank of ferns and hydrangeas in bloom completely hid the footlights at the front of the stage, while palms and other foliage plants mingled with the graceful fuchsia and brilliant geranium made a very pleasing effect. The lady members of the class appeared in white and their costumes were very neat. The opening number of the program was an instrumental selection by Miss Lottie Anna Weaver, "Marche Celebre" (Wachtmann), after which Rev. A. Torbet gave the invocation. Anna Louise Gillies then sang "Murmuring Zephyrs" with splendid effect. "He conquers who overcomes himself" was the subject of the salutatory address given by Leola L. Lauderbach, followed by an essay on "Heroines and heroine worship," by Ella M. Cross. Jas. H. Schwaderer discussed the important question "Are Strikes Justifiable?" and Bertha C. Benkelman gave a charming word picture of "A Garden of the tropics." Miss Gillies then gave a vocal selection "Carmena," followed by a sketch of William E. Gladstone as "The Grand Old Man" by Coarria K. Fitch. Stanley H. Schenck gave the oration, the subject being "The call of the flag," and Hollis McBurney the class poem. The essay of Percy V. Eno treated of the "Beginning and ending of this century." "Across the Dee" was nicely rendered by Miss Gillies. Miss Ida Striffler gave the class history in a happy style, and C. LeRoy Spencer gave a masterly paper on the "Charity of to-day." Bertha C. McKenzie, post graduate, took up "America's Greatest Need," and M. Frances Martus spoke in the valedictory of "The Cultivation of the taste for the beautiful." Commissioner P. G. Davis, of Mayville, gave the address to the class. His words were well chosen and to the point. W. J. Campbell, as president of the Board of Education, presented the diplomas. The "Sunshine Song," by Miss Gillies, was an appropriate ending for such a program. A very pleasing feature was the fact that throughout the productions given by members of the class there was expressed a sentiment which, if carried throughout their lives, cannot fail to make each one a potent influence for good, and give a beautiful coloring to the sunset of each life. May every member of the class of '00 be successful and useful wherever their lot may be cast.

Miss Nancie MacArthur, who has been assistant principal of the Millington schools for the past two years, has completed the term there and is spending her vacation at her home here. She has caused to be placed on our desk a beautiful souvenir gotten out by the Millington school, called the "Eclipse," giving portraits of the staff of teachers, board of editors, historical sketch of the school, and other interesting features. The Vassar Pioneer presses have the credit for turning out the very tasty booklet.

### Local Happenings.

Joe Grigware spent Sunday at Bad Axe.

Geo. Kolb, of Caro, is visiting friends here.

Mrs. F. Klump returned on Friday from Davison.

Miss Katie Heller, of Kingston, is visiting in town.

J. S. McArthur made a trip to Caro the first of the week.

John Carruthers, of Argyle, did business here on Friday.

See what H. B. Fairweather says about the glorious Fourth.

Walter Shell returned from North Branch on Tuesday evening.

Miss Georgia Tanner, of Bay Port, visited friends here last week.

The haying season is at hand, and the new crop is already coming in.

Mrs. J. H. Harris and children, of Caro, is the guest of Mrs. G. A. Stevenson.

Dr. Johnson, of Detroit, was the guest of E. F. Marr a part of this week.

A number of our people attended the union picnic near Argyle on Wednesday.

Miss Pearl Hobart, of Columbia, was the guest of Miss Ora Wickware part of last week.

Wm. Harris, of Flint, was visiting G. A. McFall and family two days last week.

Mrs. A. A. P. McDowell was taken quite ill on Monday but is now convalescent.

Miss Nellie McArthur, of Deford, was the guest of Miss Ethel Ford a part of last week.

Mrs. Milton and daughter, Miss Maude, of Novesta, were in town on Thursday of last week.

Martin Dew is improving his residence property by raising the lawn to a level with the sidewalk.

Our village fathers failed to secure a quorum on Monday evening and consequently no business was transacted.

There will be holy communion, baptism and reception of members at the Presbyterian Church next Sunday morning.

Prof. Chas. S. Weaver had the pleasure of entertaining his father, from Watrousville, on Thursday last.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Kennedy and Mr. and Mrs. John Riker have returned from an outing at Prairie River, Ont.

H. P. Weydemeyer, Newman Frost, Grant Fritz and Chauncey Campbell spent a few days at Oak Bluff this week.

W. A. Fairweather and A. H. Ale were at North Branch on Tuesday evening, attending a school of instruction in the P. & A. M.

I. B. Auten has contracted with John Wellman to lay a cement walk along the Seegar Street side of his residence property.

Mr. and Mrs. John Brown and children, of Hancock, Mich., are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Marr and other friends in this vicinity.

Thieves have visited the wholesale egg house of Frutehey & Co. of late, but their depredations have been checked by the placing of new doors and locks.

Fourth of July celebrations will be held at Caro, Gagetown, Argyle and Novesta, while a number of select picnics are being planned for by those who wish to enjoy a day more quietly.

Port Huron is arranging to celebrate the 4th in high style and the L. A. W. Festival will continue the next day. The secretary has kindly forwarded a complimentary ticket for the grounds.

Miss Una Howell, of Caro, was married on Tuesday, to Fred H. Holmes, a druggist at Marine City. Miss Howell is well known by many of our readers, whom we join in extending congratulations.

The Courtenay-Morgan Co., played at the J. L. H. Opera House three nights this week. Monday night they played "Quo Vadis" to a fair sized audience. Tuesday evening, "Fun on the Farm," and Wednesday evening, "The Prince of Liars."

Messrs. H. L. Pinney and Geo. Matzen on Tuesday evening received two Belgian Hare does from a prominent breeder at Los Angeles, Calif. The animals are beauties and stood the long journey well. Our townsmen have been careful in the selection of their stock and are well pleased with the specimens secured.

### Summer Lawns, Dimities, Umbrellas, Parasols and Summer Corsets

Bre the special features at W. A. FAIRWEATHER'S for the coming week. We offer 144 pairs Summer Corsets well 40c per pair at 25c

### A new line of LADIES' AND GENTS' UMBRELLAS AND PARASOLS

At 50c to \$3.00 each all new clean stock every one extra good value. Summer Lawns worth 7c for 3c. Summer Dimities worth 12 1/2c for 8c. Summer Lawns worth 20c for 15c. All our 15c light Percales for 13 1/2c. All our 12 1/2c Gingham for 10c.

Bargains all over the store. Bargains for everyone. Butter and Eggs wanted.

## W. A. FAIRWEATHER.

## We Are Talking To The Farmers

We want them to distinctly understand that we are carrying the largest stock of implements and farming utensils in the Thumb of Michigan. J. H. Striffler, the senior member of the firm has had 29 years experience in selling, repairing and purchasing farm goods and everything pertaining to farm use. In so doing he has utilized his ability in selecting and contracting for standard goods. Goods that are in the lead, has no equal and has a world's reputation. His years of experience and honest dealing has given him an unlimited advantage over his competitors, and they are actually compelled to choose from and handle inferior stock. To convince the farmers of this we will enumerate some of our goods and prices.

### WE SELL.

The Champion, Milwaukee and Osborne Binders and Mowers. The best Horse Rakes on earth. The largest stock and greatest variety to choose from. Hand dump \$12, self dump from \$16 to \$25. The Empire, Superior and Buckeye Grain Drills with or without Phosphate attachment. The American Cultivator which has no equal. The American Woven Wire Fence. The Paige Woven Wire Fence. Sections for all kinds of machines throughout the State. The Syracuse, Osborne and Buffalo Pitts spring tooth harrows. The Nicholas and Sheppard, Westing House and Buffalo Pitts engines and separators and Wasting House and Buffalo Pitts bean thresher.

**Our Buggy Department** is filled to its utmost capacity. We sell the best Standard Twine for 11 1/2 cents per lb. We don't discriminate by charging the man that buys a small quantity 12 1/2c and selling to the other man a large quantity at 11 1/2c. Our prices is the same to each and every one, regardless of quantity. We are no Jonas.

## J. H. Striffler & Co.

**Sharp Pointers.** We are after your shoe business. and if you are after the best shoes for the least money you will buy from us.

**In Dry Goods** we have all the staples at lowest prices, and a NUMBER OF GOOD THINGS TO CLOSE AT CUT PRICES.

**Groceries** will go at lowest prices at all times as we don't intend to be undersold.

We keep up the prices on butter and eggs. If you think there is not room for you in our store on Saturday, come in and we will make room for you.

## Laing & Janes.

# CASS CITY ENTERPRISE.

A. A. P. McDowell, Publisher.

CASS CITY, MICHIGAN.

Some of New Zealand's experiments in state socialism seem to have been remarkably successful. The "Advances to Settlers Department" has just reported having issued loans to 7,000 settlers representing two millions of money. Not one shilling had been lost, and not one penny, either of principal or interest, had remained uncollected.

Many journals, each unique in its way, has been produced in the course of the campaign in South Africa. One or two of these are hard to beat in diminitiveness, but the smallest newspaper in the world, having a record of several years' regular weekly issue, is published in Guadalajara, in Mexico. Its name is "El Telegrafo," it appears every Sunday and is published in eight columns, 1 1/2 inches long, and one and a half inches wide, on thick Manila paper. Its staff includes an editor and director, an administrator or business manager, the printer, and last, but by no means least, the capitalist or owner.

The French fleet is to be provided with a new quick-firing gun, said to be superior to any now in use, and an order has been given to the Ruelle works, Charente, for the supply of 100 of these cannon to the fleet before the end of the year. The gun is of 16 millimeters (6.3 inches) caliber, throws a projectile of 52 kilos (114 pounds), has a muzzle velocity of 900 meters (2,952 feet-per-second), and can be fired five times per minute. The projectile will pierce steel armor plate of 32 centimeters (12.6 inches) in thickness and of 20 centimeters (7.8 inches) up to 3,000 meters.

At the recent marriage of the Crown Prince of Japan, immense multitudes in the streets watched and applauded the bridal procession, but not a person looked out of an upper window. To the American eye and mind this seemed strange. But the Japanese explanation of it was simple. It is contrary to etiquette—indeed, to loyalty—for a Japanese to look down, either literally or figuratively, upon a member of the royal family. One smiles at the quaint conceit that would interpret the visual angle as a slight. Yet there is much that is admirable and worthy of emulation in scrupulous regard for what are esteemed duty and honor.

The Hon. Henry Copeland, who succeeds Sir Julian Salomons as agent-general for New South Wales in London, was, like the premier of New Zealand, originally a working miner. He spent years on the Ballarat goldfields in Victoria before he settled in Sydney, one of the divisions of which he represented in parliament until his recent promotion to London. In a farewell editorial a Sydney paper says of him: "A working miner he was, and a working miner he remains. He still expresses himself as of old in vigorous and unadorned Anglo-Saxon that will make Mr. Chamberlain sit up when the pair commence to negotiate on controversial colonial questions."

Dr. Andrew Gerber, a wealthy physician of Mount Joy, made a peculiar will, in which he devised to his son Christian, only one-half the income during life of one of his farms. Almost the entire residue of his estate, amounting to about \$200,000, was bequeathed to his great-grandchildren, of whom none was in existence at the time of the decedent's death. Dr. Gerber held strange religious views and believed that at the time his youngest grandchild would arrive at the age of 22 years, he (the deceased) would return to earth, and he desired his estate kept intact until that time. The will was contested and the Supreme court gave Christian Gerber absolutely all that part of the estate bequeathed to the future generations.

Sensational morganatic marriages seem to be the order of the day in the Austrian imperial family; for after those of the Countess Stephanie de Lonyay and Archduke Franz Ferdinand it now appears that the beautiful Archduchess Maria Theresa has petitioned the emperor for permission to marry her master of the household, Maj.-Gen. Count Cavriani. The archduchess, who is the widow of the Archduke Charles Louis, the emperor's brother, whose third wife she was, is a princess of Braganza, and in her 45th year. She has been a widow just four years. Curiously enough she is the stepmother of Archduke Franz Ferdinand, who has morganatically married the Countess Sophie Chotek. The archduchess has two daughters, the Archduchesses Maria Annunziata and Elizabeth, 24 and 22 years old respectively, who, with their cousin, the emperor's granddaughter, are at present the belles of the imperial court. Count Cavriani is a fine-looking, soldierly man, slightly older than his royal fiancée.

According to the Philadelphia Record, a great deal of the paper money that is in constant circulation in America gets frequent washing. In some banks there is a regular wash-day every month, when a clerk may be seen bent over a tub rubbing notes up and down on a wash-board. The dirty greenbacks are soaped and rubbed just like handkerchiefs and socks, and are put through a wringer before being put out to dry. After the notes have been passed through the wringer they are hung on a line stretched in the bank clerks' department.

# REPUBLICAN PLATFORM.

## Gold Standard to be Maintained in Its Integrity.

## WORKINGMEN LOOKED AFTER.

### Trusts, the Bad Kind, to be Restrained by Legislation—Pensions Should be Liberal and War Revenues Reduced—Cuba to be Made Free.

Following is the full text of the platform adopted by the Republicans in convention at Philadelphia, June 20, 1900:

"The Republicans of the United States through their chosen representatives met in national convention, looking back upon an unassurged record of achievement and looking forward into a great field of duty and opportunity, and appealing to the judgment of their countrymen, make these declarations:

"The expectation in which the American people turning from the Democratic party, entrusted power four years ago to a Republican chief magistrate and a Republican congress, has been met and satisfied. When the people then assembled at the polls, after a term of Democratic legislation and administration, business was dead, industry paralyzed and the national credit disastrously impaired. The country's capital was hidden away and its labor distressed and unemployed.

"The Democrats had no other plan with which to improve the ruinous conditions which they had themselves produced than to coin silver at the rate of 16 to 1. The Republican party, denouncing this plan as sure to produce conditions even worse than those from which relief was sought, promised to restore prosperity by means of two legislative measures—a protective tariff and a law making gold the standard of value.

"The people by great majorities issued to the Republican party a commission to enact these laws. This commission has been executed, and the Republican promise is redeemed. Prosperity more general and more abundant than we have ever known has followed these enactments. There is no longer controversy as to the value of any government obligation. Every American dollar is a gold dollar or its assured equivalent, and American credit stands higher than that of any nation. Capital is fully employed and labor everywhere is profitably occupied.

"No single statement more strikingly tells the story of what Republican government means to the country than this—that while during the whole period of 107 years from 1790 to 1897, there was an excess of exports over imports of only \$38,028,497. There has been in the short three years of the present Republican administration an excess of exports over imports in the enormous sum of \$1,483,337,094.

"And while the American people, sustained by the Republican legislation, have been achieving these splendid triumphs in their business and commerce, they have conducted and in fact secured a more liberal and more humane rights. No thought of national aggrandizement furnished the high purpose with which American standards were unfurled. It was a war unthought and patiently resisted, but which the American government was ready. Its fleets were cleared for action. Its army was in the field and the quick and signal triumph of its forces on land and sea bore equal tribute to the courage of the American soldiers and sailors and to the skill and foresight of Republican statesmanship. To 10,000,000 of the human race there was given a new birth of freedom, and to the American people a new and noble responsibility.

"We indorse the administration of William McKinley. Its action have been established in wisdom and in patriotism, and at home and abroad it has distinctly elevated and extended the influence of the American nation. Walking untried paths and facing untried responsibilities, President McKinley has been in every situation the true American patriot, and the upright statesman, clear in vision, always inspiring and deserving the confidence of his countrymen.

"We indorse the American people to indorse this Republican record and to renew their commission to the Republican party, we remind them of the fact that the menace to their prosperity has always resided in Democratic principles and no less in the general unresponsibility of the Democratic party to conduct public affairs. The prime essential of business prosperity is public confidence in the good sense of the government and its ability to deal intelligently with each new problem of administration and legislation. That confidence the Democratic party has never earned. It is hopelessly inadequate, and the country's prosperity when Democratic success at the polls is announced halts and ceases in mere anticipation of Democratic blunders and failures.

### Gold Standard Favored.

"We renew our allegiance to the principle of the gold standard and declare our confidence in the wisdom of the legislation of the fifty-sixth congress by which the parity of all our money and the stability of our currency upon a gold basis has been secured.

"We recognize that interest rates are a potent factor in production and business activity, and for the purpose of further equalizing and of further lowering the rate of interest, we favor such monetary legislation as will enlarge the varying needs of the season and of all sections to be promptly met in order that trade may be evenly sustained, labor steadily employed and commerce enlarged. The volume of money in circulation was never so great per capita as it is to-day. We declare our steadfast opposition to the free and unlimited coinage of silver. No measure to that end could be considered which was without the support of the leading commercial countries of the world. However firmly Republican legislation may seem to have secured the country against the peril of base and discredited currency, the election of a Democratic president could

not fail to impair the country's credit and to bring once more into question the intention of the American people to maintain upon the gold standard the parity of their money circulation. The Democratic party must be convinced that the American people will never tolerate the Chicago platform.

### Against Trusts.

"We recognize the necessity and propriety of the honest co-operation of capital to meet new business conditions and especially to extend rapidly increasing foreign trade, but we condemn all conspiracies and combinations intended to restrict business, to create monopolies, to limit production, or to control prices, and favor such legislation as will effectively restrain and prevent all such abuses, protect and promote competition and secure the rights of producers, laborers and all who are engaged in industry and commerce.

"We renew our faith in the policy of protection to American labor. In that policy our industries have been established, diversified and maintained. By protecting the home market competition has been stimulated and production cheapened. Opportunity to the injured worker has been secured and wages in every department of labor maintained at high rates, higher now than ever before, and always distinguished our working people in their better conditions of life from those of any competing country. Enjoying the benefits of the American common schools, secure in the right of self-government and protected in the occupancy of their own markets, their constantly increasing knowledge and skill have enabled them finally to enter the markets of the world. We favor the associated policy of reciprocity so directed as to open our markets on favorable terms for what we do not ourselves produce in return for free foreign markets.

"In the further interest of American workers we favor a more effective restriction of the immigration of cheap labor from foreign lands, the extension of opportunities of education for working children, the raising of the age limit for child labor, the protection of free labor as against contract labor and an effective system of labor insurance.

"We approve the annexation of the Hawaiian islands.

"Our present dependence upon foreign shipping for nine-tenths of our foreign carrying is a great loss to the industry of this country. It is also a serious danger to our trade for its sudden withdrawal in the event of European war would seriously cripple our expanding foreign commerce. The national defense and naval efficiency of this country, moreover, supply a compelling reason for legislation which will enable us to recover our former place among the trade carrying fleets of the world.

### Pensions and Civil Service.

"The nation owes a debt of profound gratitude to the soldiers and sailors who have fought its battles, and it is the government's duty to provide for the survivors and for the widows and orphans of those who have fallen in its wars. The pension laws, founded in this just sentiment, should be liberal and should be liberally administered, and preferences should be given wherever practicable with respect to employment in the public service to soldiers and sailors and to their widows and orphans.

"We commend the policy of the Republican party in maintaining the efficiency of the civil service. The administration has acted wisely in its effort to secure for public service in Cuba, Porto Rico, Hawaii and the Philippine islands, only those whose fitness has been determined by training and experience. We believe that employment in the public service in these territories should be confined as far as practicable to the inhabitants.

"It was the plain purpose of the fifteenth amendment to the constitution to prevent discrimination on account of race or color in regulating the elective franchise. Devices of state governments, whether by statutory or constitutional enactment to avoid the purpose of this amendment are revolutionary and should be condemned.

"Public movements looking to a permanent improvement of the roads and highways of the country meet with our cordial approval, and we recommend this subject to the earnest consideration of the people and of the legislatures of the several states.

"We favor the extension of the rural free delivery system wherever its execution may be justified.

"In further pursuance of the constant policy of the Republican party to provide free homes on the public domain, we recommend adequate national legislation to reclaim the arid lands of the United States, and we recommend the distribution of water for irrigation to the respective states and territories.

### To Reduce War Taxes.

"The Dingley act amended to provide sufficient revenue for the conduct of the war has so well performed its work that it has been possible to reduce the war debt in the sum of \$40,000,000. So simple are the government's revenues and so great the public confidence in the integrity of its obligations that its newly funded 2 per cent bonds sell at a premium. The country is now justified in expecting and it will be the policy of the Republican party to bring about a reduction of the war taxes.

"We favor the construction, ownership, control and protection of an isthmian canal by the government of the United States. New markets are necessary for the increasing surplus of our farm products. Every effort should be made to open and obtain new markets, especially in the Orient, and the administration is warmly to be commended for its successful effort to combat the policy of the open door in China. In the interest of our expanding commerce, we recommend that congress create a department of commerce and industries in the charge of a secretary with a seat in the cabinet. The United States' consular system should be reorganized under the supervision of this new department upon such a basis of appointment and tenure as will render it still more serviceable to the nation's increasing trade.

"The American government must

protect the person and property of every citizen wherever they are wrongfully violated or placed in peril.

"We congratulate the women of America upon their splendid record of public service in the volunteer aid association and as nurses in camp and hospital during the recent campaigns of our armies in the eastern and western Indies, and we appreciate their faithful co-operation in all works of education and industry.

### Foreign Affairs.

"President McKinley has conducted the foreign affairs of the United States with distinguished credit to the American people. In releasing us from the vexatious conditions of a European alliance for the government of Samoa, his course is specially to be commended. By securing to our undivided control the most important island of the Samoan group and the best harbor in the Southern Pacific, every American interest has been safeguarded.

"We commend the part taken by our government in the Spanish war, at The Hague. We assert our steadfast adherence to the policy of the Monroe doctrine. The provisions of The Hague convention were wisely regarded when President McKinley tendered his friendly offices in the interest of peace between Great Britain and the South African Republic. While the American government must continue the policy prescribed by Washington, affirmed by every succeeding president and imposed upon us by The Hague treaty of international relations, European controversies, the American people earnestly hope that a way may soon be found, honorable alike to both contending parties to terminate the strife between them.

### Philippines and Cuba.

"In accepting by the treaty of Paris the just responsibility of our victories in the Spanish war, the president and the senate won the undoubted approval of the American people. No other course was possible than to destroy Spain's sovereignty throughout the Western Indies and in the Philippine islands. This course created our responsibility before the world and with the unorganized population whom our intervention had freed from Spain, to provide for the maintenance of law and order, and for the establishment of good government and for the performance of international obligations. Our authority could not be less than our responsibility and wherever sovereign rights were extended it became the high duty of the government to maintain its authority, to put down armed dependence and to confer the blessings of liberty and civilization upon all the rescued peoples. The largest measure of self-government consistent with their welfare and our duties shall be secured to them by law. To Cuba, independence and self-government were assured in the same voice by which war was declared and to the letter this pledge shall be performed.

"The Republican party upon its history and upon this declaration of its policy, confidently and approvingly judgment of the American people."

### NEGRO FOLK LORE.

A home-made epitaph on a colored brother reads: "His soul wuz de acorn dat's gone 'um de hull; he fit a good fight, but his razor was dull!"—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

"Jedge, yo' honoh," protested Mr. Zeke Snowball, "deed I don't stony dat chicken. No, suh, I didn't stole takin' it—but I didn't steal it. I commandeered it, suh. Dat's what." But Mr. Snowball's effort to introduce Boer sympathy into his defense was of no avail.—Baltimore American.

The Rev. Mr. Snowball was discoursing at great length upon the story of Jonah. "What was Jonah?" he asked. "Wuh was he? He was er wohn er de dus, like all mankind." "Didn't make very good bait," interrupted Zeke Darkleigh, who was thinking of the good fishing he had missed by going to church.—Baltimore American.

Parson Johnson—Hyah—hyah, Brudder Cawtah, what am yo' 'strodinary hurry—am dat fowl yo' hab undah yo' coht yo' own proparty? Mr. Carter—It am foe' de present, Pawson, but of yo' delay me, sah, de fowl will shorly divert tuh de farmstead, sah—he am comin' down de road wid a dawg an' a shawt gun, sah.—Ohio State Journal.

"Uncle Rastus," said to preach to the colored population, while his master preached to the white folk. "Rastus always took his text from his master's sermon. 'Massa,' said 'Rastus one Saturday, 'wat am de tex' for de mawmin'?" "My text," said his master, "will be, 'And the multitude went unto him with divers diseases.'" So the next day Uncle Rastus confronted his flock and said: "Ma breven, de tex' of de sermon dis mawmin' am, 'An' de multitude—de multitude went unto him with divers diseases.'" An' Ah want to say right here dat de mumps, de mumps, may be cured by a pheesishun; and dere is de grip, wut may be cured by a pheesishun; and even the yellow fever maught be cured by the doctars, but them wut's got de dahves diseases, dey must go straight to de Lawd himself.—Atlanta Constitution.

### PHILOSOPHICAL PESSIMISMS.

It's an ill wind that blows no good, and a good wind that some one cannot kick at.

Living the life as we find it is like a starving man eating what is set before him.

The camera takes people as they are and the photographer makes them as they are not.

"How much worse is it for a man to say 'D—' than to think it and say 'gosh darn'?"

Many a man works hard for others for a life time and has to show for it but the sore spots where he was kicked.

There is woe and whoa, and if woe would only obey our whoa it would be worth while driving.—Milwaukee Journal.

# TALMAGE'S SERMON.

## THE BIBLE, THE SUBJECT ON LAST SUNDAY.

### Good Accomplished Thereby an Evidence of Its Divine Origin—An Answer to the Cheap Agnosticism of the Present Day.

(Copyright, 1900, by Louis Klopsch.)  
Text, Matthew vii., 16, "Do men gather grapes of thorns?"

Not in this country. Not in any country. Thorns stick, thorns lacerate, but all the thorns ever put together never yielded one cluster of Catawba or Isabella grapes. Christ of Nazareth, the master of art and potent illustration, is thus setting forth what you and I well know, that you cannot get that which is pleasant and healthful and good from that which is bad. If you find a round, large, beautiful cluster of grapes, you know that it was produced by a good grape vine and not from a tangle of Canada thistle. Now, if I can show you that this holy Bible yields good fruit, healthful fruit, grand fruit, splendid fruit, you will come to the conclusion that it is a good Bible, and all the arguments of the skeptic against it when he tries to show it is a bad book will go overboard.

"Do men gather grapes of thorns?" Can a bad book yield good results? Skeptics with great vehemence declare that the Bible is a cruel book. They read the story of the extermination of the Canaanites and of all the ancient wars and the history of David and Joshua, and they come to the conclusion that the Bible is in favor of laceration and manslaughter and massacre. Now, a bad book will produce a cruel result.

### Effect on Children.

What has been the effect upon your children of this cruel book? Or if you do not allow the book to be read in your household, what has been the effect upon the children of other households where the word of God is honored? Have they, as a result of reading this cruel book gone forth with a cruel spirit to pull the wings off flies and to pluck grasshoppers and to rob birds' nests? A cruel book ought to make cruel people. If they diligently read it and get absorbed with its principles that cause most produce that effect. At what time did you notice that the teachings of this holy Bible created cruelty in the heart and life of George Peabody, of Miss Dix, of Florence Nightingale, of John Howard, of John Frederic Oberlin, of Abbot Lawrence? Have you noticed in reading the biography of these people that in proportion as they become friends of the Bible they become enemies to humanity? Have you not, on the contrary, noticed that all the institutions of mercy established or being established were chiefly supported by the friends of this book? There is the hospital in wartime. There are twenty Christian women. They are binding up wounds; they are offering cordials; they are kneeling down by the dying praying for their departing spirits. Where does the cruelty crop out? They have been reading the Bible all their lives. They read it every morning; they read it every night; they carry it under their arm when they go into the hospital.

Where does the cruelty of the book crop out? Is it in the gentleness of their step? Is it in the cadence of their voice? Is it in the sympathetic prayer they offer at the bedside of the dying? Your common sense tells you that a cruel book must produce cruel results. When you can make a rose leaf stab like a bayonet, and when you can manufacture icicles out of the south wind, and when you can poison your tongue with honey got from blossoming buckwheat, then you can get cruelty out of the Bible. That charge of the skeptics falls flat in the presence of every honest man.

### The Charge of Infidels.

Again, infidels go on and most vehemently charge that this Bible is an impure book. You all know that an impure book produces impure results. No amount of money could hire you to allow your child to read an unclean book. Now, if this Bible be an impure book, where are the victims? Your father read it—did it make him a bad man? Your mother read it—did it make her a bad woman? Your sister fifteen years in heaven died in the faith of this gospel—did it despoil her nature? Some say there are 200,000,000 copies of the Bible in existence, some say there are 400,000,000 copies of the Bible. It is impossible to get the accurate statistics, but suppose there are 200,000,000 copies of the Bible abroad, this book read more than any twenty books that the world ever printed, this book abroad for ages, for centuries—where are the victims? Show me 1,000. Show me 500 victims of an impure book. Show me 100 despoiled of the Bible. Show me fifty. Show me ten. Show me two. Show me one! Two hundred million copies of an impure book and not one victim of the impurity! On the contrary, you know very well that it is where the Bible has the most power that the family institution is most respected.

Again, agnostics go on still further, and they say the Bible is a mass of contradictions, and they put prophet against prophet, evangelist against evangelist, apostle against apostle, and they say if this be true, how, then, can that be true? Mr. Mill, who was a friend of the Bible, said he had discovered 30,000 different readings of the Scriptures, and yet not one important difference out of 30,000—only the difference that one might expect from the fact that the book came down from generation to generation and was copied by a great many hands. And

yet I put before you this fact today, that all the Bible writers agree in the four great doctrines of the Bible.

What are those four great doctrines? God—good, kind, patient, just, loving, omnipotent. Man—a lost sinner. Two destinies—one for believers, the other for unbelievers; all who accept Christ reaching that home and only those destroyed who destroy themselves; only those who turn their backs upon Christ and come to the precipice and jump off, for God never pushes a man off, he jumps off. Now, in these four great doctrines all the Bible writers agree. Mozart, Beethoven, Handel and Haydn never wrote more harmonious music than you will find in this perfect harmony of the word of God, the harmony in providence and in grace.

### A Remarkable Fact.

You must remember also that the authors of the Bible came from different lands, from different ages and from different centuries. They had no communication with each other; they did not have an idea as to what was the chief design of the Bible, and yet their writings got up from all these different lands and all these different ages and all these different centuries, coming together, make a perfect harmony in the opinion of the very best scholars of all lands. Is not that a most remarkable fact?

Again, infidels vehemently charge that the Bible is an unscientific book. In a former discourse I showed you that there was no collision between science and revelation, and I went from point to point in the discussion, but now let us have authority in this matter. You and I cannot give forty or fifty or sixty years exclusively to the study of science that some men give. Let us have authority in this matter.

### Infidelity Non-Suited.

Now, I might, as infidels have failed to prove that the Bible is a cruel book, that the Bible is an impure book, that the Bible is a contradictory book, that the Bible is an unscientific book—I might move a nonsuit in this case of infidelity, the plaintiff, against Christianity, the defendant, but I will not take advantage of the circumstances, for when the skeptic goes on to say that we are a gullible people, when he goes on to say, as he often does, that the greater the improbability, the more we like to believe it, when he goes on to say that the Bible is made up of a lot of manuscripts, one picked up here and another there and another from some other place and that the whole thing is an imposition on the credulity of the human race, I must reply to that charge.

The Bible is made up of the Old Testament and the New Testament. Let us take the New Testament first. Why do I believe it? Why do I take it to my heart? It is because it can be traced back to the divine heart just as easily as that aisle can be traced to that door, and that aisle to that door. Jerome and Eusebius in the first century and Origen in the second and other writers in the third and fourth centuries gave a list of the New Testament writers just exactly corresponding with our list, showing that the same New Testament which we have they had in the fourth century and the third century and the second century and the first century. But where did they get the New Testament? They got it from Ireneus. Where did Ireneus get it? He got it from Polycarp. Where did Polycarp get it? He got it from St. John, who was the personal associate of the Lord Jesus Christ. My grandfather threw up his arms in an agony of solicitation as he said, "But where shall I go last of all?" Thank God, this Bible tells the Hindoo, tells you, tells me, not where I shall go today, not where I shall go tomorrow, not where I shall go next year, but where I shall go last of all!

### World's Most Rapid Readers.

Perhaps the fastest reader the world ever knew was Gladstone. He could read and digest a novel of 50,000 words, a scientific work as large or larger, a political treatise or history by merely glancing at the leaves as he turned them over. His eye and mind seemed to photograph with the rapidity of an instantaneous camera. His eye was the lens, his mind the sensitive plate. In his reading he was omnivorous to the last degree. The most rapid reader we ever had in this country was John G. Carlisle, former senator from Kentucky, speaker of the house, secretary of the treasury, and now legal representative of a giant trust, with headquarters in New York. Joe Blackburn, the most popular man in Kentucky, says that Carlisle is the most remarkable man he ever saw; that he can tell the contents of a book without looking at it, and give the synopsis of an argument on being told the name of the author.

### Slam's Navy.

The Siamese navy consists of between forty and fifty vessels, the largest of which is a well-armed and capable vessel of 3,000 tons, named the Mahachari. Nearly all the vessels are armed with quick-firing, modern guns, and are manned by native crews, who are strictly disciplined and have shown considerable adaptability as sailors. There are three or four English, Danish or German officers on each of the vessels of the fleet, the only American being Dr. Hayes of Baltimore, who is a surgeon on the staff of Admiral de Richelieu.—San Francisco Chronicle.

### To Clean Straw Hats.

Sulphur and lemon juice rubbed into a white straw hat will remove the discoloration caused by sun and dust. Place weights on the brim while drying.

The infidels have been trying to pull away the miracles, pulling away at the blasted fig tree, at the turning of the water into wine, at the raising of Lazarus from the dead. Can you show me a Bible from which one of these miracles has been erased? How mar-

velously the old books stick together! All the striking at these chapters only driving them in deeper until they are clinched on the other side and the hammers of eternity. And the book is going to keep right on until the fires of the last day are kindled. Some of them will begin on one side and some on the other side of the old book. They will not find a bundle of loose manuscripts easily consumed by the fire. When the fires of the last day are kindled, some will burn on this side, from Genesis toward Revelation, and others will burn on this side, from Revelation toward Genesis, and in all their way they will not find a single chapter or a single verse out of place. That will be the first time we can afford to do without the Bible. What will be the use of the book of Genesis, descriptive of how the world was made, when the world is destroyed? What will be the use of the prophecies when they are all fulfilled? What will be the use of the evangelistic or Pauline description of Jesus Christ when we see him face to face. What will be the use of his photograph when we have met him in glory? What will be the use of the books of Revelation, standing, as you will, with your foot on the glassy sea and your hand on the ringing harp and your forehead chapleted with eternal coronation amid the amethystine and twelve gated glories of heaven? The emerald dashing its green against the beryl and the beryl dashing its blue against the sapphire and the sapphire throwing its light on the jacinth and the jacinth dashing its fire against the chrysolite and you and I standing in the chorus of 10,000 sunsets.

But I do not think we will give up the Bible even at that time. I think we will want the Bible in heaven. I really think the fires of the last day will not consume the last copy, for when you and I get our dead children out of the dust we want to show them just the passages, just the promises, which comforted us here in the dark day of interment, and we will want to talk over with Christians who have had trials and struggles, and we will want to show them the promises that especially refreshed us. I think we shall have the Bible in heaven.

Oh, I want to hear David with his own voice read, "The Lord is my Shepherd." I want to hear Paul with his own voice read, "Thanks be unto God that giveth us the victory." I want to hear the archangel play Paul's march of the resurrection with the same trumpet with which he awoke the dead. O blessed book, good enough for earth, good enough for heaven. Dear old book—book bespattered with the blood of martyrs who died for its defense—book sprinkled all over with the tears of those who by it were comforted. Put it in the hand of your children on their birthday. Put it on the table in the sitting room when you begin to keep house. Put it under your head when you die. Dear old book! I press it to my heart, I press it to my lips.

"Where shall I go?" said a dying Hindoo to the Brahmitic priest to whom he had given money to pray for his salvation. "Where shall I go after I die?" The Brahmitic priest said, "You will first of all go into a holy quadruped." "But," said the dying Hindoo, "where shall I go then?" "Then you shall go into a singing bird." "But," said the dying Hindoo, "where then shall I go?" "Then," said the Brahmitic, "you will go into a beautiful flower." The dying Hindoo threw up his arms in an agony of solicitation as he said, "But where shall I go last of all?" Thank God, this Bible tells the Hindoo, tells you, tells me, not where I shall go today, not where I shall go tomorrow, not where I shall go next year, but where I shall go last of all!

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# LOST ON THE... VELDT

## A STORY OF THE BOER CAMPAIGN IN NATAL

By H. B. Mackenzie

### CHAPTER VIII.—(Continued.)

But they were hardly prepared for the sight that met their eyes. In the shelter of the kopje, her face turned towards it, lay a young girl, her print gown torn and stained, her face like that of the dead, her eyes closed, her hair falling in tangled masses about her face. She was frightfully pale, and at first they thought she was dead.

"Feel her heart, Preston," said Greene, in a whisper. "What an emaciated creature! Is she dead?"

"I don't think so," said the other. "Quick! give me some water, Greene!" The other obeyed, and Preston put some to the white, stiff lips. The liquid seemed to bring back a feeble flicker of life. Her eyelids half closed, then shut again.

"Quick! get her on my horse!" said Preston. "We must take her with us," said young Preston quickly. "We cannot leave her here to die, even if she dies in our hands. Help me, old fellow!"

The girl was a mere featherweight. Greene uttered an exclamation as he lifted her. They carried her to Preston's horse, and managed to hold her up in front of the saddle, Greene holding her while Preston mounted.

"It's all right," said the latter. "I think I can manage. Get into your own saddle and let us ride as quickly as we can and rejoin the men, Greene."

"I hope she won't die in our hands," said Greene, as he tumbled into his saddle.

The two speculated as to the extraordinary occurrence as they rode onwards. They were young, and had perhaps a touch of romance in their prosaic English hearts, and the lingering traces of beauty in the seemingly dead face had touched them more than they would have confessed.

"What's to be done with her when we get to camp? We have no place fit for a wounded girl, though our quarters may do for wounded men," said Greene.

"Perhaps we can get her sent to Ladysmith. She could be looked after there," the other answered, reflectively.

As they were nearing the camp, suddenly out of the darkness—it was coming down rapidly—two horses whirled toward them, a white man and a native.

"Halt! Who goes there?" said Preston, as the former galloped right in front of him. Then he added, with an exclamation: "Rothes, old chap, is it you? What on earth are you doing here? And you look ill! Are you ill?"

The other horseman's face was ghastly, and for a moment he seemed to stay in the saddle; but, recovering himself with a great effort, he pointed to the figure Preston was supporting with his one arm.

"What have you there?" he asked, hoarsely. "I have been for six days scouring the veldt between this and Harrismith, seeking for some one who has been lost upon it; and now I fear you have found something. For pity's sake let me see her face, Lieutenant Preston!"

Without a word the young man dismounted, still holding the inanimate figure securely; then, lifting her down, he laid her gently on the dry sand.

Adair Rothes, who had sprung from his saddle, bent over her. A sound that was almost like a wild cry came from his lips; but no one heard it but Arthur Preston.

"It is she!" he said in a moment, in a choked voice. "Thank God she is still living! You will give her into my charge, Lieutenant Preston?"

### CHAPTER IX.

There was a farmhouse not far from Newcastle, whose owner, a kindly Scotsman, Adair Rothes had known since he came out to Natal.

It was thither he carried Bluebell, not knowing whether she would live or die. The farmer, Mr. Dalziel, learning the facts of the case—he had already heard of the tragedy of New Kelo—insisted on sending his "spider" at once for Miss Elizabeth, notwithstanding the unsettled state of the country.

Bluebell was laid in a pretty white bed in the little bedroom, which opened, like many South African bedrooms, out into the garden; and there she lay for many hours like one dead, with hardly a pulse to respond to Rothes' touch. The tide of her life was very low; it could not be much lower.

When at last it began to rise again, to his alarm it was with a wildly disordered pulse. She was in a high fever, and raved deliriously and without cessation.

How much the man watching her with agonized eyes and racking heart was to learn of all the poor child had come through!

"Water, water!" she would moan. "Not a drop! O God, let me die soon! Don't let me endure this maddening thirst longer! Hark! that was a lion's roar! Oh, I hope it was! Better to die at once! And they say one doesn't leap pain. It is like a mouse in a cat's claws! Oh, anything—anything better than this awful burning thirst! My throat, it's like a red-hot coal!" Then she would imagine herself in Moore's power.

"No, no! I shall die before I marry you—die a thousand times rather! O God, is there no help for me? Help me, merciful, kind God!" Then her voice sank to a whisper. "If Adair were here—ah, he would help me! He is good and brave. But he will never know that I loved him." The voice trembled a little, and then silence—blessed silence—came.

And Adair Rothes, with trembling hands, and eyes full of passionate, longing tenderness, bent over the unconscious girl with an agonized prayer.

"Merciful God, spare her to me, if it be Thy will! My darling—my own darling! And she cried to me in her extremity, and I did not know of it! Bluebell, Bluebell!"

Miss Elizabeth arrived in the spider twenty-four hours after, and could only wring Rothes' hand in silence, her thin, sallown, unlovely face working convulsively.

"God will spare her, Miss Elizabeth," Rothes said huskily. "We both owe a debt we can never repay to the young fellow who found her, for you know it was not I who did so. We might never have seen her again but for Lieutenant Preston."

Rothes knew his duty lay in Lady-smith, yet he could not tear himself from Bluebell's side until he knew whether it was to be life or death. Whether the delirium did not last long, and on the third day, after a long sleep, she opened her eyes, that had full reason in them, upon her aunt.

"Auntie, where am I? she asked feebly. Oh, what a fearful dream I have had!"

When Miss Elizabeth ran for Rothes the strong man felt himself trembling like a child. He returned with her quickly, but he could not speak when Bluebell's eyes rose to his.

"I have had such a fearful dream, Dr. Rothes," she whispered, her eyes appealing with dumb paths to his trustful ones. "I am afraid it was a reality, though. Is my father dead? Did Mr. Moore carry me away? And was I dying in the veldt?"

"It is all true"—holding the poor little weak hand in his own strong one—"but, God be thanked, you are safe now—safe and in good keeping. All you have to do is to get well."

"Did you find me?" she whispered. And he felt the little hand quiver.

He had determined not to speak, but the question upset all his determinations. He sank on his knees, holding the little hand to his lips.

"I was seeking for you six days, Bluebell; but after all it was a young officer who found you and gave you to my keeping. Oh, Bluebell, my heart is torn to two when I think of all you have gone through and I unable to help you—not knowing at first you wanted help—I, who would give my life to save you pain! My darling! my own darling!"

A little wave of color spread over her white face; her throat fluttered.

"You—love me, then?" she whispered.

"I have loved you ever since I first met you at Maritzburg, Bluebell; but I never dared to hope. Bluebell, it seems wrong to speak of it at this terrible time; but you do care a little, after all about me—do you?"

"The little, wasted hand stroked his cheek.

"I love you with all my heart, Adair. I knew it that awful night when the Boers—she paused, shuddering. "You'll take care of me, and not let that dreadful man come near me?"

He folded the hand to his breast, and, bending, kissed again and again the pale little face, cheeks, and eyes and lips.

Rothes went back to Ladysmith next day. The battle of Blandslaagte had taken place, and the hospital in the little town was full.

Mr. and Mrs. Dalziel were kindness itself, and insisted on the Leslies staying as long as ever they felt inclined.

On the first day on which Bluebell was able to get up Adair Rothes appeared. It was two days after the battle of Ladysmith, of which word had been brought to the Dalzels.

Bluebell welcomed him with a blush and a smile that made Rothes' heart throb. But there was something in his face which made Bluebell's heart fret with mingled fear and anxiety.

tered a strange sound, the gun dropped from his hand, and he fell back on the grassy knoll. When I reached him he was dead!"

With a little cry Bluebell folded her arms about her lover's neck.

"Oh, Adair, thank God! thank God, you were saved!"

For a few minutes Rothes did not speak. His strong mouth quivered a little. At last he said:

"Now comes the strange news I have for you, Bluebell. Papers were found upon Gerald Moore, and the officer into whose hands they fell—the general, Bluebell—sent for me. He knows me personally, and knows what you are to me. Those papers affect you and you only."

"Adair, what can you mean?" she asked, in startled surprise.

Adair took her hand in his, and held it for a moment without speaking.

"A barrier has risen up between you and me, Bluebell—a barrier such as I never dreamt of. I am a poor man—you are an heiress."

She uttered an incredulous exclamation.

"It is true, Bluebell. Now we have the real reason of Moore's determination to marry you. He had seen an advertisement in an English paper, gone home, learned everything, and came here with his mind firmly made up as to his own course. As you know, your father always declared he had been done out of Tinlaverstock. His cousin has had it in his possession for fifteen years. Maurice Leslie had three sons. Your father never hoped to come into the property; but, by a strange fatality, these sons have all died since. Maurice Leslie, on whose mind it always preyed that he had cheated your father out of his inheritance, has made you his heiress. You—not your father."

"Oh, Adair!" The girl clung to him, her arms clasped round his neck. "I do not wish to be an heiress. I am happier as I am."

"It seems," said Rothes, "that your father's cousin died a few months ago. The lawyers are now searching for you. You must write to them, Bluebell. And I have been thinking, dear, you and Miss Elizabeth are safer out of the country just now. We must get you to Durban, thence to Scotland."

She uttered a little cry, her face deathly white.

"Adair! You wish to get rid of me, then? Oh, and I thought—I thought—you loved me!"

He clasped her close, covering the sweet face with passionate kisses.

"My own darling! But, Bluebell, do you think I am so selfish as to wish to keep you here during this dark time that is coming upon us, when you might be living in luxury and safety at home?"

"And you in danger, doing your duty here?" she sobbed. "Adair, are you to have all the unselfishness and I none? No, dear, I shall not go. I have made up my mind."

They were married. The bride's father had been but a month in his lonely grave, and they were themselves in the midst of that dark tragedy which had not then ended. But human love, next to divine, can lighten the darkest sorrows and the most terrible surroundings.

"You are not afraid," he said, as, having bade farewell to the weeping Miss Elizabeth, who had agreed to go meantime to Maritzburg, he led his wife into the pretty little house that was beginning to look desolate and deserted in the forsaken town.

She raised her sweet face to his. Her eyes were full of tears, but they had a smile in their depths.

"I am sad at parting with poor auntie," she whispered. "But I am glad, so glad, to be beside you, Adair, and I am not afraid with you, dear. Why should I be. We are together, and God is all over, and He can take care of us in the future as He has in the past." (The end.)

**Men's Shortcomings.**  
A current monthly puts the blame of men's faults on women. It says: "Women make society; they are accountable largely for the faults of the male portion of it, at least for the growth and extent of fault. If men fall short it is because women have not demanded higher standards. And if the woman who works is not treated with the same courtesy as she whose delicately gloved hand holds her own bank book, it is the fault of that same dainty hand, which is not held out in kind comradeship to one that wields pencil or scissors. Men get their cue from woman's treatment of women. But men are rarely unkind; theirs is rather the absence of kindness; and of the two, the latter were preferable."

**Severe Sealed Instructions.**  
There is a certain lawyer who in his youthful days liked to play hokey occasionally. Once being required to bring a written excuse he applied to a classmate to help him out. So his friend wrote: "Dear Mrs. G.: Please give Sam a whipping, and oblige his mother," and sealed it. Sam handed it in, perfectly satisfied; but imagine his consternation when the teacher proceeded to carry out instruction. All importunities were of no avail. Sam caught a whipping and learned not to play hokey again.

**Worked Hard for It.**  
"You seem to have quite a sum in your bank, Bobby," remarked the visitor. "Yes," said Bobby; "ma gives me 10 cents a week for coming to the table with clean hands and face."  
"Ten cents is a good deal of money for a little boy to earn every week."  
"Yes, ma'am, but I have to do a large amount of work for it."

### CHEAP RATES TO COLORADO.

Special excursion tickets to Colorado and Utah will be on sale via all lines from Chicago, St. Louis and points east of the Missouri river, June 20, July 9, 17 and August 1, and from Missouri river points and points in Kansas and Nebraska, June 21, July 7, 8, 9, 10 and 18 and August 2, at a rate of one fare plus \$2, for the round trip. To enable tourists and pleasure seekers who take advantage of these special excursions to visit the many points of interest in the Rocky Mountain region, the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad, "The Scenic Line of the World" will make very low rates for the round trip from Denver, Colorado Springs and Pueblo to all principal resorts and scenic points of interest in Colorado and to Salt Lake City and Ogden, Utah.

**A TRIP "AROUND THE CIRCLE."**  
The Denver and Rio Grande Railroad, with its numerous branches penetrating the great state of Colorado, has some 37 different "Circle" tours through the mountains, one of which in particular is the famous 1,000 mile tour, passing the following points of interest: La Veta, Poncha Pass, Toltec Gorge, Durango-Dolores Canon, Rico, Lizard Head Pass or Las Animas Canon, Silverton, Ouray-Cimarron Canon, Black Canon, Marshall Pass and the Royal Gorge. This trip can be comfortably made in four days, but at least ten days ought to be devoted to it so as one may leisurely inspect the principal sights and occasionally gain rest from fatigue incident to railroad travel.

**ANOTHER NOTED TRIP.**  
Is the trip from Denver to Grand Junction and return going via the narrow gauge line climbing Marshall Pass and winding through the Black Canon of the Gunnison, returning over the broad gauge through Glenwood Springs and the Grand River Canon, over Tennessee Pass, through Leadville and the Royal Gorge. This trip is most conveniently made by leaving Denver, Colorado Springs or Pueblo on the night train which arrives at Salida the next morning for breakfast, continuing from there over Marshall Pass and arriving at Grand Junction in the afternoon. Here close connections are made with trains for Glenwood Springs, "The Kissinger of America," arriving there in the evening; and from this point travelers should at least remain over night. When leaving Glenwood Springs it is most desirable to take a morning train, as this completes the arrangement to pass all of the scenery on the trip by daylight.

**A TRIP TO SALT LAKE CITY.**  
Tickets reading to Salt Lake City via the "Scenic Line" in connection with the Rio Grande Western Ry., are available over the Denver and Rio Grande, either via its main line through Leadville and Glenwood Springs, or via the line over Marshall Pass and through the Black Canon, thus enabling the traveler to use one of the above routes going and the other returning. For free illustrated pamphlets descriptive of Colorado's natural advantages, and information regarding rates and routes, call on your nearest Ticket Agent, or address S. K. Hooper, G. P. & T. A., Denver, Colo.

**Doing It Well.**  
Half-heartedness never wins in this world. If a thing is not worth doing, do not do it, is a good rule. The late Robert Louis Stevenson was always an enthusiast in whatever he undertook, even when at play. His stepdaughter, Mrs. Isabel Strong, who was for a time his amanuensis, says that Stevenson used to maintain that no one could write a good story who was not a good player—who could not enter fully into the spirit of the game. He himself threw all his energies into whatever he might be playing. At one time he was visiting a house where a small boy was "playing boat" on the sofa. When the lad got tired he did not wait for the ship to come to port, but got down from the sofa and walked toward the door. Stevenson, who was watching him eagerly, cried out to him, in apparent alarm, "Oh, don't do that! Swim at least!"

**Unhealthy Illuminants.**  
An interesting calculation has recently been made by an English statistician, in which he shows that when the electric light has entirely displaced gas, all lamps and candles in the United Kingdom, there will be 40,000 less deaths annually, these illuminants being so much more unhealthy than electricity.

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## THE REPORT OF A MAN OF EXPERIENCE.

### What He Found in Western Canada to Induce Him to Settle There.

Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., Feb. 20th, 1900. To Whom it May Concern.—Especially to those who are desirous of obtaining health and wealth for themselves and families, I wish to state a few facts in regard to the Canadian North-west, where I went, leaving Sault Ste. Marie on May 2nd, 1899, for the purpose of seeking a better home for my family in the future. I got a special rate ticket for Ft. McLeod, Alberta. Through Manitoba and part of Assinibola the farmers were busy employed ploughing and seeding. I found the farmers very kind and friendly, willing to talk and assist in giving me the particulars of the country. At McLeod I spent a few days looking over some ranchers' stock, which I was surprised to see looking so well; they were in better condition than any stock I ever saw in Michigan, even those that had been stabled, and most of these had never seen the inside of a shed or received any feed from the hands of man. But as I was also looking for mixed farm land I found McLeod no place for me, it is only fit for ranching purposes.

Retracing my way back to Winnipeg, I stopped off at Lethbridge, where I found some of the greatest horse ranches I ever had the pleasure of looking at. It is a fine level country, and lots of water and good grazing. At Medicine Hat, which is located in a valley, there were lots of sheep, cattle and horses in the surrounding country and all looking well.

On July 14th I went to Regina, there I began to see mixed farming lands in abundance, and the crops looking remarkably well, and as long as daylight lasted I saw the same all along the line and on the 15th day of July I arrived in Winnipeg, just in time for the exhibition. There I met with one of the most beautiful pictures of the world's records, for as soon as I entered the grounds my eyes met with all kinds of machinery, all in motion, and the cattle, grain and produce of the country was far beyond my expectation, in fact it was beyond any industrial exhibition or agricultural fair I ever visited and I have seen a good many.

From Regina to Prince Albert, a distance of 250 miles, it is all good for mixed farming, and well settled, with some thriving little towns. In some places the grain, just coming into head, would take a man to the waist, and the wild fruit along the line was good, rich and in great quantities. From Saskatoon on the south branch of the Saskatchewan river, to Prince Albert on the north branch of the same river, is one of the best farming districts without any doubt that ever laid face to the sun, and everything to be found there, that is necessary to make life comfortable, all that is required is labor. There is lots of wood, good

water, and abundant hay land, and the climate is excellent.

Prince Albert is a flourishing little place, situated on the north Saskatchewan river, having a population of about 1,800, with good street and sidewalks and churches of nearly every denomination, three school houses, and another one to be built at once, also a brewery and a creamery. Here I stayed for about four months, working at my trade of bricklaying, and met with farmers and ranchers with whom I made it my special business to talk in regard to the prospects. I also visited several farmers for some distance out in the country while crops were in full bloom, and I may say that I never saw better crops in all my travels than I saw along the valley towards Stoney Creek and Carrot River. In the market garden there is given currants, both red and black, and as fine a sample of roots and vegetables as ever went on a market. The soil in and around this district cannot be beaten for anything you may wish to grow, and besides the season is long, giving time for everything to mature. The cattle were looking as good as I saw anywhere, good pasture and hay land, and plenty of water wherever you go. The country is dotted all around like islands with timber fit for fuel and building purposes and within a day's walk of lumbering woods, where lumbering and the making is carried on in winter. Both large and small game is plentiful. There are two good saw mills in this district, with a good supply of all grades of lumber all the year round and also two good brickyards with an excellent quality of brick. There is no scarcity of building material and at a reasonable price. Clothing and living are no higher than I find in Michigan, and furthermore I wish to say that there is a great demand for laboring men all the year round and good wages ranging from \$1.75 to \$2.00 per day, and from \$25.00 to \$35.00 per month with board.

I wish to say that I am perfectly satisfied with the country and I intend to return to Prince Albert early in the spring of 1900. Any reasonable man can go there and in from five to ten years make a good and comfortable home for himself and family, and if any person into whose hand this letter should fall, desires more information, please write to me and I will freely give them my best opinion. I am writing this for the benefit of those who may want to make a better home for themselves and families or friends.

Trusting that this statement may be useful to you in the publication of your next pamphlet and be the means of guiding at least some of those who are in search of a home, I remain

Your humble servant,  
(Signed) WILLIAM PAYNE.

The above letter was written to Mr. J. Griere, Canadian Government Agent at Saginaw, Michigan. Information as to lands, etc., can be had from him or Mr. M. V. McInnes, No. 2 Merrill Block, Detroit, Michigan.

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ROY ALLEN, Rec. Sec. T. SCHENCK, C. R.

**I. O. O. F.**  
CLASS CITY LODGE, No. 203, meets every Wednesday evening at 7:30. Visiting brethren cordially invited.  
T. H. FRITZ, N. G. M. L. MOORE, Secretary.

**K. O. T. M.**  
CLASS 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. School at 12 m. Prayer meeting on Thursday evening.  
Rev. E. Rushbrock, 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. S. C. E. at 6:30 p. m. Junior League at 8:00 p. m. English services every Sunday evening. All are invited.  
Rev. F. Klump, Pastor.

**METHODIST EPISCOPAL**—Preaching services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday. Class meetings follow morning services. Sunday school at 12 m. Junior League at 8:00 p. m. Epworth League at 8:00 p. m. Prayer meeting at 7:30 on Thursday evening.  
Rev. C. H. Morgan, Pastor.

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# Correspondence.

Gathered by our Corps of Correspondents in this and adjoining Counties.

## BEFORE.

Ben Sharp has a new horse.  
Miss Goldie Cook rides a new wheel.  
Jako Hilderbrand has a very sick cow.

Robert Vances stone cellar is nearly completed.  
W. McCain and family Sundayed at H. Lesters.

Farmers are very busy with their cultivating at present.  
Leonard Patch and family spent Sunday at Wm. Patch's.

Edward and Lewis Patch wheeled to Kingston on Sunday last.  
Samuel Shirk's new house is now being pushed rapidly along.

Mrs. Theron Spencer who has been very low for some time is recovering.  
A fishing party left here on the 20th for a few days fishing at Quanaacosta.

Miss Rachel Youngs, of East Novesta, spent Sunday with Miss Dessie Patch.  
An entertainment at the Crawford school house on the evening of the 22nd.

David Moshier and family, of Wilmot, called on Town Line friends last week.  
Mr. and Mrs. E. Slach, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Ashcroft spent Sunday at John Nyes.

The commencement exercises of the school was held at Jesse Coopers on the evening of the 26th.  
The dance given at Geo. O'Rourke's on the evening of the 22nd was largely attended and a good time reported.

Mrs. Jane Truesdell, of Troy, Oakland Co., who has been visiting east of here for the past week returned home on Saturday.

Unless food is digested quickly it will ferment and irritate the stomach. After each meal take a teaspoonful of Kodol Dyspepsia Cure. It digests what you eat and will allow you to eat all you need of what you like. It never fails to cure the worst case of dyspepsia. It is pleasant to take. Bond's drug store.

Last fall I sprained my left hip while handling some heavy boxes. The doctor I called on first said it was a slight strain and would soon be well, but it grew worse and the doctor then said I had rheumatism. It continued to grow worse and I could hardly get around to work. I went to a drugstore and the druggist recommended me to try Chamberlain's Pain Balm. I tried it and one-half of a 50 cent bottle cured me entirely. I now recommend it to all my friends. F. A. Babcock, Erie, Pa. It is for sale at Bond's drug store.

**RESOLVE**  
Crops on the high land are suffering for want of rain.  
Haying will soon be in order and an abundant crop is the general run.  
The Grangers failed to organize last week but they will try it again in the near future.

If the English army wants a six months supply of beans they only need to come up this way inside of a two mile circle it would be easy to find over two hundred acres of the fruit.  
For once we have a gem of a pathmaster. This year the mile south of Rescue was stumped and made straight and we feel as if we were out of the woods and are no longer afraid of wrecking a rig if the night happens to be dark.

**Elmwood.**  
Miss Cordelia Cross is quite ill.  
Mr. and Mrs. John Chapel have a young son.  
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—Gagetown Times.

## Karr's Corners.

Haying has begun in this vicinity.  
Dave Brown is very ill with typhoid fever.

Mr. Miles Tanner, of Bay Port, visited at David Gray's on Sunday.  
Geo. Karr visited his brother Ed. on the Belknap farm on Wednesday.

The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Archie Karr is very ill with cholera infantum.  
Rev. Chas. Maxfield, of Kalamazoo, visited his parents a few days last week returning Friday.

Rev. Alex. Stirton, of Peck, occupied the pulpit at Bethel on Sunday and rendered a very good sermon.  
Miss Addie Karr who recently returned from California visited her brothers, Geo. and Geo., of this place.

Mr. H. Z. Wilber, principal of the Millington High School, visited his brother, Bert Wilber, on Wednesday.  
Miss Maude Bellaw, of Smith Creek, who has been visiting her uncle Mr. Warren Tuttle, returned home on Sunday.

Mr. Joe Freeman and Luke Welsh and Miss Maggie Freeman and Lizzie Keller, of Brookfield, were guests of Mayne O'Brien Sunday.

A party was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Randall on Wednesday evening it being the birthday of their daughter, Nellie. Quite a number were present and a dance was given.

While Mr. Stirton and his father were turning the corner at Bethel their horse came in contact with Wesley Wolverin's wheel and entangled the horses foot in such a way as to make it necessary for them to get a pair of pinchers to loose the animal's foot. There was no special damage done to person or horse but the wheel was much damaged.

**Glorious News**  
Comes from Dr. D. B. Cargile, of Washita, I. T. He writes: "Four bottles of Electric Bitters has cured Mrs. Brewer of scrofula, which has caused her great suffering. Terrible sores would break out on her head and face, and the best doctors could give no help; but her cure is complete and her health is excellent." This shows what thousands have proved,—that Electric Bitters is the best blood purifier known. It's the supreme remedy for eczema, tetter, salt rheum, ulcers, boils and running sores. It stimulates liver, kidneys and bowels, expels poison, helps digestion and builds up the strength. Only 50 cents. Sold by T. H. Fritz, Druggist. Guaranteed.

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I awoke last night with severe pains in my stomach. I never felt so badly in all my life. When I came down to work this morning I felt so weak I could hardly work. I went to Miller & Merrill's drugstore and they recommended Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. It worked like magic and one dose fixed me all right. It certainly is the finest thing I ever used for stomach trouble. I shall not be without it in my house hereafter, for I should not care to endure the sufferings of last night again for fifty times its price.—G. H. Wilson, Livertyman, Burgettstown, Washington Co., Pa. This remedy is for sale at Bond's drug store.

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## Pingree

Jim Whale raised a barn on Tuesday.  
Vincent Wells is at Kingston working at carpenter work.

Robt McInnes is hauling his lumber to Cass City this week.  
Mrs. Robt McInne called on Mrs. Robt Agar on Tuesday.

Miss Eva Caswell, of Ann Arbor, is visiting at her home here.  
John Mudge and family were the guests of John Fox on Sunday.

John W. Blades had a bee on Monday, hauling lumber for a barn.  
Mrs. Summers, from Huron Co., is visiting her daughter, Mrs. John Fox.

Miss Ethel Breckenber has gone to Huron Co. to visit with her grandmother.  
Misses Dollie and Winnie McTavish called on Misses Mary and Belle Mark Tuesday.

Miss Annie Chambers has gone to stay for a while at Shabbona with Mrs. Truesdell, during the Dr's absence.  
Miss Etta Mark returned home Saturday evening, after attending the high school for some time at Sanilac Centre also teachers examination at Crosswell.

Joe Caswell had the misfortune of getting a couple of fingers smashed at Mr. Young's barn raising. Dr. Foote the attendant, was obliged to put in several stitches.

**Ladies, Why Don't You?**  
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Tetter, Eczema and Skin Diseases yield quickly to the marvelous healing qualities of Banner Salve made from a prescription of a skin specialist of world wide fame. 25c. T. H. Fritz, Cass City; F. A. Francis, Kingston.

**East Novesta.**  
Morley Palmateer, of Shabbona, visited here on Monday.  
Burt Curtiss, of Deford, is the new hired man at K. Brown's.

H. H. Wilson and family, of Deford, visited at L. H. Palmateer's on Sunday.  
Tom Colwell has rented the McIngh house of Mrs. Dewey and is nicely settled.

Word was received here of the death of Blanch Edith, little daughter, of Elmer and Lucy Atwell, formerly of this place, but now of Norfolk, Va., which occurred on June 5th. The sorrowing parents have the sympathy of all in their sad bereavement.

Census enumerator, R. Brown, has been over the township of Novesta and counted the babies, shook hands with the dogs, kissed the cats and found out the ages of many of the fair sex and will now return home and interview the "Pater" bug for the next few weeks.

**It is Strange**  
that some people who say they never read patent medicine advertisements will be found lugging home every now and then a bottle of some favorite remedy of theirs. We don't bother you with much reading, but just ask you to try a 10c trial bottle of Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, for constipation, indigestion and stomach troubles. 50c and \$1.00 sizes, at Bond's Drug Store, Cass City; F. A. Francis, Kingston.

We don't know whether Caro needs a third newspaper or not, but she is going to get it as sure as hallelujah and high water, and now we're betting you that there will be a journalistic funeral in the sugar beet town some day, and that the corpse won't be a Steam, either.—North Branch Gazette.

**Nursing Mothers**  
dread hot weather. They know how it weakens and how this affects the baby. All such mothers need Scott's Emulsion. It gives them strength and makes the baby's food richer and more abundant.  
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## FOR LITTLE FOLKS.

### THE MIDGET JOCKEY.

He Will Educate Himself With the Money He Earns.

Johnny Reiff, the peer of the midget jockeys of the world, has set a new standard for the boys who ride the bangballs. Little Johnny, who has made a larger fortune before he is 15 years of age than many men accumulate in a lifetime, is going to educate himself. He wants to be not only a smart jockey, but a smart man, and in this shows a disposition which does not characterize the great majority of boys who make money by riding.

Johnny has been riding on the English tracks for the firm of Duke & Wishard at a stipulated salary of \$15,000 a year. His success during the season was so remarkable that he

achieved great popularity and became as conspicuous in England as "Toll" Sloane did when he first entered upon his career across the water. Attention from royalty did not turn the little lad's head, and he entered an English school. With a chance of returning to America and making plenty of money on the winter tracks, he has done more than other jockeys in preferring to cultivate his mind. When he left his home in Wichita, Kan., two years ago, rather against his own wishes and without having had the advantages of more than a few winters in the public school, he was as ignorant of the ways and tricks of jockeys as he was lacking in education. He went because his brother, Lester Reiff, who had already won fame and fortune on the race track, wanted him to make the same attempt. Being a born jockey, he soon became the equal of his brother. He weighs 65 pounds.

**The Ice Cream Volcano.**  
A wonderful funnyland sight is a mountain of marvelous height, But you never could guess What happens under. You were there upon Saturday night.

When the sun in the west is aglow, The whole mountain rumbles, and, lo! It pours out a stream Of assorted ice cream From the banks where the macaroons grow.

Then from city and country and town The children flock to the crown All run with their spoons, And they pick macaroons, And they eat till they have to lie down.

But the thing that the children adore Is a mountain that stands by the shore, With a crater top, Where molasses keeps hot, With trickles of taffy galore.

Sometimes it rains popcorn at night, And all of the kernels that light On the mountain top pop, And they hop, and they drop, Till the top of the mountain is white, And corn balls roll down To the edge of the town.

While the children dance round with delight, —A. W. Smith in Ladies' Home Journal.

**Are You With us?**  
Do you feel just finer than anybody all the time? If you take Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin you may feel good the year round. It is guaranteed to cure constipation, indigestion and all stomach and bowel troubles. \$1.50 or the size. Bond, Cass City; F. A. Francis, Kingston, will tell you all about it.

There's no beauty in all the land, That can with her face compare. Her lips are red, her eyes are bright, She takes Rocky Mountain Tea at night. Ask your druggist.

Last night burglars broke into the back door of H. H. Dignand's jewelry store and drilled the safe with tools stolen from V. F. Titworth's blacksmith shop and blew the safe open with nitro glycerine helping themselves to the entire contents amounting in all to about \$150 worth of jewelry. Several suspects were seen around town yesterday but as yet they have no clue to the robbers.

This is the second time within a year that Mr. McDonold has lost his entire stock in this way. Sheriff Blinn is here and no doubt before long the burglars will be in the hands of the law. In past years there has been about a dozen safes cracked in this town but as yet not one of the burglars has ever been caught.—Millington Gazette.

## EVERYBODY KNOWS

that tea loses strength and flavor when exposed to the air. It collects dust, dirt and impurities, and the tender leaves are crushed in handling. The sealed package is cheaper, because it protects the tea and preserves its strength and flavor.

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Money loaned on Real Estate.  
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**C. W. MCKENZIE,**  
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## Kodol Dyspepsia Cure

Digests what you eat.<

# Binder Twine.

Harvesting will soon be here, we are ready for it with a carload of Binder Twine that we will sell at right price.

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### White Lily Flour

Makes Bread that is lightest, Rolls that are daintiest, Cake the Choicest, Pies that would Please a Dyspeptic, and pastry that melts in your mouth—All out of the same barrel. A thorough test will convince you. Made only at

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C. W. HELLER, Prop

My Stock of....

## GENERAL MERCHANDISE

For 1900 year business is now complete. Below I enumerate some desirable values.

### Dry Goods Dept.

Increase all wool Carpets..... 40 to 60c per yard  
 Ingrain Cotton Carpet..... 25 to 30c  
 Heavy Carpet..... 20 to 30c  
 Velvet Exhibition and Tapestry Brussels at remarkably low prices.  
 Carpet Trimmings..... \$1.00 to \$1.25 roll  
 Oil Cloth Patterns, Oil Cloth and Oil Cloth Linoleum at low prices.

### New Spring Styles

In coats, Caps, Wrappers, Skirts and Ladies' Underwear.  
 My prices on Wrappers..... 75c to \$1.00  
 Skirts..... \$1.00 to \$3.00

### Shoe Department.

I have the celebrated Julia Marlowe Shoe, it fits the foot when all others fail.  
 Men's Seamless Shoes..... 25 to 30c  
 Men's Plow Shoes..... 1.00 to 2.00  
 Men's Rubber Boots with leather linings. They sell at sight.

### Stove Department.

I have a few cast Cooking Stoves at the old price. Get them at once while they last.

I am selling the Best Steel Range. Price \$20 to \$50. No better value in the country. It has fire box, in right hand end of stove and a movable oven bottom. Two features that other steel ranges do not have. Two second hand cook stoves for sale.

### Hardware Dept.

Barb Wire, Smooth Wire, Woven Wire Fence, Poultry Netting, Ball Bearing Wringers, Aspin Wall Clamps, a new article; cream Separators. Anti Rust Thieves and other articles too numerous to mention.

### Paint Department.

Prepared house paints, Davis' Varnish Stains, Excelsior Roof Paint, Paint for your Drags. Wall finish all colors.

### Mill Supply Dept.

All kinds of brass fittings, Asbestos and Soapstone Packings, Brass Injectors, Hose and Belting, Cylinder Oils, Etc.  
 Sash and Door Department complete. I'm headquarters for Pumps, Pipe, Points and Windmills.  
 Butter and Eggs wanted.

## J. L. HITCHCOCK.

Three tory Brick.

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Contracting and Building given prompt attention. Cass City, Mich.

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at low prices. Do not fail to see them before you buy elsewhere.

### Horseshoeing a Special Feature.

All kinds of repair work given prompt attention. Give us your work and your orders for new goods.

H. S. WICKWARE.

### CEDAR RUN.

Mrs. R. Webster is on the sick list at present.

John Crane's have relatives visiting them at present.

Land Eastman called at L. H. Huffman's on Sunday.

Mrs. Chas. Hammond has a niece visiting her at present.

John Crane's, of Elkland, were visiting relatives here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Kenyon, of Ellington, spent Sunday with I. Waidley's.

Quite a number from Ellington attended the quarterly service at the school house on Sunday.

Rev. C. H. Morgan, of Cass City, assisted in the services here on Sunday, preaching a very interesting sermon. John Hayes Jr. was received into full membership with the church at the same time.

The many friends of Mark Shea here, will be pained to hear of his death due to an accident in Detroit where he was employed as motorman on the street railway. We did not have the particulars of the accident.

Nearly every one is trying to sell "coupons" nowadays. The first few are happy having received a good lot of implements for a little work. We are not prepared to say how the ending will be for the last ones to try it.

Extraordinary occurrence! For the first time since getting an organ a chosen few were invited to the school house to practice singing. It seems hardly necessary as they have been using such up-to-date hymns as our mothers and grandmothers used to sing forty and fifty years ago; still we are glad to see them progressive enough to meet once in a year or two.

### A Monster Devil Fish

Destroying its victim, is a type of Constipation. The power of this malady is felt on organs, nerves, muscles and brain. But Dr. King's New Life Pills are a safe and certain cure. Best in the world for Stomach, Liver, Kidneys and Bowels. Only 25c at Fritz's drugstore.

### 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 trouble. 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. "Boesebe'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 F. H. Fritz's.

### Ellington.

Mrs. Frank Gould is much better at this writing.

Samuel Elliott commenced cutting hay last week.

Willie Fisher was in Caro on business last Saturday.

Frank Edwell went to Gageton on business last Friday.

Chas. Alexander has been granted an increase of pension.

Norman Emmons has about five acres of nice sugar beets.

Will Fisher went to Gageton on business on Monday last.

W. S. Wilber and son, Jerome, were callers in Gageton last Friday.

Miss Myra French was taken home to her father's on Sunday for a week's visit.

J. H. Moshier has been afflicted with neuralgia of the heart and head for the past two weeks.

Frank Gould bought himself a buggy also a wagon for Geo. Turner, while at Gageton last Saturday.

Starvation never yet cured dyspepsia. Persons with indigestion are already half starved. They need plenty of whole some food. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure digests what you eat so that the body can be nourished while the worn out organs are being re-constructed. It is the only preparation known that will instantly relieve and completely cure all stomach trouble. Try it if you are suffering from indigestion. It will certainly do you good. Bond's drugstore.

**The White Man's Burden** is usually indigestion, which means no appetite, sleeplessness, irritability, weariness of body and brain. Dr. Royal Ford's Dyspepticide, is a new and perfect cure. It aids digestion, tones and regulates the stomach. T. H. Fritz, Cass City; P. A. Francis, Kingston.

### Canboro.

Miss Myrtle Scott is again working for Mrs. Paul Priessman.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Webster visited at Elmwood Saturday and Sunday.

Chas. Kinde, of Beaverton, is visiting in this vicinity at the present time.

Mr. and Mrs. U. G. Parker visited at Ellington Saturday and Sunday.

Quite a number from here attended the camp meeting at Elkton last week.

Miss Lida Foreman left here with her uncle and aunt last Tuesday for York State.

Mr. Ambrose Scott had the misfortune to put his knee out of joint while working in a shingle mill.

The ice cream social that was held at Mr. C. D. Foreman's last Monday evening was a success. Proceeds \$1120.

### FREIBURGERS.

Warm and dry is the word.

Frank Kulich raised a large barn on Saturday last a free fight ended the program.

Mrs. Kenyon and daughter, of Thorp, Wisconsin, are visiting at Mrs. Kenyon's parental home.

Mrs. Welch and Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Coton, of Pontiac are the visiting relatives and friends here for the past two weeks.

J. K. Brown, of Hancock, U. P., is visiting with his mother, Mrs. Jos. Brown, of Cumber, and his sister, Mrs. A. C. Graham, of this place.

Going to the lake shore to fish is the order of the day among some of our farmer friends who take their families with them to spend the day.

The little two-year-old son of Chas. Ward, drank some carbolic acid died within eight hours after. They have the sympathy of their many friends.

All who suffer from piles will be glad to learn that DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve will give them instant and permanent relief. It will cure eczema and all skin diseases. Beware of counterfeits, Bond's Drug Store.

### A Preacher

of Waterloo, Ind., Rev. S. P. Klotz, writes: "I have been afflicted over 20 years with dyspepsia or sour stomach. Have tried different remedies without much benefit. A 10c bottle of Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin gave me great relief. Have taken nearly one large bottle and feel like a different person. For sale at Bond's Drug Store, Cass City; P. A. Francis, Kingston.

### FACTS ABOUT SARDINES.

The Greater Part of This Country's Consumption Now Packed Here.

Formerly the sardines consumed in this country were all imported from France. Now about three-quarters of the sardines eaten in the United States are put up here, the chief center of the sardine industry in the United States being the eastern coast of Maine, though some sardines are now put up on the coast of California. The packing of sardines in this country was begun about 1886.

Thousands of people now find employment in one part and another of the work in catching fish, in making cans and in canning and packing and marketing and so on.

Sardines are put up in greater variety than formerly, there being nowadays sardines packed in tomato sauce, sardines in mustard, spiced sardines and so on, but the great bulk of sardines, both imported and domestic, are still put up in oil. Sardines are put up also in a greater variety of packages than formerly, there being, for example, various sizes and shapes of oval tins, and some French sardines are imported in glass, but as the great bulk of all sardines are still put up in oil, so the great bulk of them are still put up in the familiar flat boxes, the great majority of these being of the sizes known as halves and quarters and far the greater number of these being in quarters. Sardines are packed 100 tins in a case, and the consumption of sardines in this country is roughly estimated at from 1,500,000 to 2,000,000 cases annually.

Like canned goods of every description, sardines are cheaper now than they formerly were, and American sardines are sold for less than the imported. American sardines are now exported from this country to the West Indies and to South America.—New York Sun.

Restores vim, vigor, mental and physical power, fills your body with warm, tingling life. That's what Rocky Mountain Tea does. 35c. Ask your druggist.

Thou hast strange notions for one so young a substitute to think that thou art the same as Rocky Mountain Tea, made by the Madison Medicine Co. 35c. Ask your druggist.

### CHOCOLATE FIENDS.

There Are Those Who Become Slaves to This Nerve Soothing Food.

"The manufacture of chocolate," said J. R. Anso of Brazil, "is a great industry. Of all the chocolate beans imported into the United States two-thirds go to one firm in Boston, and the other third is distributed among the other manufacturers. The chocolates sold are of various grades. The Caracas chocolate is supposed to be the best."

"If you take the various grades, technically known as the Caracas, the French, the German and so on, and take a piece of each and place them in a pan of water and allow them to dissolve, any expert will tell you which is the best chocolate. The better grades will leave no sediment. The others will. This is explained by the fact that in the cheaper grades the shell is ground up and used as a 'filler.' The lighter the chocolate the better the grade. The cheaper grades are dark owing to the ground up shell."

It is a queer thing about chocolate consumption. There are chocolate fiends, just as there are opium fiends, tobacco slaves and liquor slaves. I cannot tell you why it is, but if people begin to eat chocolate the habit grows upon them. I don't think any amount of chocolate hurts any person. Of course the cheaper grades of sugar in them, and sugar is to a certain extent injurious, but for the chocolate itself I don't think any one eats enough to hurt him materially. In contradistinction to the exhilaration of alcoholic drinks chocolate seems to be a soothing and restful food that in a way calms and soothes and satisfies them. It is queer, but it is the truth. The consumption of chocolate is increasing enormously in the United States.—New York Tribune.

### HUMAN SACRIFICES.

MODERN RELIGIOUS FANATICS WHO BELIEVE IN THEM.

Many Peculiar Sects in the Old World, Particularly in Russia, Whose Members Kill and Crucify That Salvation May Be Attained.

That human sacrifices have been made even in the nineteenth century, and by professing Christians, too, is brought out by The American Journal of Sociology in a striking article:

The Convulsionists, a sect existing in Paris about 1700, were wont to crucify members of their order, in emulation of the crucifixion of the Saviour, in the belief that the souls of the surviving members would be saved by the sacrifices of their fellows. In 1817 the "Paschellians," an Austrian sect, murdered a man, his wife and daughter under the delusion that the trio, who refused to go with the fanatics, were possessed of the devil. On the following day they crucified one of their own number, a girl of 19 years, who had suffered herself for the death, in imitation of the death of the Saviour, in order to save the souls of her fellow believers.

In 1823 the leader of a Pietistic circle in Switzerland, after having dispatched her sister, who gave her life as a means of saving the souls of her relatives, was crucified by her followers at her own command in order that she might die, rise again after three days and restore to life the sister she had slain. In 1805 two mothers, adherents of the "Holy Men," slew their sick children, believing them to be victims of demoniacal possession. In 1875 a Hungarian killer, belonging to the "Nazarenes," killed his son as an offering for his own sins after the fashion of Abraham. In 1870, in Irkutsk, Russia, one of the "Schismatics" convinced himself by prayer and fasting and much Scripture reading that to save his soul he must be crucified. Accordingly he attempted self crucifixion and succeeded so far as the circumstances of the case would permit.

In 1890, in the government of Perm, Russia, a peasant killed his child as an offering for sin and buried the body in an ant hill. Likewise, another peasant killed both his children in due Abraham-like form, and while the babies died under the father's knife the devout mother celebrated the service by reading aloud selected portions of the twenty-second chapter of Genesis. In 1854, in the government of Tambor, Russia, a peasant, convinced that to save his soul a man must have a sin to repent of, killed a neighbor with an ax in order to satisfy this highly imperative condition.

It is a part of the creed of the "Wanderers," a Russian sect, that anti-Christ rules in high places and that accordingly good men must have naught to do with governmental affairs of any sort. In conformity with this belief a man murdered in various ingenious ways 25 men, women and children, including his own wife and babies, in order to free them from the danger of losing their souls by suffering the contaminating contact of the government census taker. This occurred in 1897.

The "Deniers," another quite interesting Russian sect, believe that evil taints all earthly good and that the only escape is death. In 1825 60 of these men, strong in the faith, after having murdered their wives and children, permitted themselves to be put to death, one by one, by their leaders. The "Scourgers," who also form a widespread and influential sect in Russia, in obedience to the behests of their "saviors," are in the habit of indulging in human sacrifices, cannibalistic feasts, erotic dances and other low procedures as an extremely efficacious method of keeping the hand of evil from off their immortal souls. So the "Muckers" of Konigsberg and the celebrants of the black mass in Paris afford further examples of the use of a ritual of eroticism, coupled with a practice of the most abandoned and obscene behavior, to promote the eternal welfare of the soul.

Small in size and great in results are DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills that cleanse the liver and bowels. They do not grip. Bond's Drug Store.

### Bret Harte's Condensed Novels.

Years ago Bret Harte wrote a series of stories which he called "condensed novels"—humorous tales, in which he burlesqued the style, mannerisms and peculiarities of the author of the day.

Mr. Harte has just completed, for The Saturday Evening Post, a new series of these inimitably funny literary caricatures. The first of these "condensed novels"—The Jungle Folk—will appear in The Saturday Evening Post of June 30.

Ivy poisoning, poison wounds and all other accidental injuries may be quickly cured by using DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. Bond's Drug Store.

Advertise just as you eat—regularly and in reasonable quantity. You don't wait until you are starved before you eat but you go to your meals at a set time every day. One meal right after the other, year after year, makes you fat and keeps you well. Advertise just as the farmer plants corn—not a big sackful at one time, in one place and then stop, but a few grains at a time in regular order. In other words, advertise with business sense, just as you would do anything else. Keep at it week after week, month after month, thereby achieving success.



## Hurrah for the 4th of July

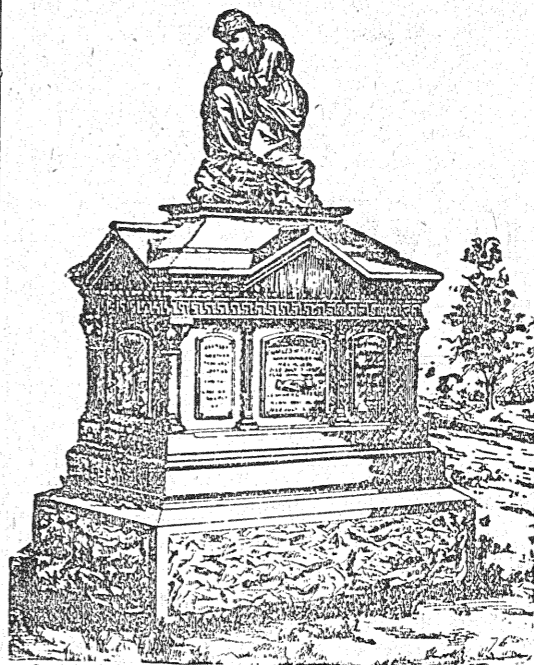
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Go to P. S. Rice's to see his low prices in Dry Goods, Groceries.

A full line of TEAS from 25c to 60c.  
 COFFEE from 10c to 30c a lb.

Fresh canned goods just arrived, call and see them. If you want a shirt waist look at our patterns of 3 yards each before buying. Butter, Eggs and Produce wanted. Goods delivered in town.

P. S. RICE.



## National Marble Works.

All Kinds of

## MONUMENTS AND HEADSTONES

Works Under Town Hall.

Marble and Iron Fencing

When in need of anything in our line secure our prices before ordering.

## HILL & PARENT.

Patronize

### Hunt's Grocery

for new fresh goods.

we have the

### Best 40c Tea in town.

We carry a complete line of the best canned and lunch goods. Get our prices on Crockery before buying elsewhere.

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## Now is The Time

To have your Eyes Tested and fitted with SPECTACLES as it will help you in doing your

## Spring's work and Housecleaning



I have a fine line of the latest designs in Belt Buckles at 20c and 25c each.

Pulley Buckles 50 and 75c

Call and examine my stock before buying.

Yours Truly,

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Whiffletrees,

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All good material at Reduced Prices.

Let us do your

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and Tire Setting.

GOOD WOOD GUARANTEED.

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## HURRAH FOR THE 4TH OF JULY

And hurrah for Fairweather Grocery where you can get

## FLAGS AND FIREWORKS

Of all kinds and sorts. FRUITS to no end. We a full supply of Lemons, Oranges, Melons, Appriots, Peaches, Candies and Nuts all by the quantity or by the penny's worth.

## FRESH CELERY.

Now in the market, Dried Fruits I have a few of those

Large Peaches 3 lbs for.....25c

Evaporated Apples 3 lbs for.....25c

Prunes, Apricots, Currants and Raisins, all sizes and prices.

Leave your order for Groceries, Oil and Gasoline and have them delivered in town.

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# LAW CONSTITUTIONAL

## SAYS THE JUDGE IN REFERENCE TO NEW STATE TAX LAW.

The Act Which Gives the New State Tax Commission Authority to Revise Assessment Rolls Where in Their Judgment it is Needed is Held to be O. K.

On Tuesday, July 10, there will be a meeting of Village Presidents and one delegate from each village of Michigan at the Griswold house, Detroit, for the purpose, as stated in the call of Secretary Marvin:

"On account of questions arising in regard to important village matters and in order to exchange pointers on various lines, to the end that our constituents may be better served, as each of us have undoubtedly had experiences which may be of great value, and can be brought out only by exchange of ideas.

"For instance, some villages have not, as yet, installed an electric light plant or water works, but expect to in the near future, and would like to profit by the knowledge of those who have, thereby saving time and money, as well as getting posted as to the best system on the market.

"Some villages are now, or soon expect to be wrestling with street railway franchises, and, as these franchises usually run for 20 years, it will be well to look into the matter before deeding away our birthright, and then 'lock the barn after the horse is stolen.' Let us avoid the repetition of mistakes which means to our respective villages a large saving in dollars, litigation and other annoyances.

"Some of us are even now struggling with the sidewalk question—what are the cheapest and best materials?"

Such conferences will result in great advantage to the villages, and if the meetings are continued and well attended the influence on legislation will be very strong. The idea is Marvin's.

New State Tax Law is O. K. In granting the mandamus to compel the board of assessors of Grand Rapids to deliver the assessment rolls of that city to the state board of tax commissioners for correction, the supreme court on the 19th sustained the constitutionality of the most important features of the new tax commission law. The law was assailed on three grounds.

1. That it is unconstitutional. 2. That if valid it does not apply to Grand Rapids. 3. That the tax commission was too late in making an attempt to alter the roll.

It was insisted that the act is unconstitutional because it interferes with local self-government in cities and villages, inasmuch as it empowers the state board to revise the assessment of property of an individual in any township or city. Justice Montgomery, who wrote the opinion for the court, says that it must be conceded that, in the absence of constitutional limitation, the state may, by its legislature, prescribe the limits of taxation and agencies to be employed.

It is said that the question presented is quite different from the one arising when an attempt may be made by the state to impose a burden upon a municipality or to compel local bodies to enter into contracts.

Weekly Crop Bulletin. The weekly crop bulletin of the Michigan weather bureau says that the cool weather of the past week has retarded the growth of corn, and in the upper peninsula frosts have injured garden truck slightly. Rain is needed in the upper peninsula and northern counties. In the central and southern counties showery weather has slightly delayed cultivation and other farm work, but generally the week has been a favorable one.

Largest Cement Factory in the World. Baldwin is to have the largest Portland cement factory in the world. The Great Northern Portland Cement company is capitalized at \$5,000,000 and Baldwin is to be the head center of the Portland cement business in Michigan. During the past year this company has acquired more than 6,000 acres of marl and clay lands in the vicinity of Baldwin. The company is a very strong one, among the officers are several Detroit business men.

Michigan Press Club's July Meeting. Secretary Neal of the Michigan Press club has arranged an interesting program for the annual meet. The members will rendezvous at the Griswold house, Detroit, at noon Friday, July 13, going to Star island and back in the afternoon. They will attend Waukegan in the evening. On Saturday morning, a business meeting will be held, but the program will be short owing to prospective hot weather.

Wabash Wins a Point. The supreme court has permitted the Wabash to amend its answer to the petition of Railroad Commissioner Osborn for a mandamus to compel the company to sell tickets at the rate of 2 1/2 cents per mile over its lines in the state. The case will now be heard on the road's interstate earnings.

Mason will hold a street fair next fall. The increased valuation of the city of Battle Creek for the current year is \$6,000,000, making a total of over \$11,000,000.

The Grand Rapids Furniture association has been organized by the local manufacturers and a trademark was adopted. Alpena's increased valuation this year is \$1,251,400. This is almost wholly on personal property. Only two protests were made.

The Capital Wagon Works at Ionia was damaged to the extent of \$100,000 on the night of the 19th. Cause of the fire unknown.

### MICHIGAN NEWS ITEMS.

Muskegon is infested with bicycle thieves. Petoskey has voted to bond for \$15,000 to build a new city hall.

The aggregate valuation of the city of Ypsilanti for 1900 is \$4,042,045.

Dowagiac has another new industry in the shape of a furniture factory.

Mackinac Island is now connected with the outside world by telephone.

The Methodists of Bad Axe dedicated a fine new \$10,000 edifice on the 17th.

Sault Ste. Marie has voted to spend \$120,000 in extending its water works.

Solicitors for the new Oakland County Telephone Co. have already secured 200 subscribers.

Flint suffered a \$10,000 fire loss on the 20th. The revolving hat case factory was destroyed.

The bootblacks of Port Huron have organized a trust, and shines are now 10 cents straight.

The Huron Condensed Milk Co. made its first shipment, amounting to 28,800 cans, on the 20th.

Marquette sold \$20,000 of 4 per cent. 10-year improvement and refunding bonds at a premium of \$642.

The census of Port Huron for 1900 shows an increase in population from 18,140 in 1890, to 19,360 in 1900.

Lowell will celebrate the glorious Fourth in proper style, and extensive arrangements are now under way.

The trustees of Kalamazoo college have decided to go ahead with the new administration building next fall. It will cost \$50,000.

Test shafts are being put down around Tuscola county to find out more exactly how extensive the coal deposits in that section are.

Lightning struck four times within space of 60 feet in a recent storm that passed over Calhoun county. Two persons were shocked but no one killed.

A 3,000-gallon compound duplex pump will be added to the Marine City water works, making the system as complete as that of any town in Michigan.

The council in the village of Tekonsha has nearly doubled the tax levy for the ensuing year, with the intention of graveling the principal streets of the place.

The common council of Cedar Springs has passed a curfew ordinance, and after June 25 all children under 15 years of age must be off the streets by 8 p. m.

The state encampment of the Sons of Veterans at Goguae lake was a great success. All the 44 lodges in the state were represented and military rules prevailed.

The acreage of mint in southwestern Michigan this season is much smaller than for several years past, and as a result the price will undoubtedly take an upward turn next fall.

As the season advances what looks worse and worse in Calhoun county. Thousands of acres will never be cut and the best fields will not yield more than 10 bushels to the acre.

A Vassar man has a pullet which he thinks is going to be a record breaker in the egg producing line. She has just begun to lay, and the six eggs so far produced weigh two pounds.

Rains in the upper peninsula have brought some encouragement to lumbermen and work on the drives has been resumed, after being suspended on account of low water in the rivers.

Census enumerators in the northern counties are meeting with much difficulty in completing their work owing to bad roads, farms widely separated and many people being away from home.

The sparrow killing industry is assuming great proportions in Branch and Calhoun counties. From Jan. 1, 1900, to June 1, 1900, Branch county paid for 11,044 sparrow heads at two cents each.

The Salling & Hanson Lumber Co. has started a new town called Johanna, on the Clear Lake branch, 14 miles north of the main line of the Twin Lake branch of the Michigan Central railroad.

Royal Oak is flooded with bogus half and quarter silver dollars. The spurious stuff is hard to detect. It is thought that it is manufactured near there and an effort will be made to catch the parties.

Hancock will have to retain its present boundaries yet awhile, the supervisors having sat down upon the plan for a "greater Hancock" because too much territory was included in the proposed new limits.

Henry Maltir, a Dalton farmer, started out to find his cows. Not returning, a search was instituted and his body found in a field, his face and hands having been eaten away by hogs. Heart trouble.

Ionia will be asked to grant a franchise for an electric road through that town to Grand Rapids. Promoters say the line will cost \$500,000, and the money is ready to build it as soon as the franchisees are secured.

The state board of health has been officially advised that the outbreak of smallpox in Detroit has ended. It commenced Feb. 28 and the last patient was discharged June 9. There was a total of 30 cases, and only one death.

Easton township, in Ionia county, is a great place for dogs in these days of newfangled dog laws and wardens. So far the township authorities have been unable to find anyone who is willing to accept the office of dog warden.

Mrs. Mamie E. Scally, a young and pretty widow of Detroit, met an accidental death by drowning on the evening of the 18th. She was in company with a lady and two gentlemen friends had been enjoying a day's outing in a steam launch on the Detroit river. The party had been drinking freely, and just how the accident happened not one of them can tell.

### M'KINLEY - ROOSEVELT

ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION BY THE REPUBLICANS.

It is a Record Seldom, if Ever Equalled by a National Convention, That Both the President and Vice-President Should be Elected by Acclamation.

National Republican Convention. Chairman Hanna, with a rabbit's foot suspended from a miniature of McKinley in the lapel of his coat, surveyed an imposing spectacle when he called the 13th Republican national convention to order in the spacious Export Exposition building in West Philadelphia at 12:35 p. m., on the 19th.

Below him were crowded the 1,800 delegates and alternates and stretching away to the four corners of the immense hall were endless vistas of people rising in terraced seats to the walls. He looked into the faces of fully 15,000 men and women. At the first session, as usual, little business of importance was transacted; a temporary organization was effected and the key note of the Campaign sounded. Senator Wolcott in his remarks defended the gold standard, approved the gold standard, said we would retain the Philippines and keep our word with Cuba.

McKinley and Roosevelt. Two nominations by acclamation is the rare, if not unparalleled record in national conventions, that was established by the Republican party on the 21st. In the morning President McKinley was renominated without a dissenting vote, and in the afternoon Gov. Theodore Roosevelt of New York, was nominated for vice-president in the same manner. Tremendous demonstrations followed the making of nominating speeches in each case, the cheering in each instance lasting 10 minutes. After the final adjournment of the convention the national committee re-elected Senator Hanna as its chairman. Mr. Hanna will therefore manage the Republican campaign this year as in 1896.

AMNESTY FOR FILIPINOS. War Department Makes Public Gen. MacArthur's Notice to Insurgents.

The war department has made public the following notice of amnesty which was issued by Gen. MacArthur at Manila on the 21st:

"By direction of the President of the United States, the undersigned announces and hereby proclaims complete immunity for the past and absolute liberty of action for the future to all persons who are now, or at any time since Feb. 4, 1898, have been in insurrection against the United States, in either a military or a civil capacity, and who shall, within a period of 90 days from the date hereof, formally renounce all connection with such insurrection and subscribe to a declaration acknowledging and accepting the sovereignty and authority of the United States in and over the Philippine Islands.

"The privilege herewith published is extended to all concerned, without any reservation whatever, excepting that persons who have violated the laws of war during the period of active hostilities are not embraced within the scope of this amnesty.

"All who desire to take advantage of the terms hereof set forth are requested to present themselves to the commanding officers of the American troops at the most convenient station, who will receive them with due consideration, and will, as far as possible, be provided with transportation for their immediate wants; prepare the necessary records, and thereafter permit each individual to proceed to any part of the archipelago, according to his own wishes, for which purpose the United States will furnish such transportation as may be available, either by railway, steamboat or wagon.

"Prominent persons who may desire to confer with the military governor or with the board of American commissioners will be permitted to visit Manila, and, as far as possible, be provided with transportation for their immediate wants; and to provide in some measure for destitute soldiers during the transitory period which must inevitably succeed a general peace, the military authorities of the United States will pay 30 pesos to each man who presents a rifle in good condition.

"ARTHUR MACARTHUR, Major-General U. S. Vols., Military Governor."

WAR NOTES. Two hundred Filipinos met in Manila on the 21st to determine honorable and decorous methods for securing peace.

The results were submitted to Gen. MacArthur, who accepted them. The leaders of the meeting will use their influence to induce Aguinaldo to accept the arrangement. If they are successful, as they hope to be, they believe Aguinaldo will issue orders in conjunction with the American authorities for the cessation of hostilities.

The President on the 19th appointed Gen. Lloyd Wheaton, colonel of the 20th regular infantry and brigadier-general of volunteers, a major-general of volunteers, and Lieut. Col. Thos. H. Barry, major and assistant adjutant-general in the regular establishment and lieutenant-colonel and assistant adjutant-general of volunteers, brigadier-general of volunteers.

The war department has received the following from Gen. Wood, at Havana: Reports from all over the island show that the elections were orderly and peaceful. Not a single disturbance was reported, and nearly the entire registration voted. All reports indicate satisfaction.

A Chinese report states that Admiral Seymour is fighting with the Chinese regulars and that the foreign forces have seized the Taku forts.

In consequence of the gravity of the Chinese situation the 7th Brigade infantry has been ordered to proceed to Hong Kong from Simla, India.

A sensation was caused at Berlin on the 21st by a declaration of Herr Merdel, a member of the reichstag and editor-in-chief of the Deutsche Tageszeitung, the agrarian organ, who, in the course of a political speech at Ebernburg said: "Our next war will be naval and against England. Of this we have been quietly assured by the government and it was because of this assurance that the agrarians voted for the naval bill."

### CHINA WAR NEWS.

The nationality of the foreign element in China for 1899 is as follows: American, residents, 2,335, increase over 1898 of 279; firms, 70, increase of 27; British, residents, 5,562, increase of 414; firms, 401, increase of 31; German, residents, 1,134, increase of 91; firms, 115, increase of 23; French, residents, 1,133, increase of 23; firms, 76, increase of 39; Dutch, residents, 106, increase of 19; firms, 9, increase of 1; Danish, residents, 128, increase of 11; firms, 4, increase of 1; Spanish residents, 448, increase of 53; firms, 9, increase of 5; Swedish and Norwegian, residents, 244, increase of 44; firms 2, increase of 2; Russian, residents, 1,621, increase of 1,456; firms 19, increase of 3; Austrian, residents, 90, decrease of 2; firms, 5, no change; Belgian, residents, 234, increase of 65; firms, 9, no change; Italian, residents, 124, decrease of 17; firms, 9, no change; Japanese, residents, 2,440, increase of 740; firms, 193, increase of 81; Portuguese, residents, 1,433, increase of 339; firms, 10, decrease of 10; Korean, residents, 42, increase of 2; no firms, non-treaty powers, residents, 29, increase of 2; no firms. The total number of residents, 17,193, shows an increase of 3,772 over 1898. The total number of firms, 933, shows an increase of 160 over 1898.

According to a dispatch from Shanghai, received at Berlin on the 23d, Tien Tsin is being bombarded by Chinese regulars and not by the Boxers. It is officially reported at Chefoo that the bombardment of Tien Tsin with large guns continues incessantly. The foreign concessions have nearly all been burned and the American consulate has been razed to the ground. The Russians are now occupying the railroad station, but are heard pressed. Reinforcements are urgently needed. The casualties are heavy. The railroad is open from Tong Tau to Ching Liang Chung, half way to Tien Tsin. It is reported from Japanese sources that 1,500 foreigners have been massacred at Tien Tsin.

A special from Washington says that to meet the exceedingly grave complication that has developed in northern China, and in order that the U. S. may be commensurately represented in the relief and protective measures forced upon the foreign nations, the President has directed Gen. MacArthur to send three regiments of regulars to Tientsin, which, with their support of commissary field transportation, signal men and medical staff, will make a force of 5,000. Admiral Remy has been directed to send the Oregon to Taku as soon as she can start. She will take extra marines and sailors from the Monterey, now with her at Hong Kong.

A special from Washington dated the 19th says: Persistent rumors are afloat that President McKinley has decided to call an extra session of congress to deal with the Chinese situation. If war exists in China, growing out of the destruction of the U. S. and other legations, it will be necessary to send more troops to China. Owing to conditions in the Philippines no more troops can be withdrawn safely. Therefore, it will require authority from congress to furnish troops.

Acting Secretary of the Navy Hackett received a cable message from Admiral Kempff, dated Chefoo, June 21, saying that Tien Tsin is being bombarded and that the American consulate as well as much of the foreign concessions are being destroyed. A relief party is en route to Tien Tsin, including 130 American marines under Maj. Waller.

The Taku forts opened fire upon foreign warships on the 17th which was taken as China's declaration of war. The bombardment lasted seven hours and two British ships are reported to have been sunk. The foreign casualties number 21 dead and 57 wounded, none American. The forts were foredoomed to surrender.

The Chinese government announces that telegrams for Tien Tsin and Taku with the entire address in plain language will be forwarded from Chefoo by mail at the sender's risk. There is a daily steamship service between Chefoo and Tien Tsin.

Some reports say that the Chinese have massed all foreigners in Pekin, while others, more credited, declare the French as well as the German minister has been killed.

The Russian relieving force assaulted Pekin on two sides on the 30th. Artillery was employed. British troops are also said to be outside of the city.

News from Pekin, dated June 13, says that the Boxers were then killing hundreds of native Christians and the servants of foreigners.

From the character of the Chinese movement and from reports to hand, it is certain that the Chinese have foreign advisers.

The 9th regiment now in the Philippines has been ordered to Manila, whence it will proceed to China.

It is reported that 1,300 U. S. soldiers, originally bound for Manila, have reached Taku.

It is estimated that China can easily muster about 1,000,000 half-armed men.

Japan is to send 25,000 men to China at once.

Bloomington, Ill., suffered a fire loss of nearly \$700,000 on the 19th. No fatalities were reported.

The St. Louis street car strikers will soon commence fighting the Transit Co. with automobiles.

The German meat exaction bill still lacks the necessary assent of the bundersrath and is not yet a law.

The insurrection in Bulgaria is spreading. Fifty peasants have been killed by the military at Duran-Lekah.

The Boers alleged to be hemmed in by Gen. Ruddle began shelling Ficksburg on the 19th. It is said they apprehend that a force is marching from the north on them, and hence they will endeavor to break through southward.

### TRANSVAAL WAR ITEMS.

According to a Cape Town dispatch, Gen. Kitchener had a narrow escape from capture in the engagement at Leeuw spruit, June 14. He was sleeping in the repair train when it was attacked and many of the engineers were captured. Kitchener's sleeping car was at Dewet, suddenly opened fire. Kitchener managed to reach his horse and galloped to Rhenoster, two miles distant. The Boers numbered 900 men, with three guns. They burned the culvert, which had just been rebuilt, and derailed the train.

The silence of Roberts from June 16 until June 20 disposed some to believe that his line of communications had again been cut, especially as Boers were known to be hovering about the railroad north of Kroonstad. This, however, seems to have been an error, as Roberts has reported that Gen. Hunter has occupied Krugersdorp (west of Johannesburg) without opposition, and that Gen. Methuen, June 10, routed a Boer force opposing his entry into Heilbron, Orange river colony.

Gen. Steyn's force in the Orange River colony is for the time drawing most of the attention of Lord Roberts, rather to the neglect of Commandant General Louis Botha and President Kruger. The severance between the Transvaal and the Orange River colony was completed on the 23d, as Lord Roberts said it would be, by the arrival of Gen. Buller's advance guard under Lord Dundonald at Standerton.

The Netherlands Railroad Co., of South Africa, has received official notification of the expulsion from the Transvaal of 1,400 of its employees with their families. The Dutch consul at Lorenzo Marques telegraphs that a proclamation has been issued to the effect that the company officials who refuse to do British military transport work will be sent to Europe via East London, Cape Colony.

President Kruger's sons who surrendered to Gen. Baden-Powell are back on their farms and working peacefully. Gen. Baden-Powell rode with only 300 men from Mafeking, and he made the last section of his ride to Pretoria with only 35. Lord Roberts met him in the outskirts of the town and escorted him to the presidency.

Gen. Buller arrived at San Spruit Station on the 21st, and camped two miles further on the western side of the railway. Many Boers met Gen. Buller on the road and surrendered their arms and horses.

The Boers continue to work the Barberton mines, says a dispatch from Lorenzo Marquez, and there are eight carloads of bar gold, valued at \$5,000,000, with President Kruger.

The British forces were attacked by rebels in West Africa on the 19th and had 11 men killed and 17 wounded. Soldiers are to be sent from Jamaica to fight against Ashantis.

Gen. Buller has issued a special order eulogizing the services of the Strathcona Horse.

It is reiterated that the Boers will make a stand in the Lydenburg district.

Walkerstrom, Transvaal, has surrendered to the British.

Gen. Dewet's farmhouses have been burned by the British.

Bethlehem is Steyn's temporary capital.

Kruger's health is said to be failing.

### BASE BALL.

Below we submit the official standing of the clubs of the National and American leagues up to and including Friday, June 23d.

Club	Won	Lost	Per cent.
Brooklyn	32	17	.653
Philadelphia	31	19	.620
Boston	24	24	.500
Pittsburgh	25	27	.481
Chicago	24	26	.480
Cincinnati	20	25	.442
St. Louis	23	27	.458
New York	19	28	.401

Club	Won	Lost	Per cent.
Indianapolis	21	18	.538
Chicago	23	21	.517
Milwaukee	20	24	.451
Cleveland	23	25	.479
Minnesota	20	27	.426
Kansas City	27	29	.482
Buffalo	19	31	.382
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### HOMESEEKERS' EXCURSIONS

Via Chicago & Eastern Illinois Railroad. On the first and third Tuesdays of July and August the Chicago & Eastern Illinois Railroad will place on sale Homeseekers' Excursion tickets to various points in Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, and Texas.

One fare plus \$2.00 for the round trip. Tickets are limited on going trip fifteen days from date of sale with stop over privileges in Homeseekers' territory. Returning tickets are limited twenty-one days from date of sale. Remember that we now have in service a new wide vestibled train between Chicago & Waco & Ft. Worth, Texas, leaving Chicago daily at 1:50 p. m. Through Pullman sleeping cars and free reclining chair cars. For further particulars call on or address any agent Chicago & Eastern Illinois Railroad or C. L. Stone, G. P. & T. A., Chicago.

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## THE FIRST BATTLE.

IN THE WAR FOR OUR INDEPENDENCE.

How the American Farmers Drove the British Back to Charlestown—The Latter Were Permitted to Fire the Opening Guns.

It is the night of April 18, 1775, in the little village of Concord, some eighteen miles northwest of Boston. The gray-haired sires have gathered their little flocks about them, read a chapter from the Good Book and prayed for King George and the Colony of Massachusetts. The fires have been raked up in the open hearths, the candles have been extinguished and the good people of the little village have retired for their rest.

Suddenly the clatter of a horse's hoofs are heard, echoing along the road, leading from Lexington and young Dr. Prescott, who has spent the evening in that village, gallops into the town and sends up the cry: "The red-coats are coming! Awake! Awake!"

The news which Dr. Prescott brings is dire news indeed. One Paul Revere and a man named Dawes have galloped from Boston to Lexington with the information that the British regulars to the number of 800 under Col. Francis Smith and Maj. Pitcairn are on the march toward Lexington and Concord. Their purpose is the capture of Samuel Adams and John Hancock, two colonial leaders whose activity and fearlessness have made them especially obnoxious to Gen. Gage and the destruction of military stores which Gage has learned are hidden in Concord. The doctor reports that he was present when Adams and Hancock were aroused from their beds at the Hancock-Clark house and induced to flee; that he and Revere and Dawes then started for Concord; that the two Boston messengers were surrounded and captured, but that he leaped his horse over a stone wall and managed to escape by riding hard across the fields.

The people are thoroughly aroused by his story and messengers are sent out afoot and on horse to alarm the people of other villages, while the local minute-men gather and parade in the darkness of the Common. As daylight comes, Col. James Barrett, commander of the militia, hurries hither and thither directing the work of removing the military stores to new hiding places, the farmers gladly tendering their huge wagons and ox teams to the service. Even the women carry away ammunition and hide it in their feather beds. While Col. Barrett is thus engaged, Maj. Buttrick leads the minute-men, to the number of fifty or more, to the top of the Old Hill burying ground, directly overlooking the Common and the road from Lexington. There are some fiery spirits among them, but the majority are sober-minded men—men who do not want war, who are still loyal subjects of his dull-brained majesty, King George, but who would die rather than yield one jot or tittle of what they believe to be their just rights. Moving among them with prayers and words of encouragement is their beloved minister, Rev. William Emerson, whose grandson, Ralph Waldo Emerson, is to become famous the world over, a century later.

The devoted little band on the hill await they know not what. Perhaps the red coats will turn back and the colonists are disposed to oppose them in their work of destroying the military stores. They did so at Salem and other places. It is about 7 o'clock when the scouts whom Maj. Buttrick has sent out on the Lexington road hurry back and report that the regulars are almost on them and that they are in great force. There are 600 light infantrymen and 200 grenadiers. Maj. Buttrick's little company of minute-men has by this time been swelled to perhaps 150, for the alarm has been widely spread and minute-men are constantly arriving in twos, in dozens and in scores. Shall they retreat and take up a new position? There is a difference of opinion among them. Rev. William Emerson, grand old preacher-patriot that he is, argues against a retreat.

"Let us stand our ground," he says; "if we die, let us die here!" How like is this to the command which Parker had given his minute-men on Lexington Common only a few hours previously: "Stand your ground! Don't fire unless fired on! But if they mean to have a war let it begin here!"

As the minute-men march away to the north the British troops enter the village. Col. Smith immediately details a number of men to search for and destroy military stores in the center of the village. To prevent the possible arrival of companies of minute-men from other towns he sends a company to guard the South bridge, and orders Capt. Lawrence to take six companies and proceed to the North bridge, to which he learns the local minute-men have already retired. Arriving at the North bridge and seeing the minute-men grouped across the river, on the hill to the right, Capt. Lawrence leaves three companies under Capt. Laurie to guard the bridge while he sends the other three companies, under Capt. Parsons, across the bridge, not to attack the minute-men but to proceed along the road to the left and search the house of Col. James Barrett for munitions of war which are said to be stored there.

While Col. Smith is thus engaged in sending out his men, Maj. Pitcairn, who seems to be somewhat of a swashbuckler, enters Wright's tavern for refreshments. As he stirs his hot toddy with his finger he turns to a group of fellow officers and boastfully says: "Thus will I stir the Yankee blood before night!" Little does he realize how true a prediction he is making. Little dreams he of how the Yankee blood is to be stirred by that day's events—stirred until it refuses to quiet before the misused colonies have united and by means of a long and bloody war have won their place as a free and powerful nation.

The minute-men on the hill at the northern extremity of the village see the smoke arising from the fires kindled in the center of the village and Capt. Joseph Hosmer turns indignantly to Col. Barrett and demands: "Will you let them burn the town?" Col. Barrett now calls the other militia officers about him and they confer of conflict. His progress is not interfered with, and the minute men on the hill watch him as he joins his defeated comrades.

During all this time reinforcements have constantly been adding to the number of minute-men, and they are growing more and more confident. Moreover, Col. Smith sees that the people are desperately in earnest. He gathers his men together, marches, halts, counter-marches, hesitates and finally, fearing that in further conflict his command may be utterly worsted, he gives the order to return and his soldiers turn their faces toward Boston. They have no premonition of the very hell of shot which shall accompany them until they sink exhausted and decimated under the protection of the warships at Charlestown. Truly, Maj. Pitcairn has stirred the Yankee blood. The Lexington road through Concord curves in almost a semicircle and while the regulars are steadily marching southward over the route by which they so bravely came in the early morning, the minute-men swarm through the fields behind the wooded hill which skirts the road, thus getting by a shorter route in advance of the regulars.

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PAUL REVERE.

(From a painting made in 1804, 29 years after his famous ride.)

sult over the situation. Finally they resolve to "march into the middle of the town and protect their homes or die in the attempt." But it is understood that they are not to fire upon the British regulars unless they are fired on first. The march is immediately begun with the minute-men from the neighboring town of Acton in the lead, under command of Capt. Isaac Davis. As the minute-men approach the west end of the North bridge the British soldiers draw up at the other end and some of them begin tearing up the planks from the bridge. Maj. Buttrick calls out to the British in remonstrance and orders his men to advance at double-quick. They are within a few rods of the bridge when a shot rings out and Luther Blanchard, of Acton, and Jonas Brown, of Concord, are wounded by the same bullet.

Almost instantly this single shot is followed by a volley from the British. Capt. Isaac Davis and Abner Hosmer, both of Acton, fall dead and several others of the patriots drop their muskets and clutch at wounds from which the blood is gushing. The war has begun.

Maj. Buttrick, now as hot for the fight as he was earnest for delay, springs to one side, fires his musket at the British and shouts out his order: "Fire, fellow soldiers! For God's sake, fire!"

A volley crashes out and the first British soldiers to die in the face of the colonists drop to the ground. Three of them fall dead and a half a dozen are wounded, among the latter being three minor officers.

The British immediately retreat toward the center of the town, and the Americans follow them a little way and then turn off and draw up on the hillside. The regulars carry one of their dead with them, but two are left lying on the bloody ground.

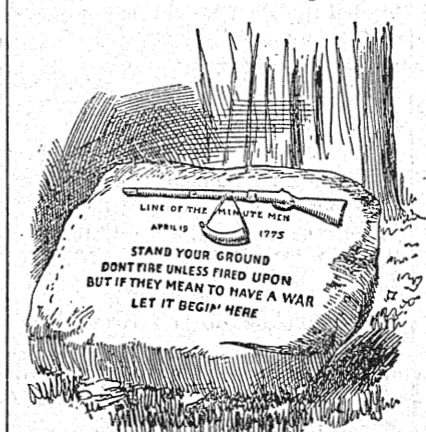
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HISTORIC STONE.

(This historic old boulder lies on the northeast corner of the Lexington Common and marks the position of the American minutemen when fired on by the British, April 19, 1775. On it is chiseled the command of Capt. Parker to his men.)

hounds the panting British rush forward and fall exhausted within the lines made safe by Percy's cannon and musketrymen. Drink and food are furnished for as many as possible from the Monroe tavern, which Percy has made his headquarters, and the wounds of such injured as have been able to keep up with the weary march are hurriedly dressed.

The day is now well spent and Percy fears the consequences of re-

turning till dark. Speedily he forms the troops in order and the march toward Boston is resumed.

And the colonists? Are they content

with the disaster they have inflicted? Not so. Scarcely has the march been resumed until they are on the flanks of the retreating British again. And thus it is until Charlestown itself is reached and the red-coats, worn, dispirited, declaimed, fling themselves under the protection of the guns on board the ships of war in the river.

The first day of the American revolution is passed. Forty-nine colonists have been killed and thirty-six wounded. But the British loss has been far heavier—seventy-three killed, 172 wounded, and twenty-six missing.

THE BELL OF LIBERTY.

BY J. T. HEADLEY.

The representatives of the people assembled in solemn conclave, and long and anxiously surveyed the perilous ground on which they were treading. To recede was now impossible; to go on seemed fraught with terrible consequences. The result of the long and fearful conflict that must follow was more than doubtful. For twenty days Congress was tossed on a sea of perplexity. At length Richard Henry Lee, shaking off the fetters that galled his noble spirit, arose on the 7th of June, and in a clear, deliberate tone, every accent of which rang to the farthest extremity of the silent hall, proposed the following resolution: "Resolved, that these United Colonies are, and ought to be, free and independent states, and all political connection between us and the states of Great Britain is, and ought to be, totally dissolved."

John Adams, in whose soul glowed the burning future, seconded the resolution in a speech so full of impassioned fervor, thrilling eloquence, and prophetic power, that Congress was carried away before it, as by a resistless wave. The die was cast, and every man was now compelled to meet the issue. The resolution was finally deferred till the 1st of July, to allow a committee, appointed for that purpose, to draft a Declaration of Independence.

When the day arrived the Declaration was taken up and debated article by article. The discussion continued for three days, and was characterized by great excitement. At length, the various sections having been gone through with, the next day, July 4th, was appointed for action. It was soon known throughout the city; and in the morning, before Congress assembled, the streets were filled with excited men, some gathered in groups, engaged in eager discussion, and others moving towards the state house. All business was forgotten in the momentous crisis which the country had now reached. No sooner had the members taken their seats than the multitude gathered in a dense mass around the entrance. The bellman mounted to the belfry to be ready to proclaim the joyful tidings of freedom as soon as the final vote was passed. A bright-eyed boy was stationed below to give the signal. Around the bell, brought from England, had been cast, more than twenty years before, the prophetic motto:

"PROCLAIM LIBERTY THROUGHOUT ALL THE LAND UNTO ALL THE INHABITANTS THEREOF."

Although its loud clang had often sounded over the city, the proclamation engraved on its iron lip had never been spoken aloud.

It was expected that the final vote would be taken without delay; but hour after hour wore on, and no report came from the mysterious hall where the fate of a continent was in suspense. The multitude grew impatient; the old man leapt over the railing, straining his eyes downward, till his heart misgave him and hope yielded to fear. But at length, about 2 o'clock, the door of the hall opened, and a voice exclaimed, "It has passed!"

The word leaped like lightning from lip to lip, followed by huzzas that shook the building. The boy sentinel turned to the belfry, clapping his hands, and shouted, "Ring, ring!" The desponding bellman, electrified into life by the joyful news, seized the iron tongue, and hurled it backward and forward with a clang that startled very heart in Philadelphia like a jugle blast. "Clang! clang!" the bell of Liberty resounded on higher and clearer and more joyous, blending in its deep and thrilling vibrations, and proclaiming in loud and long accents over all the land the motto that encircled it.

Glad messengers caught the tidings as they floated out on the air, and sped off in every direction to bear them onward. When they reached New York the bells rang out the glorious news, and the excited multitude, surging hither and thither, at length gathered around the Bowling Green, and seizing the leaden statue of George III., which stood there, tore it in fragments. These were afterwards run into bullets and hurled against his majesty's troops. When the Declaration arrived in Boston, the people gathered to old Faneuil Hall to hear it read; and as the last sentence fell from the lips of the reader, a loud shout went up, and soon from every fortified height and every battery the thunder of cannon re-echoed the joy.

Wales as a Jockey.

The Prince of Wales once rode and won a horse-race. This event took place in Ireland, nearly forty years ago. The horse's name was Rupee, and the distance run a mile and a half. To the spectators the jockey was known as "Capt. Melville." His colors on this occasion were all white. Rupee was the prince's own horse. He determined to ride him himself, and, if possible, to win. This he did, though there were several experienced jockeys riding against him.

## THE PATRIOT SPY.

FRANCIS M. FINCH.

To drum beat and heart beat  
A soldier marches by;  
There is color in his cheek,  
There is courage in his eye;  
Yet to drum beat and heart beat,  
In a moment he must die.

By star-light and moon-light  
He seeks the Briton's camp,  
He hears the rustling flag  
And the armed sentry's tramp;  
And the star light and moon light  
His silent wanderings lamp.

With slow tread and still tread,  
He scans the tented line;  
And he counts the battery guns  
By the gaunt and shadowy pine,  
And his slow tread and still tread  
Give no warning sign.

The dark wave, the plumed wave!  
It meets his eager glance,  
And it sparkles near the stars  
Like the glimmer of a lance,—  
A dark wave, a plumed wave,  
On an emerald expanse.

A sharp clang, a steel clang!  
And terror in the sound,  
For the sentry, falcon-eyed,  
In the camp a spy hath found;  
With a sharp clang, a steel clang  
The patriot is bound.

With calm brow, steady brow,  
He listens to his doom;  
In his look there is no fear,  
Nor a shadow-trace of gloom;  
But with calm brow, and steady brow,  
He robs him for the tomb.

In the long night, the still night,  
He kneels upon the sod,  
Aid the brutal guards withhold  
E'en the precious Word of God;  
In the long night, the still night,  
He walks where Christ has trod.

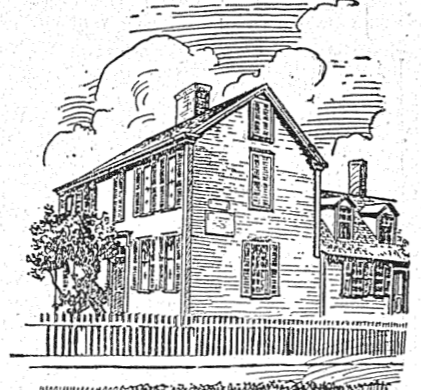
'Neath the blue morn, the sunny morn,  
He dies upon the tree,  
And he mourns that he can lose  
But one life for liberty;—  
And in the blue morn, the sunny morn,  
His spirit-wings are free.

But his last words, his message words,  
They burn, lest friendly eye  
Should read how proud and calm  
A patriot could die,  
With his last words, his message words,  
A soldier's battle-cry!

From Fame Leaf and from Angel Leaf,  
From Monument and Urn,  
The sad of earth, the glad of heaven,  
His history shall learn,  
And on Fame Leaf and Angel Leaf  
The name of Hale shall burn.

ple to worship, to toll for their funerals, and to tell them at 9 o'clock each night that it was time to rake up the fires and go to bed. In 1797 it was bought by a son of Capt. John Parker and removed to his homestead, remaining there for nearly a century. Then it was purchased by the Lexington Historical society, restored to its original appearance and replaced on Belfry Hill.

Three buildings of great historical



THE HANCOCK-CLARK HOUSE, LEXINGTON, MASS.

interest stand one opposite each of the three sides of the Common. To the east is the Merriam House, known at the time as the Buckman Tavern, the rendezvous of the minute-men. It was fired on by the British regulars and the bullet holes can still be seen. To the west of the Common is the Monroe house, built in 1728. A bullet passed through the glass over the door and imbedded itself in a bureau. The bureau, bullet and all, is in the possession of one of Monroe's descendants at Chicopee, Mass.

At the north of the Common is the Harrington house, at the door of which the original owner died with his head in his wife's lap the morning of April 19, 1775.

Only 100 rods northeast of the Common is the famous Hancock-Clark house. The original part of the house, which is now the rear L, as shown in the illustration, was erected in 1698 by Rev. John Hancock. His son built the two-story front in 1734. After Rev. John Hancock's death it passed into the hands of Rev. Jonas Clark, who had married Hancock's granddaughter. The ministry of John Hancock and Jonas Clark extended over a period of 105 years. Young John Hancock and Samuel Adams were hiding with Rev. Jonas Clark in this house when warned to flee by Paul Revere. —A. M. D.

Hindoo Are Vegetarians.  
The Hindoo is a strict vegetarian. The low caste Hindoo is a fatalist. So, when the famine stalks abroad the Hindoo submits uncomplainingly. Day by day he will subsist on less food, until at last, when a mere shadow, he will drag his bony self to a relief station. There he may get food—or he may not. If not, he crouches in some corner, or out in the fields, under the trees and awaits the coming of death.

Mule Catches Turtles.  
A mule patrols the beach at St. Augustine, Fla., in quest of turtles. When she has found one she turns it on its back, and then ambles off to inform her master.

A man never accomplishes much till he has got something behind him to be ashamed of.

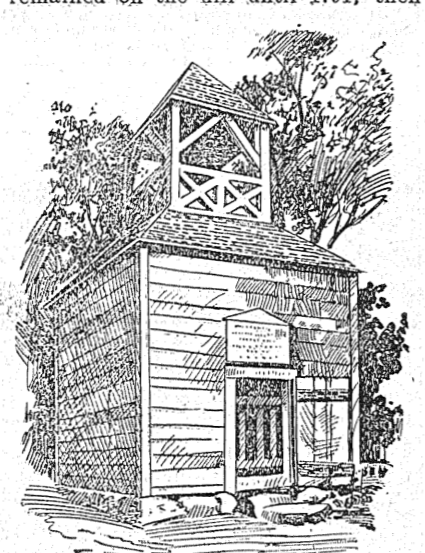
## LEXINGTON AND ITS COMMON.....

The village of Lexington lies about ten miles northwest of Boston. The first settlement was made there in 1640 near the site of what afterwards became known as the Buckman Tavern. There still remain in the village several well-preserved houses which were standing at the time of the battle of Lexington 125 years ago. They have been well cared for and have undergone little change. They add much to the historic interest of the place and are annually visited by thousands of tourists. The local historical society has placed tablets on them enumerating the dates and facts of especial interest.

Lexington Common is in the form of a triangle and stands nearly in the center of the village. At the time of the fight on April 19, 1775, it was an open space and used as a drill ground for the militia. Today it is a beautiful park. At the southern end of the triangle is what is known as the Pulpit monument, in the form of a granite pedestal surmounted by an open Bible. This monument stands on the site of the first three churches built by the colonists. Just behind it, properly protected, is a thrifty elm which was set out by Gen. Grant 25 years ago on the centennial anniversary of the battle. Near the northwest corner of the Common is the Minute-men monument, at the foot of which are buried those killed in the battle. It is quaintly inscribed and bears the names of those whose last resting place it marks. In 1824 Lafayette was given a public reception in front of this monument, and fourteen survivors of Capt. Parker's men shook hands with him. Near the northeast corner of the Common is a huge boulder mark-

ing the place where Parker's men were drawn up. Engraved on the boulder is a musket and Capt. Parker's command to his men.

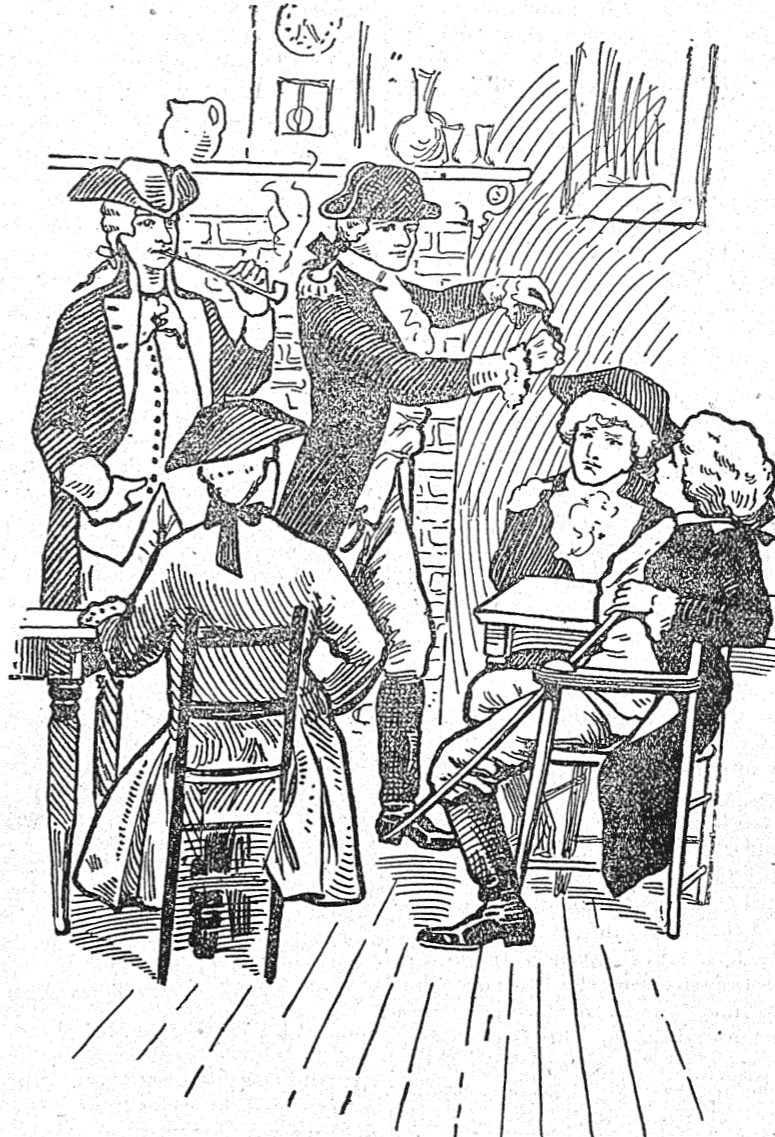
The original church on the Common had no steeple and a belfry was erected near by. In 1761 a new belfry was erected on Belfry Hill, just to the west of the Common. From this belfry rang out the alarm on that memorable morning 125 years ago. The belfry remained on the hill until 1791; then



LEXINGTON BELFRY.

(From which rang out the alarm on the night of April 18, 1775, warning the Americans that the British soldiers were on their way from Boston.)

It was removed to the Common and its bell was used to summon the peo-



MAJOR PITCAIRN AND HIS TODDY.

(Thus will I stir the Yankee blood before night.)

Hearing the firing at North Bridge, Capt. Parsons ceases his work of destruction at Col. Barrett's and hastens with his three companies towards the

maintaining till dark. Speedily he forms the troops in order and the march toward Boston is resumed.



**"Everything comes to him who waits,"**

But Success comes sooner to him who meets it half way. To have good store service is to go half way and to convince the people that you have good service is to go all the way.

**PUSH**  
Will sell anything the first time and  
**CERESOTA**

Will sell itself after the first time. Housekeepers are slow to try new things, but quick to adopt the good. Customers do not lack appreciation, but they need to be convinced. Unless they have confidence in the merchant who recommends a new article, they will not try it, and unless the article is as good as the recommendation, they will not continue to use it. With the best trade, quality is a stronger argument than price. Competition is keener to-day than ever before, but merit never meant so much as it does now. The man who does better work or sells better goods than his neighbor can command a better price.  
Competent cooks know good flour when they bake it. Try

**CERESOTA**  
Money back if you are not satisfied.  
**G. A. STEVENSON,**  
Sole Distributer for Cass City.

**Local Happenings.**

Mrs. Mary Wilder is visiting friends at King's Mills.  
Louis, son of David Law, northeast of town, is quite seriously ill.  
Andrew Campbell, Sr., has returned from visiting a sister at Joliet, Ills.  
Will Dirstine, foreman of the Gagetown Roller Mills, was in town on Friday.  
Prof. H. Z. Wilber, of Millington, attended the teachers examination here last week.  
Miss Maud Treadgold was the guest of Miss Nancie MacArthur at Millington last week.  
Mrs. Jos. Wallace has been seriously ill for some time and it is feared she cannot recover.  
W. A. Anderson is fitting up a substantial and commodious omnibus for the New Sheridan.  
Hold fast and hold to the last; it is good advice, but do not try it with firecrackers.—Saturday Post.  
Remember, please, the best Fourth of July speech ever made was less than ten minutes long.—Saturday Post.  
Mrs. J. S. McNair returned last week from Vassar, where she has been caring for her sister, Mrs. F. W. Shaw.  
James Day and son, John, left last week to spend the summer with friends at Caron, in the Canadian Northwest.  
W. D. Hinkley, of the North Branch elevator, and A. Frutchey, of the Brown City elevator, spent Sunday with their families here.  
The frame work of the new addition to the Cass City foundry is in course of construction, under the supervision of Fancher & Son.  
Dr. D. P. Deming is attending the Republican convention at Grand Rapids this week as one of the delegates from this county.  
The Free Methodists from the vicinity of Wickware, held forth in the open air here again on Sunday afternoon, and had quite a large and attentive audience.  
Mr. and Mrs. F. Nettleton have moved to the residence rooms over the Cass City Bank. Mr. Nettleton, however will retain the management of the Kingston elevator.  
Mr. and Mrs. E. A. McGeorge, Master Lewis and H. Frutchey are planning for an outing near Howard City as the guests of Mr. McGeorge's brother, in the near future.  
Frutchey, McGeorge & Co. are adding some new machinery to their already finely equipped elevators, preparatory to handling the work of the approaching busy season.  
T. J. Clements sold his residence property on Pine Street west to J. S. McArthur, last week, and is making preparations to move at once to Port William, Ontario, where there is an excellent opening. Mr. McArthur has already disposed of the property to Elmer Yakes, the solicitor for Hill & Parent, of the National Marble Works, who will occupy the same as soon as vacated by Mr. Clements.

Quite a few of our townspeople attended the Evangelical camp-meeting at Elkton on Sunday. The attendance was large and the meetings quite enthusiastic, resulting in a number of conversions.  
Miss Lottie Usher, a "graduate" from the ENTERPRISE office, has accepted a position as compositor on the Osega County News, published at Gaylord, Mich., and started Wednesday morning for that place.  
Advertise just as you drive a nail. Not one big blow and then stop forever, but with reasonable blows, one following the other. Even if your one blow is hard enough to drive the nail home, it is likely to go crooked or split the plank and spoil your job.  
Wm. Spurgeon has purchased the eighty acre farm, three and one half miles north and 1/2 mile east of town, of B. Kreutziger, who lives east and north of Elkton. The consideration was \$2,500. N. W. Bradley will remain on the farm the balance of the year.  
Mrs. I. B. Anten, accompanied by Miss Madalene, Master Meredith and Miss Libby, left Monday morning for Chataqua, N. Y. Mrs. Anten will be joined by her mother, sister and brother from Maine, and all will spend the summer at that charming resort.  
We understand that the Caro Fair dates have been changed to the third week in September, so as to avoid conflict with Cass City and Sebawaing. We sincerely hope that the report is correct and do not think our neighbors will lose anything by making the change.  
The passenger coaches and baggage cars on the P. O. & N. railway are being put through the repair and paint shop of the road at Pontiac. The first ones were out last week and they are much improved in appearance. The interior as well as the outside has been thoroughly renovated and painted and look much nicer.  
The kind of study that can be pursued by children in summer time is precisely the kind that develops understanding and the ability to see a thing when it is looked at. No better preparation for the winter's work in mathematics or in Latin can be had than summer work with Nature. No worse preparation could be invented than the idleness or un-directed activity of a long vacation.—July Ladies' Home Journal.  
On Saturday evening a couple of farmers who live north of town, partook of sufficient "tangle leg" to make them noisy and quarrelsome, and started homeward in the same mood. About three miles north they met a sturdy farmer from beyond Gagetown, and with oaths and abuse ordered him out of the road. Seeing the condition of the man he drove into the ditch, when they deliberately drove over his horse and buggy, demoralizing the latter and injuring the horse. The farmer succeeded in getting out of the way before they struck his rig. They then wanted to fight the man they had already insulted, but he refused to fight men who were drunk, promising to accommodate them if they would come around when sober. They finally took the advice offered and proceeded homeward.

Martin Dew is at Sauliac Centre on business.

Rev. and Mrs. Wm. Edmonds, of Auburn, near Bay City, are visiting with Mr. Edmond's cousin, Mrs. M. Dew.

Rev. C. H. Morgan gives the address at the union picnic in Vorhes Grove, near Wilnot, July 4th. His subject will be "Christian Patriotism."

Geo. W. Goff, successor to W. D. Schooley, in the harness and saddlery business, makes his bow through our advertising columns. He will return to Clio this week to move his family and effects to this place. Don't fail to give him a call.

The Orangenem of this section are planning to attend the celebration at Sarnia, Ont., on the 12th of July. For their accommodation the P. O. & N. R. R. will give excursion rates from all points north of Clifford. Watch for further announcement.

Cass City has been posterred to death of late with all sorts of people begging for aid. They try to ring any kind of a bluff to pull a dime out of the an- wary, and in most cases do it. The majority of them are able bodied men but are simply too lazy to work, and at long as they are helped by our citizens will continue to come. The proper thing to do is to refuse them and they will soon have to find another way to make a living.

The annual convention of the Sunday schools of Tuscola County will be held at Caro on Monday, July 2nd, commencing at nine o'clock a. m., in the Methodist Church. Field Superintendent Alfred Day, of Detroit, will assist the pastors of the county, and the program is filled with all sorts of good things for those interested in Sunday school work. The Caro people offer entertainment for man and beast, to all who will attend the convention.

McArthur and Matzen have been awarded the contract of furnishing the carpets and other furnishings for the New Sheridan and also for Dr. D. P. Deming's new residence. The carpets will be Wiltons, Axminsters and Ingrains. It is the largest sale of the kind ever made in this section and our dealers had to compete with Pontiac and Detroit houses, proving that they know where to buy and the right price to sell at.

The Saginaw Evening News of Tuesday contained the following: "Cass City—This town is without drinking water save that secured from a creek which is said to be contaminated. The state board of health has been appealed to." Nothing could be farther from the truth as no town has a better or purer supply of water. A large number of wells are found here, containing excellent water, besides which we have a first-class water- works system, supplied by a series of drive wells and not depending upon any stream.

According to previous announcement Jas. Tennant's new exclusive grocery store was thrown open to the public on Saturday, and is pronounced by every one to be the neatest in finish, style and arrangement they have seen in many a day. The shelving, counters, etc., are finished in oil, harmonizing with the new, strictly up-to-date show cases and giving a very pleasant effect. The stock is not crowded, but the selection is excellent and the assortment complete. A call will convince you that these statements are correct.

Mrs. M. L. Moore, who recently purchased the millinery business of Mrs. H. S. Wickware, and has already taken possession, is certainly no novice at the profession. She served her time with Miss Porter, at Cleveland, Ohio. Miss Porter afterwards conducted a millinery store in Caro for one season only and is now connected with a large wholesale house in Chicago. Mrs. Moore has had thirteen years experience in millinery in Michigan and two years in Texas. She came to Cass City six years ago and up to the present has assisted Mr. Moore in the successful conducting of a bakery and restaurant. New goods have already been purchased and are expected to arrive in a few days. Besides keeping the lines already handled by Mrs. Wickware, other new lines will be added as quickly as possible, the arrival of which will be duly announced. The business will be carried on in the old stand for the present and Mrs. Moore will be pleased to have you call and look over the stock and get acquainted. Make no delay in doing so.

**Bargains in Bicycles.**  
As our room is limited we have decided to go out of the bicycle business and will close out several wheels at greatly reduced prices.  
6-23 LAING & JAMES.

**Notice.**  
Having disposed of my millinery business, will kindly ask those indebted to me on book account or otherwise to please call and settle not later than July 20th.  
6-23 Mrs. H. S. WICKWARE.

House to rent or sell. Inquire of H. W. SEED.  
6-7-

**Done 'Em Easy.**

On Tuesday the Caro crack ball team came over to play the return game with the home team. After partaking of a good square meal at Hotel Gordon, they put on their red suits and proceeded to the Driving Park with the expectation of taking the second game from our boys, who feeling their first defeat, had made up their minds to do or die. Did they do it? They walked up one side and down the other of the sugar city boys and ran bases 'till they got tired. Our boys were all in fine shape and played the game right, while the Caro boys played loosely. "Bobby" Gale did the twirling for Cass City and kept the Caro boys guessing to crack out safe one, and the entire team behind him played snappy ball. Schwaderer at short put up a fine game and made the Caro boys wish they had him. The same teams will play at Caro on July 4th. The following is the score by innings.  
Cass City..... 11 4 1 2 1 0 0 3 \*-22  
Caro..... 4 3 0 0 0 0 2 2-11  
Batteries—Cass City—Gale and McKenzie; Caro—Quinn and Atwood.

**To My Patrons.**

Having disposed of my business in which I have been engaged for the past 19 years, I feel that it is my duty to thank those that have so kindly given me their trade, which was to me a source of great pleasure. It is with regret that I make this announcement but business changes in my family has made it necessary for me to devote my time and attention to my home, and for this reason I had to retire. In retiring I wish to say to my patrons that my successor, Mrs. M. L. Moore, has had many years of experience in the millinery business and you will find her with a full line in stock and will conduct her business in every respect satisfactory.  
Mrs. H. S. WICKWARE.

**Mill Wood Wanted**  
at the Planning Mill of  
LONDON, ENO & KEATING.  
6-7-11

**Notice.**

The annual meeting of school district No. 5, of the township of Elkland, for the election of school district officers, and for the transaction of such other business as may lawfully come before it, will be held at the Town Hall, on Monday, the 9th day of July, 1900, at 8 o'clock p. m.  
Dated this 28th day of June, 1900.  
H. S. WICKWARE, Director.  
6-28-2

**Bids Wanted.**

Bids wanted on or before July 15th, for building a 6-foot addition to the schoolhouse of Dist. No. 1, Sheridan township, Huron county also placing the whole building on a stone foundation veneered with brick, roofed, plastered, etc. The right is reserved to reject any or all bids. For further particulars apply to  
FINLAY ROSS,  
Greenleaf, Mich.  
6-21-2

**Shabbona.**

Born on the 21st to Mr. and Mrs. Will Raymond, a son.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Parrott, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Gotham and Miss Grace and Perry Gotham have returned from a week's camping at Forester.

Pearl Helmer and son, Milfred, of Imlay City, are visiting in this locality.

Mrs. Wm. Howey is on the sick list.  
Mr. and Mrs. Paul Brown wheeled to Sauliac Center last Saturday.

Miss Nellie Jones attended the teacher's examination at Crosswell last week.  
Amasa Brown is bricking his new residence.  
Ezra Travis raised his barn last Saturday.

Annie Chambers is working for Mrs. Truesdell.  
Wm. F. Ehlers has the lot for the new school house nearly ready.

**Almost a Miracle.**

Detroit, Mich., Mr. T. V. Baldinger of 117 Clinton St., this city, feels that all the world should know of the wonderful virtues of Dr. Chase's Ointment as a cure for piles. He says, "Dr. Chase's Ointment is a blessing to humanity. It cured me of itching piles after 25 years suffering, during which time I tried doctors' treatment and many kinds of 'Pile Cures' without result."

To prove the wonderful virtues of Dr. A. W. Chase's Ointment as a cure for piles, eczema, salt rheum, and all the tormenting, itching skin troubles of men, women and children, we will send a sample box free to any sufferer who will send name and stamp to pay postage. Could anything be fairer?  
Price 50 cents a box, all druggists, or Dr. A. W. Chase Med. Co., Buffalo, N. Y. Positively guaranteed to cure.

The wedding of Miss Grace Huston and Mr. Eugene Woodruff, of Ludington occurred at the home of the bride's parents, Hon. H. B. Huston and wife in this village Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock in the presence of members of the family and a few intimate friends. The happy couple left at 11 o'clock for Ann Arbor, where the groom finished as a post graduate of the literary department of the University of Michigan the following day. The bride has lived in Vassar since early childhood and takes with her the good wishes of her friends, who include the entire community.—Vassar Times.

**Cass City Markets.**

Cass City, June 14 1900	
Wheat No. 1 white.....	80
Wheat No. 2 red.....	80
Oats.....	54
Rye.....	70
Beans, Screened.....	1 20
Beans, Hand picked.....	1 80
Peas.....	50
No. 2 hay, pressed, and clover mixed.	
Clover Seed, prime.....	No. 2..... 1 00
Potatoes, new.....	5 10c
Cabbage per head.....	10
Onions per bushel.....	10
Eggs per doz.....	13
Butter.....	6 00 6 25
Hops, dressed per cwt.....	5 00 6 00
Beef, dressed.....	5 7
Catfish, weight.....	5 7
Turkeys.....	7
Dressed ducks and geese.....	7
MARKETS AT ROLLER MILLS.	
White Lily.....	4 70 per bbl
Heller's Best.....	5 10 "
Granbury's Best.....	5 00 "
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Bolton's Best.....	1 60 cwt
Feed.....	1 00 "
Meal.....	1 00 "
Wheat.....	80 "
Rye Flour.....	80 "
B. W. Flour.....	2 00 "

**3-CENT COLUMN.**

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

**FOR SALE**—Four sticks timber 45 feet long, blattened on two sides. T. A. STAVENSON.

**FOR SALE**—House, two lots and driving manor. P. Pine Street West. T. J. CLEMENTS.

**FOR SALE**—18 inch dry Beach Maple Wood \$1.50 per cord delivered in town. O. K. JAMES.

**FOR SALE**—Building stone, delivered at \$2.50 per cord. 6-29- W. A. ANDERSON.

**FOR SALE**—A Nichols & Shepherd plain engine separator and one Bushell clover huller. Inquire of W. W. WILSON, Cass City.

**MONEY** to loan at six per cent on real estate. 83-11 E. B. LONDON.

**FOR SALE**—A house, barn, one acre of land, good location. Reasonable terms. A. A. HITCHCOCK.

**HOUSE AND LOT** to rent. J. L. HITCHCOCK.

**FRESH FISH**—Delivered at your door at lowest price. Receive fish three times a week. Also wood for sale and cultivating done. 6-21-23 J. OS. MCCLORY.

**FOR SALE**—Wind mill and watering tank cheap. 6-14-11 E. H. PINNEY.

**FOR SALE VERY CHEAP**—Dredging machine, newly new. Inquire of D. M. HOUGHTON. 6-7-3

**Order of Hearing.**

State of Michigan, County of Tuscola, ss.  
At a session of the Probate Court for said county, held at the Probate office in the village of Caro, on the 28th day of June, in the year one thousand nine hundred and zero, the undersigned, Judge of Probate, in the presence of the estate of John Walmisley, deceased, Notion Bledlow, the administrator of said estate, representative of this court that he is now prepared to render his final administration account, and pay the balance of assets in his hands to the persons entitled thereto. It is ordered, that the 28th day of July next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate Court, be assigned for examining and allowing said account, and the assignment of the residue of said estate to the heirs at law of said deceased. And it is further ordered, that a copy of this order be published in the Cass City Enterprise, a newspaper printed and circulated in said County, three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing. JOHN C. LAING, Judge of Probate.

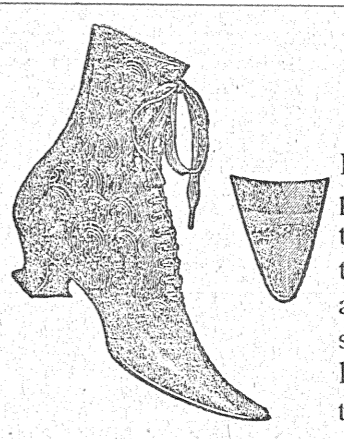
**Mortgage Sale.**

Default having been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage dated Dec. 18th, 1898, made and executed by Duncan McLarty and Lizzie McLarty, his wife, to Gertrude I. Duncan and recorded in the office of the Registrar of Deeds for Tuscola county, Michigan, in Liber 88, of mortgages on page 310 on December 27th, 1898, which said mortgage was duly assigned by a written assignment bearing date March 16th, 1900, made by the said Gertrude I. Duncan to Daniel P. Deming and E. E. Brooker, and recorded in the office of the Registrar of Deeds of said county on May 1st, 1900, that by reason of said default the whole sum secured by said mortgage has become due and payable and is hereby declared due and payable, and there is claimed to be due on said mortgage at the date of this notice the sum of three hundred twenty eight dollars and fifty-eight cents (\$328.58). Now, therefore, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, at public vendue, to the highest bidder, at the Probate Court, in the village of Caro, Tuscola county, Michigan, (that being the place of holding the Circuit Court for said county) on July 30th, 1900, at ten o'clock in the forenoon. The said mortgaged premises are described in said mortgage substantially as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land situated in the southeast quarter of section eighteen, in township number thirteen north, range eleven east, which said premises will be sold as aforesaid to satisfy the amount due on said mortgage and the costs of foreclosure.  
Dated Cass City, Mich., May 3rd, 1900.  
DANIEL P. DEMING, M. E. BROOKER, Assignees of Mortgage.  
J. D. BROOKER, Attorney for Assignees of Mortgage.

**ANNOUNCEMENT.**

Having purchased the Harness and Saddlery Business of W. D. Schooley would respectfully so- licit your patronage and assure all that every effort will be made to satisfy. Give me a call at the old stand.

**GEO. W. GOFF.**



**Shoe Sense**

Is not by any means common. It pays to talk about the shoes you think of buying before you say I'll take that pair. It pays to talk about the leather in the uppers, the soles, the heels, the counters, the kind of thread used in the sewing, the linings and other minor details.

**WE HAVE SOME KNOWLEDGE**

about these things and hold it for our patrons; we are willing to talk these matters over with you, so you may understand what you are buying. You will find no shoddy in the

**LITTLE GIANT SCHOOL SHOES**

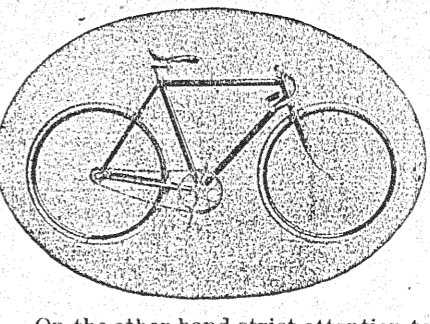
for boys and girls; every pair guaranteed free from shoddy.

**GOOD STOCK OF FURNITURE**

always on hand. Butter and eggs taken same as cash.

**S. OSTRANDER.**

I have the  
**Largest Assortment**  
of Trunks  
and  
**Valises.**  
In the  
**County**  
When in town call in and  
Look over my line.  
**E. F. MARR,**  
Pioneer Clothier.



**On The Wrong Tack**

Are bicycle buyers when they are hunting for anything but a

**Dell Bicycle**

On the other hand strict attention to business will bring its reward. We pride ourselves on the manner in which your wheel is repaired at our store, on the excellence of the work, and our promptness and attention to everything entrusted to us.

**J. D. Schenck.**

**FRASIER'S GOLDEN OIL.**

For the Immediate Relief and Permanent Cure of  
*Catarrh, Bronchitis, Coughs, Colds, Sore Throat, Asthma, Rheumatism, Severe Pains in Back, Limbs or Side, Sprains, Bruises, Burns, Diphtheria, Inflammation and Swellings, Neuralgia, Headache, Earache, Wounds and Chills.*

Twenty years of success. Sold under a guaranty to do as advertised.

AKRON, MICH., Jan. 16, 1900.  
To whom it may concern:—This is to certify that I had inflammatory rheumatism for the last four years, at times so bad that I was confined to my bed and unable to dress myself. I treated with different physicians, tried anything I could hear of being good for rheumatism with no benefit from either. When I tried Frasier's Golden Oil the effects was magical. The fifth day after I began taking it I threw away my crutches and went to work and believe myself permanently cured with but one bottle, and would heartily recommend it to all rheumatists.  
CLARK BURNES, Liveryman.

This is to certify that I am acquainted with Clark Horner and that he has been heretofore afflicted with rheumatism and believe that the above are facts.—R. B. MARSH, General Merchant. F. L. CARPENTER, Druggist.

Price \$1 per bottle, 6 bottles for \$5. Trade supplied by Wholesale Drug Houses.

**Frasier & Stone, Props.,**  
Akron, Mich.

**For Sale**

40 acres of land 5 miles from Cass City on good road. Fenced and 15 acres cleared, price \$100 on easy terms with small payment down.  
6-14-11 E. H. PINNEY.

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 TO BE AS GOOD AS THE BEST.

Pansy plants for sale, at ten cents per dozen. Mrs. McDOWELL.

**Everything New and Nobby**

and  
**Prices Right**  
at

**Tennant's Grocery.**

Butter and Eggs wanted. Goods Delivered in town. Drop in and see our fine stock.

**JAS. TENNANT**

THE FARMER'S BEST FRIEND IS THE HORSE. The horse's best friend is Holden's 48-Hour Condition Powder. It is the BEST on the market and you get 2 POUNDS for 25 CENTS.

**For Sale or Rent.**

House and two lots in Cass City.  
6-7-6 GEO. W. SEED.

Neglect is the short step so many take from a cough or cold to consumption. The early use of One Minute Cough Cure prevents consumption. It is the only harmless remedy that gives immediate results. It cures all throat and lung troubles. Children all like it and mothers endorse it. Bond's drug store