

CASS CITY ENTERPRISE.

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The trades unions of San Francisco have raised nearly \$50,000 by assessments and donations to maintain the strikes of the planing mills in their effort to gain an eight-hour working day in California.

Salt water is held to be much more effective than fresh water in putting out fires. A system of piping is now being placed in the Brooklyn navy-yard, by which water from the harbor will be carried by gravity through a large main to an electric power house.

A shipment of 100,000 young peach trees from Georgia nurseries, bound for Cape Colony and Natal, South Africa, will be made next week. They go largely into Natal, and a large number of the trees going to that country are consigned to Ladysmith. Cape Colony fruit growers get less than half of the shipment.

The Siberian railway will cross altogether thirty miles of bridges, and of these the line of Irkutsk required a large number, including such important ones as those over the Irtysh, at Orsk, 700 yards; over the Ob, at Kravskhevo, 840 yards; over the Yenissei at Krasnoyarsk, 930 yards; and over the Uda, at Nijni Udinsk, 359 yards.

An original device for evading the prohibitory law was recently unearthed by plumbers in a house in Rutland, Vt. The liquor, stored in a secret nook, was conveyed by hidden pipes to a radiator in one of the principal rooms of the house. A small faucet attached to the radiator was the means by which the liquid was drawn off for use.

Judge Clifford Smith of Cedar Falls, Ia., holds that good citizens are needed more in this country than mere voters. Therefore he refused to grant naturalization papers to several foreigners who came before him because they were unable to understand some simple questions which he put to them. "None of them could either read or write English, and the judge told them that he did not think they were as yet ready for citizenship.

A recommendation of the recent Paris conference on international copyright is that no modification of an author's work shall be made without his consent. Is not this principle morally binding after an author's death? The rapid multiplication of denominational hymn-books has led composers so materially to alter the verses used that they often express opposite tenets from those the author held. It is a serious offense to attach an author's name to a hymn so altered.

It's rank nonsense to presume that a man can't love a woman just as well if she is the daughter of a millionaire as if she were only a saleswoman, and just as silly, too, to think a woman can't be devoted to a man with a title as to one who is a motor-man, for instance. It's all in the man and it's all in the woman. There's just as much so-called love, among titles and dollars as there is among roses, and the chances are as good for permanent happiness in one case as in the other. All of which is apropos of the wedding of Miss Zimmerman with the duke of Manchester.

Henry Hagemester, treasurer of the Wisconsin Brewers' association, says beer-drinking is on the decrease in the state. The days of fortune-making in breweries has passed, and several large establishments now fail to return a fair percentage on the money invested. This condition has been brought about in large measure by increased consumption in homes. When people drink beer at home," says Mr. Hagemester, "they are satisfied when thirst is appeased. In saloons the social or treating feature makes them drink a great deal more. The result to the brewer can be easily understood."

The album habit is so strong and its expressions are so varied that little wonder ought to be felt at an account of an album in which a young woman has placed a piece of each gown she has bought, and has noted on the page the date of purchase and the time when the garment was last worn. The price also is attached, both as an encouragement and a warning. It is to be supposed. An observer of the other sex might suggest an enlargement of the album pages so as to include a summary of the miles traveled in selecting the dresses. There might be added an estimate of the total of regrets that other patterns were not preferred or different fashionings ordered. No one, of course, would cloud the pages with surmises as to the aggregate of sighs or whispers of criticism which each dress called into being.

There is yet another child prodigy in the world of music—the daughter of M. Anton Kneiser, director of the Bucharest School of Music. This young lady is now six years old, but her little fingers began to manifest a singular facility for the keyboard of the piano before she was two, while at four she had given several public performances as a pianist in the capital and several other towns of Roumania. One or two of the pieces are her own compositions. She is now in Paris, where she is to give a series of recitals.

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

The Government of Our Acquired Territory.

CHINA MUST PUNISH AND PAY.

The enormous trade of the country—Sound financial condition and general prosperity—The army—Cuba's freedom—Porto Rico's needs.

President McKinley's message takes up first the matter of the Chinese question, for which he says:

The recent troubles in China spring from the anti-foreign agitation which for the past three years has been steadily increasing in the northern provinces. Their origin lies in the character of the Chinese races and in the conditions of their government. The Taiping rebellion and the opening of the ports to foreign trade have since then disturbed alike the homogeneity and the cohesion of China.

Meantime foreign activity made itself felt in all quarters, not alone on the coast, but along the great river arteries and in the interior. The missionaries, and introducing new associations among a primitive people which had pursued for centuries a policy of isolation.

The telegraph and the railway spreading over the land, the steamers plying on their way to the interior, the penetration of the interior, became to the Chinese mind a type of alien invasion. The course of their national life and thought was being changed, and the danger of their being regarded as a people of the future, rather than of the past, was being felt.

For several years before the present troubles broke out, the Chinese government, backed by moral demonstrations of the physical forces of fleets and armies, had been endeavoring to secure respect for the treaty rights of foreigners and to obtain satisfaction from the remote provinces of their government. The policy of the United States through all this time has been to announce and scrupulously carried out.

The Russian proposition looking to the restoration of the power of Peking has been accepted as in full consonance with our own desires, for we have always been desirous to see the wrongs suffered and an enduring settlement which will make their recurrence impossible. The Chinese government, an authority which the Chinese nation reverence and obey. While so doing we have never hesitated to demand exact exemplar and deterrent punishment of the responsible authorities and other nations have suffered grievously.

For the real culprit, the evil counselors who have misled the imperial judgment and diverted the sovereign's attention from the rights of his subjects, and who have become imperative within the rational limits of retributive justice, and who have secured to their condition an acceptable settlement between China and the powers.

Taking, as a point of departure, the imperial edict appointing Earl Li Hung Chang and Prince Tuan to the task of arranging a settlement, and the edict of September 25, whereby certain high officials were relieved of their duties, the government has moved, in concert with the other powers, toward the opening of negotiations which have resulted in the Russo-American treaty for the cession of Alaska.

In this relation I may refer again to the need of definitely marking the Alaskan boundary where it follows the 141st meridian.

Turkey Will Pay.

Our claims for reparation or injuries suffered by American citizens in Armenia have been met by the Turkish government in a satisfactory settlement. His majesty's good disposition in this regard has been made manifest by the fact that he has rebuilt the American college at Harput.

The closing year has witnessed a decided strengthening of Japan's relations to other states. Her judicial and administrative functions under the treaties which took effect in 1899, and her participation in international friction, showing the competence of the Japanese to hold a foremost place in the world.

In the treatment of the difficult Chinese problems Japan has acted in harmonious cooperation with the other powers, and the joint relief of the beleaguered legations in Peking has shown the understanding preliminary to a settlement of the issues between the powers and China.

Peace Convention.

It is with a gratification that I am able to announce the formal ratification at the Hague, on September 4, of the deposit of the ratifications of the provisions of the settlement of international disputes by arbitration. It is the result of the efforts of sixteen powers, namely, the United States, France, Germany, Italy, Persia, Portugal, Roumania, Russia, Spain, Sweden and Switzerland. The convention also has since ratified the convention.

The Canal.

The all-important matter of an international convention to settle the question of the canal through the Isthmus of Panama, which has been the subject of so much controversy, has been terminated by the agreement of the United States and the Republic of Panama, which has been signed and ratified by the United States.

Exposition.

The year of the exposition has been fruitful in occasions for displaying the good will which exists between this country and France. This great competition brought together from every part of the world the products of the industry, science, and the arts, submitted in generous rivalry to a judgment made by the people of the world. The extraordinary increase of exports from this country and the activity with which our inventors and workers have been engaged, and the great encouragement was given to the industry of the world.

all, being the greatest total number given to the exhibitors of any exhibition in the world. This significant recognition of the Chinese exhibits was the result of the fact that the Chinese exhibits of all other nations and at the hands of juries almost wholly made up of Americans. The Chinese exhibits were not only most gratifying, but especially valuable, since they showed the kind of educational questions of supply and demand, while the large proportion of awards in the various departments, afforded the outside world the first things that the inmates of the legations were still alive and having recently arrived.

This news stimulated the preparations for a joint relief expedition in numbers sufficient to overcome the respect which for a month had been organizing from Taku and the capital, Remonstrance sent to the opening governments were constantly arriving. The United States contingent, hastily assembled from the Philippines or dispatched from this country, amounted to some 5,000 men, under the able command of the late admiral, Col. Liscum and afterward of Gen. Chaffee.

The Innocents.

Happily, the acute disturbances were confined to the northern provinces. It is a relief to recall and a pleasure to record the loyal conduct of the southern and central provinces. Their efforts were continuously directed to the maintenance of order and the scrupulous observance of foreign treaty rights. The innocent people did not hesitate to memorialize the throne, urging the protection of the legations, the restoration of the power of Peking, and the maintenance of the imperial authority against the subversive elements. They maintained order and the scrupulous observance of foreign treaty rights. Their kindly disposition is largely to be ascribed to the influence of the missionaries, and the vast populations under their rule and to the scrupulous observance of foreign treaty rights.

Britain and the Boers.

Our friendly relations with Great Britain continue to be of the most cordial. A condition unusual in international war has prevailed in the South African Republic, which should be added, against which certificates subject to issue, against which the British government has issued gold certificates and bullion, making a total holding of free gold amounting to \$98,047,373.10.

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It is gratifying also to note that during the year 1900 there was a considerable reduction in the expenditures of the government. The war department expenditures for the fiscal year 1900 were \$19,747,078, a reduction of \$55,066,486.63 over those of 1899. In the navy department the expenditures for the fiscal year 1900 were \$12,923,214.25, a decrease of \$7,389,020.53. In the expenditures for the civil and miscellaneous departments there was a decrease in 1900 over 1899 of \$2,630,407.35, and in the civil and miscellaneous expenses for 1900 there was a reduction of \$2,148,065.71.

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Good will prevails in our relations with the German empire. An amicable adjustment of the long-pending question of the admission of our life insurance companies to do business in Prussia has been reached. One of the principal companies has already been re-admitted and the way is opened for the others to share the privilege.

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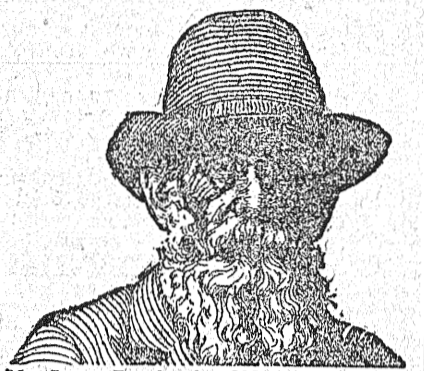
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CHAPTER VIII.—(Continued.)

She fully believed in her own reasoning. Harvey was not so confident. He did not understand Mrs. Atherton's silence and complete withdrawal from the scene of action, and Phoebe's passivity was incomprehensible. Secretly he was dissatisfied with the position in which he was placed toward his mother, and there were hours when he longed for the old loving confidence that once seemed unassailable.

Helen was quick to detect these moods, and almost as quick to dissipate them. An artful word, the narration of an incident that put Gladys in the gain of an oppressor, and his spirit again rose rebelliously. He was not a boy in leading strings, to be imposed upon and held in check even by his mother—not he! Not he, indeed! echoed Helen. And he held himself very erect as he caught Delilah's cajoling look, poor Harvey, and thought himself a fine, independent fellow.

Meanwhile, Gladys was undergoing one of the revisions of feeling that are inevitable with mercurial persons who enjoy or suffer keenly. After having for years considered only others, she now thought little of anything save herself, and the plans, lately decided upon, that would perhaps revolutionize her life, and she and her two servants were busy every hour that she might the sooner carry them out.

Slighted love will enable any proud woman to free herself from a bondage of the affections, and Gladys was harder in her pride than most, for her character was not free from an alloy of vanity. After a few days of unrestrained grief, she rose, one morning, pale but cheerful, resolved to cast Harvey from the innermost shrine of her heart, and give him the place he had voluntarily chosen. From that moment life took on a new aspect for her, and slowly, but surely, the past began to recede into the night of things forgotten.

In the flush of her new hopes and schemes she seemed more like the girl of old than she had for years. She laughed and sang, and darted about her rooms like a hummingbird, Phoebe said, delight in her eyes. She could not understand the suddenness and the completeness of the change; there was no mercury in honest Tomlinson's mental make up; but she dimly comprehended that after an age of self-suppression Gladys' free self was coming to the surface, and a new era of feeling had begun.

One day Helen received the long-expected summons to Mrs. Atherton's room. She was glad it had come at last; nothing would be gained by idle talk, but when everything was explained and definitely understood, life would be pleasanter to all concerned. Harvey missed his mother, and for policy's sake a reconciliation was desirable; it could be easily effected, now that Gladys had indicated a wish to come to terms. And she obeyed the summons promptly, determined to bring the interview to a successful issue as soon as possible.

She expected to find Mrs. Atherton pale and weak, with the inertia of an invalid; but Gladys' convalescence had been rapid, and she looked even better than she had before her illness. She was fully dressed, and Amette had arranged her hair in the latest style, which chanced to be especially becoming to her delicate beauty. Even Helen felt that it was absurd to affect to consider this radiant woman feeble or incapable.

"I was not prepared to find you so well, she said rather awkwardly, when the greetings were over.

"No? Oh, I am quite myself again; the rest has done me good, and smoothed away inelegant wrinkles," answered Gladys. Her tone was conventional, as if she addressed an acquaintance. "I suppose you know why I have sent for you?"

An old feeling of doubt kept Helen silent. She was no longer sure that she did know. This fashionably dressed woman, with the superficial cordiality of manner that holds others aloof more surely than the coldest reserve, seemed a stranger to her. She felt she was not of her world, and the thought gave her an uncomfortable sense of insecurity.

"There seems to be a little difficulty about the household keys," Gladys resumed. "I understand that you wish to deliver them to me in person."

"Yes, if you have fully decided to claim them," said Helen, quickly.

"But I hope, as does my husband, that you will leave them in my hands. I am sure you will approve of my methods if you take the trouble to look into them."

"I detest petty details, as you know. You have been very kind to interest yourself in my affairs during my illness, and I hope you will oblige me further by accepting this check for \$500." Gladys carelessly pushed the scrap of paper toward her caller and smiled as Helen, with involuntary eagerness, took possession of it, murmuring her thanks. "This closes the matter as far as I am concerned—that is, when you return the keys."

CHAPTER IX.

Helen paused a few moments before answering.

"I really do not feel justified in resigning them until we have talked the subject thoroughly over, Mrs. Atherton, and come to an understanding concerning our general future. This should have been done when my hus-

sary, and count for nothing in his life, I intend to take myself out of it."

"A man should forsake all others and cleave to his wife," said Helen, piously.

Do you know I fancy you worshipful wives construe that passage rather too literally?" said Gladys, in the half philosophical, half mocking way Helen found new in her, and which held her at an impassable distance. "No one will deny that when a man marries a woman he should forsake all other strange women, and keep to the one he has chosen, or who has chosen him; but there is no reason why he should forsake his kindred of either sex. This Harvey seems to have done, however, and he cannot complain when the forsaken follow his lead."

"And is it possible that you have so little natural affection for your only son that you can coolly leave him to poverty while you, his mother, are rolling in wealth?"

"Fustian again, Helen. Twelve hundred dollars a year is not poverty. In Rockville it is a competence. You are an excellent housekeeper; you managed your father's house on much less."

The color deepened in Helen's face; her father's limited means had always been a sore spot with her. Her good sense, however, told her that it would be unwise to lose her temper.

"You will make Harvey an allowance? You surely do not expect us to live on his salary?"

"I expect nothing; I advise nothing. I have not the right, for henceforth I shall do nothing unless he should come to real want, which is almost impossible. The events of the past year have convinced me that it is better for him to depend upon himself, and work for the money you both so much desire. With your help he may eventually become a rich man. At the worst, the struggle will be morally strengthening."

There was no longer any indifference in Mrs. Atherton's tone. She spoke seriously, without anger, yet firmly, as one who through reasoning had reached a just and unalterable decision.

"It is true I have money enough and to spare. But the lonely days I have endured since Harvey's marriage have suggested a probability long ago discarded—that of my own. In view of it, you can readily understand why, even were there no other reason, I prefer to keep control of my property."

Helen's face was a study. Gladys' arguments were unanswerable, but she could not, would not, believe that her own cause was lost.

"I will bring Harvey to you," she said faintly. "This affair cannot be settled between you and me. There are other things to be considered."

"Do as you please; but my resolve, precipitated by your own action, is taken. However, as I leave early in the morning, perhaps I'd better bid my son good-by tonight. There is no need of your being present at the interview. I prefer to see him alone."

"That you may poison his mind against me," cried Helen, instantly on the defensive. "No, Mrs. Atherton, I will not trust you with my dear husband. God, who reads all hearts, knows I have tried to do my duty only. That I have blundered is because I have been treacherously dealt with. But I will fight for his rights to the last."

"Be careful; you know not what you may do," replied Gladys, earnestly.

"I will, at least, try to undo the evil I have done," said Helen, a break in her voice, and then she was gone, and Gladys, with a fluttering heart, awaited her return with Harvey. A great deal was upon her; she felt that the hour she had foreseen all her life was near at hand, and the sacrifice of years had availed nothing.

(To be continued.)

IMPERIAL TROPHY,

Chinese Emperor's "Black Eng" Was Bought for a Trifle.

Capt. Potts of the Maxim company of the Hongkong volunteer corps has just secured an extraordinary trophy of war—nothing less than the Order of the Black Eagle, set with precious stones, which the German emperor sent out by Prince Henry to the Emperor of China. He has also the autograph letter from the Kaiser which accompanied the decoration. The lucky captain obtained this remarkable relic of war in a quite haphazard fashion, says the London Mail. Recently at Tientsin he came across some Russian soldiers who had been present at the looting of Peking. One of the Russians had the rarely bestowed order among his share of the loot, but he was too ignorant to recognize its great value. Capt. Potts had no difficulty in arriving at the correct conclusion when he set eyes on the insignia and the Emperor William's letter, and for a trifling sum he secured possession of the two. When the captain arrived at Shanghai and exhibited his prize the German consul said that he must take charge of it, but Capt. Potts declined to do so. He said that he was not at all anxious to sell and put a fabulous price on the trophy. The consul immediately cabled to Berlin for instructions and Capt. Potts is now calmly awaiting the reply.

Emmanuel and Queen Margherita.

It has been stated lately that a coolness has arisen between King Victor Emmanuel and his mother, Queen Margherita, owing to the economy that he has seen fit to exercise since he came to the throne. The rumor is said to be contrary to fact, for not only does Queen Margherita approve of her son's action, but she is glad to see him following the example of his father, whom she greatly aided in effecting many economies at the court at the beginning of his reign.

Women Suffer to Retain Beauty.

Nowadays the profession of the beauty doctors ought to be a very lucrative one, when every woman considers it her duty as well as pleasure to keep young and youthful looking as long as possible—and sometimes longer. Many are the wonderful skin and wrinkle cures, some of them extremely painful, which these seekers after beauty undergo with wonderful heroism, the result in many cases justifying the suffering; but, unfortunately, the result is always in doubt, as even the beauty doctor will tell her patients, and to endure the pain and discomfort of having a new skin provided for one, only to find that it is no improvement upon the old, must be bitter indeed, especially as the fee for this particular process is a very large one.

New Theory of Galveston's Ruins.

It is believed by the engineers who are repairing the Galveston-Mexico cable, which was broken by the Galveston hurricane, that the storm was accompanied by a submarine eruption. The evidence of this eruption is found in the twisted condition of the cable. The sheathing is found to have been reversed, and the wires binding it to the core turned the wrong way.

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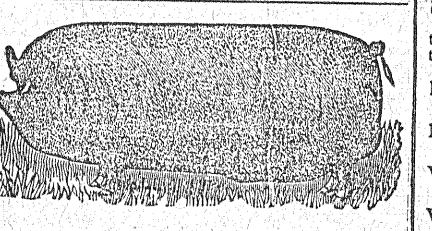
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Mrs. R. S. Beebe has returned from an extended visit with relatives at Flint.

Miss Flossie Smith, who has been at tending school at Flint, is spending a few weeks with her parents at Elmwood.

Revival meetings were begun at the Elmwood M. P. Church Sunday evening. Rev. J. Mulholland expects to be assisted by other ministers.

Miss Emma Dudenhofer, of Detroit, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Dudenhofer.

Thomas McCready is in very poor health.

Mr. and Mrs. Kelley have moved into H. Guild's house.

Alfred Rochleau is home from East Jordan.

Frank Wright is repairing the house recently vacated by Mr. Kelley and will soon begin housekeeping.

D. E. Turner received another thoroughbred last week from Des Moines. It was on the road nine days.

Henry Dodge and Amos Bears are home from their hunting trip and report plenty of game and a good time.

Miss Ida Compton is sewing for Mrs. John Jackson.

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F. Kinietz's moved into their new house last Wednesday.

Miss Lizette Parker is nursing a felon these days.

Miss L. Mayes Sundayed with her parents at Grassmere.

Mrs. Emma Brackenbury and son, of Bay Port, are visiting friends and relatives here.

James Brackenbury and John Wettlaufer did business in Cass City Thursday.

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M. D. Mills' sale at Novesta went off smoothly and truck sold well.

Joshua Sole has sold his 40 acres on Sec. 10, Kingston, to Geo. Alward, of Burlington, Lapeer county. Mr. Alward is a brother-in-law of Jake Hilderbrand.

There is trouble between John Hornor and Chas. Chaffield in regard to settling personal property belonging to Margaret Horner deceased, nee Margaret Chaffield.

Mrs. Wills, of Detroit, who has been visiting friends here has gone back to Detroit.

J. D. Funk has been caring for a sick horse the past week.

The hunting season is over as far as birds are concerned. Still we hear guns. Scaring rabbits, I guess.

Frank Wethy continues to improve in health.

DeWitt Lowe and Edmund Sweet have traded farms and will exchange domiciles to-day (Monday).

Mrs. McArthur, one-half mile north of here, is recovering from her sickness.

Mary, wife of Wm. Retherford, is sick with malarial fever.

Roads are bad, but we expect it in open winters.

John Nye is building a new fence in front of his premises.

Howard Retherford and family have returned to the farm after about a year's absence in Detroit and on the evening of the 4th inst about fifty friends gave them a surprise in the shape of a welcome back to their rural home. Visiting and eating sweetmeats was the order till the clock talked twelve then all went to their own homes in cheery mood.

Charles Landon, who was monarch of all he surveyed on the "Barron Ridge farm" for a season, smiles on us no more. And we learn that he has taken the smile from the countenance of a Cass City banker also. Sold property on which the man of "lucre" held a mortgage to the amount of \$100. Such acts are not smart but the meanest kind of wickedness for he not only beat the man he owed but injured every other man that needs an accommodation.

Fred Valentine has gone to Bay City to take care of his brother, Oliver, who is sick there.

Young man, are you starting out in life to do business for yourself? If so you will be reaching out at times, in other words it may be necessary for you to get some credit and if you are sober, industrious and prudent and cannot meet the obligation there will be no trouble to get an extension of time. But if your creditor learns that you are loafing at the saloon or hears your voice in the billiard hall he will begin to get uneasy and your trouble will begin. Now boys, don't laugh at this homespun advice, for it is as solid as the rocks of Gibraltar.

Well, "Ping," men of all political colors are popping it to you. Yes, giving it to you from the shoulder. Now, all honest parties have a right to give you a smack, and they may even think you "got some of the pork," but your own party should strike light, for you have over told the people you are a republican and doing business on republican principles of the present age. In your noted Buffalo speech when you declared that all the rascals were in the republican fold some good people thought you converted at heart and invited you to join an honest party. Your answer was "I am a republican." You have now demonstrated it to the world that you spoke truth and lied not. You are indeed a republican of the modern type and your deeds will live in story.

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Shabbona.
Herman Fakin has an auction sale of his household goods Saturday, Dec. 15th.

W. F. Ehlers was in Detroit last week ordering Christmas goods.

James Ryckman and two children, Iva and Ray, left Thursday for a visit to Mr. R's parents in Orwell, Ont.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Colwell and Mrs. L. Palmateer are visiting their old home in Northumberland county, Ont.

Mrs. Keyworth and daughter, Libbia, are spending the winter with Mrs. Joo. Parrott.

Geo. Fisher has returned home from Flint.

Mrs. A. E. Phillips is having her house plastered.

Willing Workers met at T. H. Travis' Tuesday.

Kingston

Chas. E. Baker ships a new set of bob sleighs and a new set of wagon wheels to A. Salgeon, of Cass City, this week.

The Misses Lettie Bothman and Mary Griffin, accompanied by Justin Newman, were the guests of Caro friends on Saturday and Sunday.

E. L. Hill left on Monday to act as agent for an insurance company in Illinois. He will write fire, lightning and cyclone insurance. The company has been corresponding with him for some time and he has finally decided to accept their offer.

J. B. Beverley recently added a well grown kitten to his live stock and since that time has been greatly amused at the friendship which has sprung up between the kitten and his horse. The feline reposes upon the back of the equine and walks about its head in a sort of a go-as-you-please style with an air of indifference to the horse, who, on the other hand appears uneasy if the kitten cannot be seen. The kitten has also attempted to become friendly with the cow which occupies the same stable, but she evidently does not believe in reciprocity and makes no demonstration of affection.

County School Commissioner, P. G. Davis, of Mayville, was in town on Tuesday, going from here to Deford and other points in the county north.

Miss Ethel Jeffery has returned from Deford and is again in the employ of I. S. Berman.

C. F. McGeorge, of the elevators, has rented a portion of the Jas. Van Wagoner residence, occupied by Geo. Hall, and Mrs. McGeorge arrived from Cass City on Tuesday morning. They will make the best of the situation until a house can be secured.

Johnnie Baxter was mixed up in a runaway on Monday, and 'tis said that for a time nothing but his heels could be seen, but he seems to have come through none the worse for wear.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred L. Clark visited friends at Clifford on Tuesday.

How about the matter of the improvement of the roads leading into town? Have you given it the consideration it deserves and talked it over with your neighbors and friends? If not, don't lose any time in doing so. We know of nothing that will so advance the interests of the locality generally as the establishing of a thoroughly good system of roadways.

The Kingston Dairy Company is already beginning to plan for the successful operation of the creamery next season, and it is to be hoped they will receive the unstinted co-operation of the farmers of the entire district. The members of the company have done all in their power to put the business of the concern on a strictly solid and fair basis and although they found matters hard to overcome last year they have persisted until the sentiment seems to be turning in their favor. We understand that the Farmers Club has been discussing the matter of late and the decision seems always to favor the patronage of the creamery. The annual meeting will be held next month and the milk routes arranged as soon as possible thereafter.

The holiday season is upon us and although the roads are somewhat rough and without snow, our merchants have been made to realize that Christmas time is near by the inclination of their customers to inspect those lines of goods usually sold at that season, and in many cases purchases have already been made and carefully labeled and laid away for use at the joyous occasion of a home Christmas tree, or to be presented in a more public manner at the Sunday school tree, but always evidencing the fact that the recipient is remembered in a kindly way by the donor. Let us all remember the Scriptural teaching that it is more blessed to give than receive, and in following out the precept we shall find a greater joy and pleasure than could be ours otherwise. The spirit of selfishness is the curse of humanity and we will profit by the cultivation of the spirit of giving, even though we may not be able to lavish costly gifts upon our friends. The gift may be the most simple and inexpensive but given in the right spirit will be thankfully received and bless both donor and receiver. Our merchants have tried to select presents that will be both useful and pleasing and will be pleased to show you the various lines. Your home dealers deserve your patronage in preference to these of other towns, and your purchases at home will manifest your appreciation of their efforts to advance the interests of the community, and be a gift to them highly prized.

Brave Men Fall

Victims to stomach, liver and kidney troubles as well as women, and all feel the results in loss of appetite, poisons in the blood, backache, nervousness, headache and sleepless, run-down feeling. But there's no need to feel like that. J. W. Gardner, of Jayville, Ind., says: "Electric Bitters are just the thing for a man who don't care whether he lives or dies. It gave me new strength and good appetite. I can now eat anything and have no new lease on life. Only 50 cents at T. H. Fritz's Drug Store. Every bottle guaranteed. F. A. Francis, Kingston, Kingston, Ont.

JUST SAVED HIS LIFE

It was a thrilling escape that Charles Davis of Bowerston, O., lately had from a frightful death. For two years a severe lung trouble constantly grew worse until it seemed he must die of consumption. Then he began to use Dr. King's New Discovery and lately wrote: "I gave instant relief" and effected a permanent cure." Such wonderful cures have for 25 years, proven its power to cure all Throat, Chest and Lung troubles. Price 50c. and \$1.00. Every bottle guaranteed. Trial bottles free at T. H. Fritz's drug store, Cass City, F. A. Francis, Kingston, Ont.

BANNER SALVE

the most healing salve in the world.

Ellington

Miss Bertha Peters had another operation on her foot last week.

Mrs. Henry Peters, who has been sick for some days past, is no better.

Mrs. Geo. Fisher, who was taken sick last week, is gaining, being up around the house.

One of the Parkers, living on J. F. Seeley's farm, has rented C. V. Gould's farm and moved upon it.

Cyrus V. Gould's wife has left him and was moved by her father to his home in Almer.

Mrs. Vaughn, who has lived for several years upon John Schriver's farm, on Sec. 21, has moved upon the Orr farm.

William Campbell, whose wife has been visiting with relatives in Sanilac county for some weeks, has now gone after her and expects to bring her back with him. Wm. is tired living without her.

The Ellington M. E. Church has been in the hands of the carpenter and masons for sometime being repaired and it will be sometime yet before it is completed.

Mr. R. Gray, who lives near Amenia, Dutchess county, N. Y., says Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is the best medicine I have ever used. It is a fine children's remedy and never fails to cure. When given as soon as the child becomes hoarse or even after the coughing cough is developed, it will prevent the attack. This should be borne in mind and a bottle of the Cough Remedy kept at hand ready for instant use as soon as these symptoms appear. Bond's Drug Store.

Freelburgers.

Ed. Styles went to Pigeon on business Thursday last.

A. C. Graham went to Brown City Saturday of last week.

Jonnie Hunt has returned home from Elkton, where he has been pressing hay.

There was a dance at John Patterson's last Thursday evening. All report a good time.

Miss Ida Pollard went to Bentley Thursday last, where she will spend the holidays with her brother.

Mrs. George Rehl had a wood bee Thursday last.

The literary society opened up last Wednesday evening and elected officers for the ensuing year--Pres, A. Hunt; sec, Bob Marshall; treas, C. Ward. They hold their meetings every Wednesday evening at the school house.

Among the tens of thousands who have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for colds and a gripe during the past few years, to our knowledge, not a single case has resulted in pneumonia. Thos. Whitfield & Co., 240 Wabash avenue, Chicago, one of the most prominent retail druggists in that city, in speaking of this, says: "We recommend Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for a gripe in many cases, as it not only gives prompt and complete recovery, but also counteracts any tendency of a gripe to result in pneumonia. Bond's Drug Store.

Dayton.

The Misses Georgia and Evelyn Banhart were home from Caro Sunday.

Rev. Scott, of Mayville, has begun a series of revival meetings at the West Dayton school house.

A number of friends and relatives met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Kelley last Wednesday and gave them a very pleasant surprise. Being the occasion of the fortieth anniversary of their wedding day. Mrs. Joseph Pulkerson, of Ontario, a sister of Mrs. Kelley, was also present.

Miss Millie Kelley was very pleasantly surprised last Friday evening by a number of her young friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Putnam visited their daughter, Mrs. Jonathan Berry, of Wells, Sunday.

Wm. Kelley and family, of Novesta, spent Thanksgiving day in Dayton.

If the average man would look himself square in the eye, he would see at once that he needs Rocky Mountain Tea. A priceless boon to man. 35c. Ask your druggist?

The most effective little liver pills made are DeWitt's Little Early Risers. They never gripe. Bond's Drug Store.

Linkville.

Mrs. Amos Schweitzer is on the sick list.

Mrs. C. Link visited Pigeon friends Sunday.

Mike Barnhardt, who spent a week at home has returned to Bad Axe.

Miss Edith Nafine, who has been employed in Kilmannagh for some time, is home at present.

Walter Crouch and family, who have been visiting his brother here, left Monday for their home.

Miss Mary Witt, of this place, and Mr. Mitchell were united in marriage last Wednesday. They will reside near Hayes for the winter.

W. C. JANKS.

In season. All kinds of cured meats.

IF ITS MONEY YOU WANT

To save come to the BIG BANKRUPT CLOTHING SALE. We make no idle boasts or promises but we save you something on every purchase made here be it large or small.

Do you need a SUIT or OVERCOAT? You will never have a better chance to supply your wants than the present.

\$5, 7.50 and \$9
Gives you the pick of a long range of serviceable all wool suits that are strictly up-to-date in every respect. Men's U'sters.....2.98 to 10.00 Men's Overcoats.....2.50 to 10.00 Boys' Overcoats.....1.50 to 5.00

Fur Overcoats
At the lowest prices ever named. We can suit you and fit you in price as well as size.

UNDERWEAR, OVERSHIRTS and GLOVES at the lowest prices ever named. Get your wants supplied before the assortments are too badly broken.

B. Himelhoch & Co

Old Fairweather Store. C. L. Bostwick, Mgr. Cass City.

Catch it Quick
100 Acres with some green timber, one mile from Shabbona, for sale at \$8 per acre. \$250 down, balance easy terms. MCKENZIE & Co., Cass City, Mich.

DON'T BE FOOLED!
The market is being flooded with worthless imitations of ROCKY MOUNTAIN TEA... To protect the public we call special attention to our trademark, printed on every package. Demand the genuine. For Sale by all Druggists.

Light Brahmas and Partridge Cochins

All ages, male and female For Sale Cheap. S. F. Bigelow.

Watch for Bargains

AT MRS. M. L. MOORE'S

All Trimmed Hats Street Hats and Caps at big reduction.

Caps from 5c up Ready Trimmed Hats 50c up

We also carry a complete line of Embroidery Material, Infants' Cloaks, Ladies Wrappers, Shirt Waists, Dressing Suits, Skirts and Underwear. We are also prepared to do Dress Making and Plain Sewing.

Give us a call.

MRS. M. L. MOORE

First-class double heater stove (wood) for sale. Now in use at this office.

FOR SALE--80 acre farm 5 miles from Cass City, Mich. all fenced. Price \$1800. Terms reasonable. E. H. PINNEY.

FOR SALE--14 acres in Elmwood township; new brick house, good barn; all cleared. Good brick house and twenty acres just south of Cass City. Price \$700, easy terms. E. H. PINNEY.

FOR SALE--40 acre farm within 10 miles of Cass City, Mich. all fenced. Price \$1200. Terms reasonable. E. H. PINNEY.

FOR SALE--Black work mare. 14 h. high. 7-26. Terms. Enquire of E. H. PINNEY.

80 ACRES, sec. 16, Ewingtown; 40 acres cleared; house and stable; price, \$1200. E. H. PINNEY.

MONEY to loan at six per cent on real estate. E. H. PINNEY.

STRAYED--Into my enclosure, on the county line, two miles north of Novesta Corners, on Dec. 6th, seven head of cattle. Owners will please come, prove property, pay costs and take away. JOHN C. LANG.

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 November, in the year one thousand nine hundred and eleven, the following: Judge of Probate, in the matter of the estate of George W. Boughton, deceased. Emily E. Boughton, the administratrix of said estate having filed in this Court her final administration account. It is ordered, that the 17th day of December next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at the Probate office in the Village of Caro, Michigan, be 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. LANG, Judge of Probate.

Juicy Tender Meats

The best the market affords. New enough to be fresh, but killed long enough to be tender.

Game, Fish and Oysters

In season. All kinds of cured meats.

W. C. JANKS.

LAUREL COPY.

What about that Present For Her?

Let us suggest "Somedings" from our "Ready for Christmas" Stock.

Chrysolite, Granite Ware twenty-five useful articles

Food Choppers Does away with Mincing Bowl

SAVORY ROASTERS, SEAMLESS.

Scissors, one brand Warranted.

Door Bells, Electric Results.

FOR HIM

Shaving Brush, A BRUSH not a mop.

Pocket Knives, Fancy and Heavier, forty Styles.

RAZOR STROPS.

WHAT! Nothing here, Well you just call and see.

N. Bigelow & Son They sell Hardware



If you eat the BREAD and CAKES made from WHITE LILY FLOUR its as good as the best and we take especial care to have it PURE and WHOLESOME. Always ask for WHITE LILY and take no other. Manufactured at

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C. W. HELLER, PROPRIETOR.

Hardware Dept.

We are giving lowest prices on the following:
Steel Ranges, Cast Ranges, Cast Iron Heaters, Granite ware, Nickle Teapots, Nickle Kettles, Copper Boilers, Anti-rust Boilers, Ball bearing Wringers, Shot Guns, Rifles, Hunting Coats, Sash, Glass and House Doors.
Washing Machines at 3.50 to 8.00

Dry Goods Dept.

Satins, Broad Cloths and Cassimeres.
Waists,50c to 4.00. Ladies' Jackets 4.00 to 7.00
Ladies' Capes 2.00 to 7.00. Embroideries, Lace, Ribbons also have special values in Remnants.

Shoe Department,

Julia Marlowe Ladies' Shoes, 3.00 to 3.25
Ladies' Soft Finish Shoes, 1.25 to 1.50
Ladies' Glove Grain Shoes, 1.00 to 1.75
A large supply of Men's Shoes, Ladies' Rubbers and Gents' Rubber Foot wear.

J. L. HITCHCOCK.

WINDOWS, DOORS AND SHINGLES.

If you are building or intending to build, you will need Windows, Doors and Shingles. If you will give us a chance to figure with you we are sure we can save you money. We have a number of good floors on hand which we can sell dirt cheap

Don't Fail to see us

Before closing your Contract with anyone else.

Landon, Eno & Keating.

Fabrics, Style, Fit and Cut Perfect.

That's the way we turn out Clothes.

The best Dressed Men in Town Patronize us

WILSON HARRISON, THE TAILOR, Cass City.

Arrive

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Boughner last week Tuesday, a son.

Mrs. D. Hutchinson, from near Cass City, is helping to take care of her sister, Mrs. J. H. Stovenson, who is quite seriously ill.

Mrs. John McPhail and sister, Miss Ethel Bond, were in Cass City last Saturday.

Wesley Maskell is visiting friends in Port Sanilac.

Ladies' Aid met with Mrs. Ida Little last week Wednesday.

Mrs. Henry Davis, of Evergreen, was in town last Sunday.

Mrs. McNaughton, Miss Fulmer and Mrs. A. King spent Thursday evening with Mrs. A. McLachlin.

Mrs. James McQueen, from Hay Creek, was in town last Thursday.

Arthur Frost, son of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Frost, of this place, was shot in the left side, by an old soldier, who was committing suicide, at Fort Sheridan, Illinois. Arthur belongs to the fifth infantry, Company G. and is bugler.

Miss Fulmer, who has been visiting her sister and other friends for some time, expects to leave for her home in Buffalo Tuesday of this week. She will be accompanied by her niece, Miss Helen King, who expects to spend the winter in Buffalo.

The school library arrived last Thursday.

At the L. O. T. M. review last Thursday afternoon, officers were elected for the ensuing year. The commander treated the ladies to popcorn and an enjoyable time was had.

There will be a Christmas tree in the Scully schoolhouse southeast of here.

Mary Hutson visited at her home south of here last Sunday.

Miss Emma Bare visited her parents last Sunday.

Ed Striffler was in Cass City last week Wednesday.

A. McLachlin and A. King attended quarterly conference at Uby last Saturday.

Dan McNaughton took Mr. and Mrs. Graybill and Miss Mary to Cass City last Sunday, from where they expect to take the train for West Branch, their future home. Their many friends here are sorry to see them go but wish them success in their new home.

Mrs. C. D. Peterhans received a letter from her sister, Mrs. Ed. Friend, of Chicago, who is quite seriously ill. Mrs. Friend's friends here will be sorry to hear of her illness.

A fine display of holiday goods in Striffler Bros. and Mrs. Umphrey's show windows.

Mrs. D. D. McNaughton and Mrs. W. D. Striffler raised money by subscription last week to get a dinner set for Rev. Oridland and family. The people responded very liberally and no trouble was had in raising the amount.

DeWitt's Little Early Risers are daily little pills, but they never fail to cleanse the liver, remove obstructions and invigorate the system. Bond's Drug Store.

Bond's Drug Store guarantees every bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and will refund the money to anyone who is not satisfied after using two-thirds of the contents. This is the best remedy in the world for la grippe, coughs, colds, croup and whooping cough and is pleasant and safe to take. It prevents any tendency of a cold to result in pneumonia.

Rescue.

O. P. Knapp has quit building operations until spring.

Will Burnham passed through town last Saturday, northward bound.

Quite a few of our residents are contemplating a visit to Canada during the Christmas holidays.

A few of the farmers are threshing their corn, making a good job of it as the corn is husked and shelled at the same time. The stocks are all torn into fragments, greatly improving the feeding qualities.

Saturday evening will be the regular election of officers for Beany's Tent, 854, K. O. T. M. The boys are justly proud of their record as a Tent. Organized seven years ago with twelve members they now number fifty-four. In the seven years seven members have stood suspended up to date. No death claim nor any disability claims. Just now some of the members are on the Pacific coast, some in Ohio and some scattered all over the country. At times it is hard to get a dozen members together and again the boys get home and the room is full. The present finance keeper and record keeper are entering upon their fifth year at the work.

\$1000 WORTH OF GOOD

A. H. Thurness of Wills Creek Coal Co., Buffalo, O., writes: I have been afflicted with kidney and bladder trouble for years, passing gravel or stones, with excruciating pain. Other medicines only gave relief. After taking Foley's Kidney Cure the result was surprising. A few doses started the brick dust, the fine stones etc., and now I have no pain across my kidneys and I feel like a new man. Foley's Kidney Cure has done me \$1000 worth of good. Write for details.

H. H. Fritz, Cass City, F. A. Francis, Kingston.

DYSPEPTICIDE
The greatest aid to DIGESTION.

Arrive

Hon. T. W. Atwood is repairing his house.

Frank Briggs has gone to Vassar to work at carpenter work.

Miss Anna Goodchild is working for Mrs. F. Stocum, of Caro.

Misses Jessie and Edith Smith were Caro callers on Saturday.

Miss Latona King, of Akron, spent last week with Almer friends.

Chas. Bills and wife spent Wednesday with D. E. Sheldon and family.

Ed. Bills and Wallace Knowland are working for Chas. Montague on Sec. 16.

Mrs. Maggie McAkron and daughter, Lucina, are spending the winter at Mr. Eger's.

Col. Montague is adding some new sheds to his already extensive farm buildings.

Rastus Marr's daughter and her husband have moved in with the old people for the winter.

The main roads leading into Caro are in terrible shape, on account of wet weather and the heavy loads of beets drawn over them.

The teacher and scholars of the Brown school will have a Christmas tree on Saturday evening, Dec. 22nd. Recitations and music are on the program and a general good time is looked for.

To Cure a Cold in one day
Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature on each box. 25c.

THE BEST PLASTER

A piece of flannel dampened with Chamberlain's Pain Balm and bound to affected parts is superior to any plaster. When troubled with lame back or pains in the side or chest, give it a trial and you are certain to be more than pleased with the prompt relief which it affords. Pain Balm also cures rheumatism. One application gives relief. Bond's Drug Store.

Karr's Corners.

John Battel is numbered among the sick.

Mrs. Jerome Karr is very ill with paralysis, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Chas. Karr.

Mrs. Ben Loomis visited at Warren Tuttle's Thursday.

Moses Karr visited at M. C. Tanner's Sunday.

Marcus Karr and family contemplates moving to Caro in the near future.

Mrs. Mary Phillips, who has been the guest of her mother for the past week, returned home Saturday.

Mrs. Walter Marks is visiting at Rev. Palmer Karr's at present.

Palmer Karr and Chas. Evans returned from a trip to the northern part of the state last week.

Mrs. Jno. Karr visited at Chas. Karr's Sunday.

The Ladies' Aid of Bethel Church will meet at the church at one o'clock Thursday afternoon for the purpose of making up a box to send to the home missionary fund.

There is going to be a Christmas tree at Bethel Christmas night. All invited.

When you need a soothing and healing antiseptic application for any purpose, use the original DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, a well known cure for piles and skin diseases. It heals sores without leaving a scar. Beware of counterfeits. Bond's Drug Store.

Other remedies only alleviate the symptoms of dyspepsia, in indigestion. Dr. Royal Ford's Dyspeptic Cure attacks the root of the disease, and thus makes a healthy stomach that will perform all its functions perfectly. T. H. Fritz, Cass City. F. A. Francis, Kingston.

Pingree

Mrs. Stone visited Mrs. Chambers on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. VanAuton, from Lansing, are moving to this place.

The ditchers have all agreed to dig a ditch or canal, called Pingree canal.

Charley Bond returned home Saturday from the north, where he has been hunting deer. He shot three.

Bert Whaley and — attended the meeting Sunday night.

Robert Agar, who has been laid up for the last five weeks with an injured leg, was not recovering Saturday and Dr. Deming did not give any hope.

The Agar Bros. immediately summoned Drs. Simenton and McCrae from Marlette and seeing what a state the leg was in they removed it three inches below the knee, the next day about ten o'clock. Dr. Simenton and Dr. Deming returned Monday. But Mr. Agar is very low. He has the sympathy of the entire community. The Marlette Drs. will continue to attend him.

Cold and cough cures are numerous, but the one that leads all others in merit, is Foley's Honey and Tar, which is in great demand these days. T. H. Fritz, Cass City. F. A. Francis, Kingston.

DeWitt's Little Early Risers are the best liver pills ever made. Easy to take and never gripe. Bond's Drug Store.

William McCollum, of Greenleaf, died on Tuesday at the ripe old age of eighty-two years. The funeral services will be held at the Frazier Presbyterian Church, Greenleaf, on Friday at ten a. m., and will be conducted by the pastor, Rev. Smith.

THE STOVER THISTLE CASE.

EDITOR ENTERPRISE:

Dear Sir,—In your last issue A. Q. Stover tries to explain the condition of things in the case of the Township of Evergreen vs. A. Q. Stover. He commences by admitting that he neglected to cut his thistles. I shall try to show that he not only neglected but absolutely refused to do so. About the year 1896 or 1897, the highway commissioner tried to persuade him to cut his thistles, of which he had an abundant crop, but he bluffed him off and evaded the law. In the year 1898 the township board appointed a commissioner for the destruction of noxious weeds. He also put forth an effort to induce Mr. Stover to cut his thistles. He also gave up, after "chewing the rag" nearly a whole day, and again his thistles went to seed. In the year 1899 I was appointed commissioner; being aware that it was useless to expect the law to be enforced unless the officer was in sympathy with the law, I accepted the office and qualified. I went to Mr. Cornfoot, the occupant of Mr. Stover's land, and he told me that he did not think Mr. Stover would pay him for cutting the thistles, as the year previous he had told him not to cut them, promising to pay the fine in case the law was enforced. He, however, requested me to give him time to write Mr. Stover and find out what he would do. I did so and Mr. Cornfoot sent him the notice, but he failed to come near. After the expiration of the time mentioned in the notice, I hired men and had the thistles cut, but on the last Saturday in September he was at the meeting of the town board with his lawyer, to try his old game of bluff. It did not work and proceedings were commenced against him for expenses. Now he asserts that seventy-five per cent of the other land owners in Evergreen neglect their thistles also, while the fact is that less than twenty-five per cent even have to be notified to cut their thistles. Mr. Stover also states that he made an agreement with me that if I would cause all the thistles to be cut this year, he would withdraw his case and pay costs; whereas I never made any agreement with him whatever. However the thistles were cut this year so far as I had knowledge or information and the law upheld, as well as any one man could, under existing circumstances. We lost the case through a technicality in the proceedings. Had the jury decided the case it would have been otherwise, but the judge took the case from the jury and decided it himself. Now Mr. Editor, I did not write the communication Mr. Stover referred to and would not have been in this had he left me out, neither do I intend to pay any more attention to the matter. Yours,

H. S. WATT, Shabbona.

Abolish the Stamp Taxes!

It is easy enough to spend money; it is difficult to practice economy; but in the face of such figures the people are showing a disposition to ask their representatives to cut down a little, and especially to abolish some of the war taxes, which are not unnecessarily onerous, but which in themselves are a constant inconvenience and in some respects a general nuisance. This is especially true of the stamp taxes—the taxes on checks, public documents and postal orders. If the present Congress should abolish a few of these, or all of them it would deserve a better epitaph than the average national legislature receives after it ceases business on the fourth of March.—From The Saturday Evening Post.

WANTED—Active men of good character to deliver and collect in Michigan for old established manufacturing wholesale house. \$300 a year, sure pay. Highest more than experience required. Our references, any bank in any city. Enclose self-addressed stamped envelope. Manufacturers, Third Floor, 224 Dearborn St., Chicago. 9-5-26

Cass City Markets.

Cass City, Nov. 29 1900	
Wheat No. 1 white	70
Wheat No. 2 red	70
Oats	24
Rye	45
Beans, Hand picked	1.60
Peas	0.50
No. 2 hay, pressed, and clover mixed	4.50 5.00
" No. 2	4.10 4.60
Potatoes, new	25
Cabbage per head	4
Onions per bushel	40.00
Eggs per doz.	28
Butter	4.80
Hogs, dressed per cwt.	5.00 6.00
Beef, dressed	5.00 6.00
Sweep, live weight, per lb.	3 4 1/2
Chickens	6
Turkeys	6
Ducks and geese	6 6 1/2
Hides	6
MARKETS AT ROLLER MILLS	
White Lily	4.90 per bu
Heller's Best	4.80
Pillsbury's Best	5.00
Graham Flour	4.30
Bolted Meal	1.75 cwt
Feed	1.00 "
Meal	75 "
Brans	75 "
Middlings	85 "
Rye Flour	2.00 "
B. W. Flour	3.00

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PURE AND FRAGRANT
SOLD IN SEALED PACKAGES ONLY
"IT COSTS NO MORE—TRY IT!"

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And all ready for the Holiday Trade with the finest stock of Jewelry Goods in the Thumb and all new and up to date. Our line consists of

Sterling Silver and Ebony Novelties from 25c to 2.50, Sterling Silver Tea Spoons, Sugar Shells, Butter Knives, Cream Ladles, Cold Meat Forks, and many other small articles.

Our Plated Wares are of the latest designs in Pickle Castors, Bon Bon Bowls, Spoon Trays, Desert Sets, Spoon Holders, Celery Trays, Nut Bowls, Cake Baskets and Fruit Dishes.

Our line of

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Is complete in every branch. Our DOLLS can't be beaten. We also have a fine line of China which we will close out at CUT PRICES.

J. F. Hendrick,

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Alabaster and Terra Cotta Busts and Stationery.

Winter is Coming

And we are here to meet it with a good line of

Winter Goods

Such as BED BLANKETS, Gray and White. Fleece Lined Wrappers, Outings, Heavy Overshirts Heavy Working Coats, Ladies' Children's and Men's

Underwear

And a complete line of Fresh GROCERIES. Come and deal with us and be convinced that we are selling Goods at right prices.

P. S. RICE

Butter, Eggs and Produce wanted. Goods delivered in town.

Are You Particular?

Have you some out of the ordinary ideas about what a monument ought to be?

Come Straight To Us

If you want your idea carried out to perfect completeness. We're particular people ourselves and know how to do particular work.

Hill & Parent

Proprietors National Marble Works, Cass City.

Because we sell it

Is no reason that it is the best, but because it is the best is the reason we sell it.

Our many years of experience in the implement business puts us in a position to judge as to the quality of every machine we handle and we have taken extra care to select only those machines which give the farmers satisfaction.

Grain Drills, Fertilizers and Bean Threshers

Are in season and we ask the privilege of talking to you about them and know we can save you dollars on them. All kinds of Implements and repairs always on hand. A few Mowers left and TWO SECOND HAND BINDERS GO AT A BARGAIN.

J. H. STRIFFLER & CO.

East Main Street.

SPECIAL SESSION CALL

WHITE CONVICTED AND PAR- DONED IN SHORT ORDER.

The Expected Happened on the 5th. Gov. Pinckney Having Issued the Call Conv- ing the Legislature in Extra Ses- sion on Dec. 12, 1900.

Gen. Will White Gets 10 Years.

Gen. Will L. White appeared in court at Lansing, Dec. 3, plead guilty, and was sentenced by Judge Wiest to 10 years' imprisonment at hard labor in the Jackson prison.

Later—White arrived in Jackson on the night of the 3d, but was not taken to the prison until the following morning.

It is generally believed at Grand Rapids that White will be pardoned before many days, as one of his military friends is quoted as saying that "White would take Christmas dinner with them."

Gens. Will L. White and Arthur F. Marsh were pardoned by Gov. Pinckney on the night of the 4th. The only condition attached is that each of the pardoned men shall pay \$5,000 in five annual installments of \$1,000 each.

Special Session Call.

Gov. Pinckney on the night of the 5th issued a proclamation for the convening of the 40th legislature in extra session at the capital in Lansing, at 12 o'clock, noon, Dec. 12, 1900.

An Epidemic of Smallpox.

An epidemic of smallpox in Mason county seems inevitable. Nearly all the physicians of Ludington were called to Scottville and Custer on the 2d and the report is made with authority that in those two villages nearly 100 persons are suffering from smallpox.

Watch Meetings.

Adj. Gen. Case has issued a circular calling attention of the National Guard to the fact that the American National Red Cross is arranging to hold in every village and city of the United States watch meetings to see the old century out and the new century in.

Dr. Baker on Smallpox.

Secretary Baker, of the state board of health, has issued an important circular on the prevalence of smallpox not only in Michigan, but in other states, and advocating strict measures for the control of the epidemic.

Two cases of smallpox are reported at Baldwin. They are of a mild nature.

An effort is being made at Lake Odessa to raise enough money to buy the necessary land and build a race track.

Freeman Dickerson of the state fish commission on the 4th said the legislature would be asked for an appropriation of \$100,000.

Thos. Welch, a resident of Lake township, Huron county, has threshed the wheat from 44 acres of land that yielded 38 bushels to the acre.

MICHIGAN NEWS ITEMS.

Essexville reports one case of smallpox. Lansing is to have a beet sugar factory.

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Eggs are selling for 26 cents a dozen at Holland. A Cassopolis man is about to build a saw mill at Glendora.

The state auditors annual report is ready for distribution. Joh Goodell, of near Romeo, suicided on the 5th by the rope route.

Local option may be an issue in Lenawee county's spring election. Six new cases of smallpox developed at Ishpeming on the 2d and 3d.

A cook book is being published by the Plainwell Lady Macabees. An Ohio telephone company has been granted a franchise at Jackson.

The big cement factory at Coldwater has closed down for two months. Mt. Clemens moved the city hall clock ahead 28 minutes on the 3d.

The Calhoun County Agricultural society is now free and clear of debt. Steps have been taken to reorganize the Berrien County Bar association.

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The people of Harriette think they cannot be happy until a newspaper is established in the village.

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Midland folks who have the interests of the town at heart have organized an improvement association.

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Many lumber camps in the vicinity of Standish are suspending operations owing to too much water in the swamps.

A monument to the memory of Pere Jacques Marquette is to be erected on Mackinac Island. The same will cost \$30,000.

The output of the Bay City sugar factory up to date, Dec. 1, is 7,000,000 pounds of sugar. Last year it was 6,000,000.

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The supreme court on the 4th ordered a new trial in the case of The People ex Res vs. The Detroit & Saline Plank Road Co.

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Rep. Brossius of Pennsylvania, chairman of the committee on banking and currency, on the 5th introduced in the house a resolution to authorize the comptroller of the currency under the limitations of the act of July 12, 1882, to extend for a further period of 20 years the charter of any national banking association which shall desire to continue its existence after the expiration of its present charter.

The house on the 6th at the end of a long sitting passed the army reorganization bill by a vote of 166 to 153. Three Democrats, Messrs. Hall of Pennsylvania and Underhill and Clayton of New York, voted with the Republicans for the bill, and Mr. McCall (Mass.) with the Democrats against it.

Otherwise it was a strict party vote. The secretary of war on the 6th sent to the senate reports of the board of engineers concerning the effects of the Galveston storm of last summer on the jetties in the vicinity of that city.

The board finds that \$1,500,000 will be necessary to repair the jetties at Galveston and \$175,000 for the repair of the Brazos river jetties.

The canteen provision in the new army bill is likely to cause a great deal of contention. Instead of being a prohibition of the sale of liquor, it provides that no army officer or soldier shall sell liquor.

Rep. Kitchen, of North Carolina, on the 5th introduced in the house a resolution for a constitutional amendment to repeal the 15th amendment to the constitution.

Wm. B. Dillingham, the new senator from Vermont, who succeeds the late Justin S. Morrill, took the oath of office on the 3d.

The President and Mrs. McKinley gave a reception on the 6th to the 1,900 delegates to the W. C. T. U. convention.

Appropriate resolutions of respect were adopted by the senate in memory of Senators John H. Gear and Davis on the 3d.

CHINA WAR NEWS. As was expected, the meeting of the foreign envoys at Peking on the 4th did not result in any definite conclusion, owing to the fact that not all of the governments have notified their representatives as to the form of the preliminary note to the Chinese plenipotentiaries.

Mr. Conger, the United States minister, said after the meeting that he was well pleased with the result of the ministers' meeting.

The state department at Washington on the 4th was informed that the foreign ministers at Peking had reached an agreement which was submitted to the home offices. Secretary Hay cabled Mr. Conger authorization to sign the agreement on behalf of the U. S. government.

In the two important issues that were still open, namely, those relating to punishment and indemnity, the view of the U. S. government has prevailed. As to punishments, they are to be the severest that can be inflicted by the Chinese government.

As to indemnity the Chinese government is to formally admit its liability and then the matter is to be left for further negotiation. It was understood that on the other points the French proposition has formed the basis of the agreement.

About 6,000 Dutchmen assembled in the open air at the Gum Tree plantation, on the edge of Worcester, Cape Colony, to take part in the Afrikaner congress. Horsemen from a radius of 60 miles rode all night in order to be in attendance.

President Kruger arrived at The Hague on the 6th and was warmly received.

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A special from Frankfort, Ky., dated the 5th, says that Gov. Beckham's plurality as officially announced is 3,689.

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This process is performed within a few seconds. As all bags work simultaneously, the vessel is considerably lightened and kept above water. Mariolle has calculated that a big ocean steamer can in this manner be saved from sinking if it is provided with 150 of these bags, each containing fifty kilograms of calcium carbide.—Boston Post.

Thanksgiving Day in London. More than 400 Americans were present at the Hotel Cecil Thursday evening at the Thanksgiving dinner given under the auspices of the American Society in London. F. C. Van Duser, president of the society, was in the chair, and the guests included Baron Alverstone, lord chief justice of England; William Court Gully, speaker of the house of commons; Sir James Charles Mathew of the queen's bench division of the high court of justice; Frank Green, lord mayor of London.

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In the card room the tables, the domino sets, chessmen and packs of cards rested undisturbed; no noise of the clicking billiard balls from the room upstairs or of rumbling spheres in the tennis alley below floated up toward the office, the reception room and the library on the main floor. Even the chairs and settees along the hallway seemed weighted with ennui.

From one of those away-off places like the basement, the attic or the stuffy coat room came the resonant tones of a conventional cuckoo thing telling the hour of eight, when down the main stairs stepped Wilder Wilkins, a bachelor, a man of the world, a millionaire and a cynic.

"Was your dinner all right, Mr. Wilkins?" asked the office man, and the club member's answer as he passed through toward the reading room was: "Very good, indeed."

Wilkins sat at one of the tables, and picking up a paper imagined that he was reading, but his delusion was broken within a minute by his arising and looking through a window into the brilliantly lighted street. "There's life enough out there," he murmured to himself, as he turned in a tired sort of way and looked in a hopeless fashion at the various portraits on the walls.

Then he returned to the reading tables and lighting a cigar affected deep interest in a book he had taken up.

"It's mighty strange," said he, after a pause, "that a mere sentiment can send dozens of ordinarily good fellows off on a certain day of the year to fret and worry and berate themselves over storekeepers and clerks, ten-pound turkeys and 20-pound babies, when there is a comfortable, rational, available resort like this one to which they may make their escape." Then he threw away his half consumed cigar and with the strength of a firm resolution made his way to the card room, where for half an hour or more he applied himself to solitaire.

"That beats the record," he said, throwing down his cards and looking at his watch. "Half-past nine o'clock and not a soul has entered the place. Presently I will say something harsh about Christmas." At this juncture his eye caught a new lot of notices on the club bulletin and stepping across the room he studied them, now and then offering comments unfavorable upon what he had read.

Surfaced by this species of recreation he visited the coatroom, and when the boy who assisted him with hat and coat asked: "Are you going home so early, Mr. Wilkins?" he responded: "You don't suppose I would stay in such a place as this when I have the alternative of going to bed, do you?"

An hour later, utterly free from anything akin to appreciation of the elegance of his apartments, and totally blind to the mellowness of the light of human intercourse, Wilkins was in bed telling himself that he was an absolute idiot for having been born with the faculty of acquiring money, and scolding any man, himself in particular, who had judgment so poor as to favor his stomach in preference to his tired eyelids, his tired head and his tired heart.

He simply could not sleep, and he found himself listening to the rustle of the pillow beneath his head as he tried to formulate the intangible patterns he seemed to see even though his eyes were closed. Just when it seemed to him that he had conquered the sleep god, an L train over the Sixth avenue caught a special stratum of clearness in the atmosphere and aroused him with its noises. At this he rolled over in bed, and pushing a clinched fist under his jaw, commanded: "Here, now, don't be a helpless imbecile, but go to sleep." And his answer was a twinge in one of his feet so that his next task was the recovery of the loosened bedclothes.

And then he went to sleep. That is to say, he thought he was asleep, and so ventured to discover himself on the outer circumference of a vast globe which was sailing swiftly through limitless space, while, in a frenzy of despair, he was keeping his position on the whirling thing simply by force of bleeding fingers and bruised and clinging legs set against the hard surface. His vision extended millions of miles, so that he saw clearly that gradually he was losing the hold which was to send him down, down forever into chaos.

At last his overstrained nature yielded, the fingers let go, and he awoke with a yell, on the floor at the side of his bed. Aching all over and trembling like a pot of jelly in the hands of a boy making a surreptitious visit to his mother's pantry, Wilkins sa. upon the floor and smiled grimly as he passed a somewhat harsh estimate as to his own character. "Well," he finally observed, as he arose to his feet, "I'll just go out and get good and drunk in earnest. No imitations for me," and then he walked toward the window that opened into the bustling street.

Directly opposite, and on the same level with Wilkins' apartments, were the central offices of the telephone company, and as he looked across he saw the harnessed heads of half a hundred or more of the hello girls. With his own room dark he felt justified in boldly studying the busy picture before him. As he looked, he thought of the dividends he received regularly from the telephone stock he owned and then reached the conclusion that he was entitled to know something of the details of the business. And so, forgetting his resolution to make a night of it, he wondered as to the wages paid to the girls, and then, dreamily tapping his fingers against the pane, he reached the conclusion that "the world is living altogether too fast, our impetus is too great; we have no time to be even decent toward each other; we grind ourselves and crush others and—"

The sentence was never finished, because Wilkins walked slowly back to his bed, and within ten minutes was sleeping peacefully.

Early the following morning the bachelor millionaire and cynic visited the office of the telephone company and was busy for nearly an hour with the managers and a stenographer. Then, taking a coupe, he was driven to the markets, the dry goods stores, and department stores and elsewhere, and on the morning of Christmas he was every one of the girls in the service of the telephone company received the "Compliments of the Telephone Co." attached to a large turkey which rested across two large boxes, the one being filled with groceries and the other containing a fine four-button coat and various smaller articles, such as gloves, handkerchiefs and the like.

On the day following Christmas, Wilkins entered the reading room at the Ego club just in time to hear one of the members reading from the morning paper: "Among the many benefactions of a public character, which were bestowed yesterday, were liberal and useful gifts to every girl employed by the telephone company. Strange to say that while the girls believe the gifts were made by the company the manager of the company says this belief is incorrect and that the company hasn't spent a cent for such a purpose."

And among the comments made on this item of news was one by Wilkins, who said, as he lit a cigar: "That's a pretty newspaper romance all right, but I'll bet the company bestowed the gifts. I've got no faith in these mysterious, unknown benefactors."

And the other members of the club were of the same opinion.—Detroit Free Press.

Driving Out "Evil One."
The Japanese little folks know nothing of the mysterious joys of Christmas, but the name of Hotel, a celebrated priest who was kind to children, signifies to the Japanese boys and girls, in a measure, what Santa Claus does to young America. Hotel is represented with an immense sack, gathering good things for his young friends. He is said to have eyes in the back of his head and to be able to see around corners, thus finding out whether the little ones are good or naughty.

The Japanese New Year was formerly a movable festival like that of the Chinese, but it is now celebrated on a date corresponding to our first of January. This is a day of universal rejoicing with both old and young. The ceremony of mame-maki, bean throwing, is a leading feature in the preparation for this holiday. There is a superstition prevalent among the Japanese that there may be evil spirits in the house which must be driven out before the dawn of the new year.

Accordingly, on the last night of the old year the house is swept and cleaned and the windows and doors are hung with ferns. Then the house father, arrayed in his very best clothes, goes through all the rooms, the little ones of the family, undrizzled at the thought of possible hobgoblins, skipping gayly after him. He has provided himself with a quantity of dried beans and these he throws into the corners and recesses, crying aloud: "Oni wa soto, fuku wa uchi." (Demons depart, good luck enter.) The young folks join joyfully in the cry, frolicking and laughing till the tour of the house is completed, and the horned demons and other evil spirits—who are supposed to have a great aversion to beans—have made their escape through the open door.

Christmas Long Ago.
Along the country roads the tree-wringing hands in frightful agony, and there was no sect or nobility beyond the reach and comfort of the plebeian earmuff. A veil across the nose didn't go so bad early in the morning on the way to the turkey raffle. The Christmas shooting match was reached through banks of ethereal frosts, and before 10 o'clock in the morning the snow had been swept from the mill pond. The beeches popped like the ring of a patrolman's mace against a metal lamp post. On either side of Old Sol sat a "sun dog" and the stalactite was a fixture beneath Grandfather's mustache. No man stood in danger of losing his life by asking his neighbor if it was cold enough for him, for it was a pleasure

in those days to be plain and perpetuate both the virtues and the established wit of the human family. By this time of the year the cattle had been comfortably weathered in, the poultry had been housed and the winter wood was beyond the reach of the trusts. The nude form of the rabbit lay frozen upon the woodshed, and the spelling bee as well as the husking fete were not to be despised. A woolen comfort around the neck was better than a rope, and fire crackers were a luxury not to be scoffed at.

In those olden golden days a red candy fish couldn't get so near the foot of the Christmas stocking as to make its digestion difficult, while the jack-in-the-box never failed to please. That was long before a toy railroad train or a moving universe in miniature were necessary to stir up the sentiments of the gilded urchin. It was not so hard then to get up and milk half a dozen cows, carry fodder to them, feed the rest of the stock, and split a cord of wood before breakfast, as it is now to get into the bath tub, notwithstanding how bitter cold so cold, in fact, that every potato in the hole was frozen, as well as the apples in the cellar. The weather forced the grease from the pores of the boots, and before noon many an ear came up magnified by the frost. While it takes a facile imagination to realize it those were the days before underclothes were considered indispensable. A pair of jeans trousers, properly ventilated, were good enough, and the boy that had a new pair was the possessor of a lucky number in the lottery of life.

Every bush was an etching, and every woodland scene a phantasm of beautiful shapes and colors. The deep snow defied the sun and held up a world of glittering crystals to his earliest courtesies. Jack Frost was the boss in those days. Christmas came when the patient titlers who had tamed the forest lands sent upward their last prayer, and found a resting place on the sloping side of the little graveyard still in sight, though tears dimmed the eyes of the old, cold Christmas.

Lighting the Tree.
We have our share of ups and downs, Our cares like other folks;
The pocketbook is sometimes full, We're sometimes nigh dead broke;
But once a year, at Christmas time, Our hearts is bright to see;
Then baby's hand just touches heaven When daddy lights the tree.

For weeks and weeks the little ones Have lotted on this hour;
And mother, she has planned for it Since summer's sun and shower.
With here a nickel, there a dime, Put by where none should see,
A loving hoard against the night When daddy lights the tree.

The weest kid in mother's arms Laughs out and claps her hands,
The rest of us on tiptoe wait; The grown-up brother stands
Where he can reach the topmost branch,
Our Santa Claus to be,
In that sweet hour of breathless joy,
When daddy lights the tree.

Our grandpa says 'twas just as fine In days when he was young;
For every Christmas ages through The happy bells have rung,
And daddy's head is growing gray, But yet a boy is he,
As merry as the rest of us,
When daddy lights the tree.

The Day's Height and Depth.
Christmas' realm is 8,000 feet thick. It reaches in "a girdle 'round about the earth," spreading its breadth "from Greenland's icy mountains" to where "Africa's sunny fountains roll down their golden sand," and in height and depth extends from the hospice of St. Bernard to the lower levels of the great salt mines of Europe, 1,000 feet below the surface of the ground, where men and entire families have lived and worked for the last six centuries. From bleak St. Bernard to blossoming Salzburg is about 300 miles, but around one is perpetual winter, with snow seldom absent, and the fringe of its continuing mantle ever near at hand, while in the mines of the other is unending summer.

At Christmas tide 100 degrees of temperature separates the two, and while the hoarsest snow-covered hills of one glisten in the broadest diffused and brightest light known to earth, the contracted crystal walls of the other scintillate under the feeble rays from restricted lanterns.

Thirty degrees below zero is a frequent temperature at the hospital monastery of St. Bernard on Christmas day. There is seldom a traveler over the famous pass of the Penine chain of Alps in that season, but there is never a Christmas eve or Christmas day the visitors do not join with the two score monks of the Augustinian order in the mass of their church and in the joys of the feast.

Then in the salt mines, miles away and thousands of feet below, are all of these things, for in the vaulted chambers, amid massive pillars of salt, is a population of human beings not only miners who work 1,000 feet under ground, but a permanent population living in homes along streets hewn out of mountain masses of crystal that glistens under the artificial light necessary in these depths. Many of the population seldom see the light of day. On Christmas eve and on Christmas day the echoes of the rock-ribbed caverns are awakened by children's voices. The song, the merry laugh, the joyous shouts in childish games and sports, are heard. There are music and the dance, feasting and merry-making, the brilliantly lighted and decorated gift-bearing tree that illumines diamond-like crystals that gather up the light, divide it into prismatic beauty and cast it back again.

MORGAN AS AN ALARMIST.

Fears War if the Canal Is Not Neutralized.

FOR HAY-PAUNCEFOTE PACT.

He Urges Ratification by the Senators Without Amendment—Fails to Move His Opponents—The Oleomargarine Bill Is Up in the House.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 8.—"If the United States goes ahead and builds the Nicaragua canal without first ratifying the Hay-Pauncefote treaty we may soon find ourselves confronted by an alliance of the powers which will lead to war between the United States and several combined European nations."

This sensational statement was in the secret session of the senate by Mr. Morgan, the venerable Alabama statesman, whose hobby is construction of the Nicaragua canal without regard to means or conditions. Senator Morgan's startling statement was made in the course of a three-hour speech in favor of the Hay-Pauncefote treaty and naturally attracted a great deal of attention.

For some reasons senators did not appear to be as much frightened as Mr. Morgan had evidently hoped they would be. It is even reported that there were incredulous smiles upon the faces of listening senators as these dread words were uttered. There is a disposition to attribute the Alabama senator's remarks to a desire on his part to intimidate those who are opposed to the treaty, and to scare them into the support of a measure which their judgment does not approve.

It is true that there may be danger of international complications of a diplomatic sort in case the United States goes ahead and builds and fortifies the canal without first getting rid of the old Clayton-Bulwer treaty, but no well informed public man here believes there is the slightest probability of an international war as one of the sequences.

OLEO BILL COMES UP.

Struggle Over Grant Anti-Butterine Measure Opens in House.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 8.—Under the arrangement made the Grouse oleomargarine bill, which was postponed to allow the army reorganization bill to be disposed of, came up for consideration in the house immediately after the reading of the journal. The bill makes all articles known as oleomargarine, butterine, imitation butter or imitation cheese transported into any state or territory subject to the police powers of such state or territory.

It increases the tax on butterine, colored in imitation of butter, from 2 to 10 cents per pound and decreases the tax on butterine uncolored from 2 cents to one-fourth of 1 cent per pound. An attempt was made to reach an agreement for a final vote this afternoon, but it failed.

Mr. Henry (Conn.), who is in charge of the measure, opened the debate in its support. He explained the features of the measure, opened the debate in on colored imitation butter, he said, the majority of the committee on agriculture believed was absolutely necessary to protect the dairy interests of the country.

NO DRINKS FOR TROOPS.

The House Goes Against the Army Canteen.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 8.—The house of representatives, after considering the army reorganization bill two days, passed it by a vote of 166 to 133. A heated discussion was precipitated by an amendment offered by Representative Littlefield (Me.), and finally adopted, embodying the recommendations of the W. C. T. U. for the abolition of the canteen.

Representative Fitzgerald (Mass.) attempted to have the amendment broadened so as to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquor upon government property. The house divided almost on party lines. Representative McCall (Mass.), who is opposed to the administration on everything connected with expansion and colonial policy, was the only Republican who voted in the negative. Three Democrats—Representatives Clayton and Underhill (N. Y.) and Hall (Pa.)—broke away from party lines and voted with the Republicans in favor of the bill.

To Abolish the Canteen.
Mr. Littlefield's substitute for the canteen provision of the bill reads: "The sale of or dealing in beer, wine or any intoxicating liquors by any person in any post, exchange or canteen or army transport or upon any premises used for military purposes by the United States is hereby prohibited. The Secretary of War is hereby directed to carry the provisions of this section into full force and effect."

Mr. Littlefield reviewed the long-standing controversy over this subject, and after reading a letter from Adj. Gen. Corbin stating that 95 per cent of the officers of the army favored the canteen system, he read also a statement made by Gen. Corbin in 1892 condemning the canteen system as not conducive to the discipline or the best interests of the soldier. Mr. Littlefield also read a statement by Gen. Ludlow, who testified to the good effect of discouraging the sale of liquor to soldiers in Cuba.

Mr. Fitzgerald of Massachusetts opposed the amendment. Messrs. Grosvenor of Ohio, Pearce of Missouri and Hay of Virginia also spoke.

After some further debate by Mr. Dick (O.) in favor of the amendment and Mr. Bartholdt (Mo.) against, Mr.

Littlefield closed the debate on the amendment, and defended prohibition in Maine, which he insisted made for morality and temperance. The amendment was adopted—159 to 51. Many bers of the W. C. T. U. were in the gallery and loudly applauded the result.

Several Amendments Adopted.

The sections of the bill designed to retire Gen. Shafter as a major-general and Gen. Fitzhugh Lee and James H. Wilson as brigadier-generals were stricken out. Among the amendments adopted were those providing for fifty volunteer surgeons and 150 assistant surgeons for service in the Philippines, for thirty dental surgeons and for a veterinary corps with actual rank. The officers of the pay corps were increased eleven and of the signal corps twenty-three. The age limit was removed from volunteer officers eligible to appointments as first and second lieutenants and the provision for retiring officers who served in the civil war as of the next higher grade was stricken out.

Bill Reported and Passed.

This completed the bill, which was then reported to the house, where Mr. McClellan (N. Y.) moved to recommit the bill, with instructions to report back a bill extending the present law until July 1, 1903. The motion was lost, 64 to 248. Two Republicans—Mr. McCall (Mass.) and Mr. Mann (Ill.) voted with sixty-six members of the opposition for the motion. Many Democrats voted with the Republicans against the motion. A roll call was demanded for the final passage of the bill. The bill was passed, 166 to 133, and the house adjourned.

W. C. T. U. Claims a Victory.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 8.—The delegates to the Woman's Christian Temperance union convention are celebrating the victory won in the house of representatives when the army reorganization bill was so amended as to abolish the canteens. The victory was most complete, and so overwhelming was the vote that the delegates believe the senate will not reverse the action. The delegates were at the white house when the vote was taken on the canteen amendment and therefore were denied the privilege of enjoying the debate. The President and Mrs. McKinley, assisted by a number of ladies from the cabinet and legislative circles, received the delegates in the east room.

Amend Ship Subsidy Bill.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 8.—The Senate Committee on Commerce held its first meeting of the session. The meeting was devoted mainly to the consideration of the ship subsidy bill and to amendments suggested by Chairman Fry. The amendment requiring vessels clearing for foreign ports to carry cargo amounting to 50 per cent of their carrying capacity was adopted by the committee.

W. C. T. U. ELECTION.

Washington Convention Makes No Change in Old Roster.

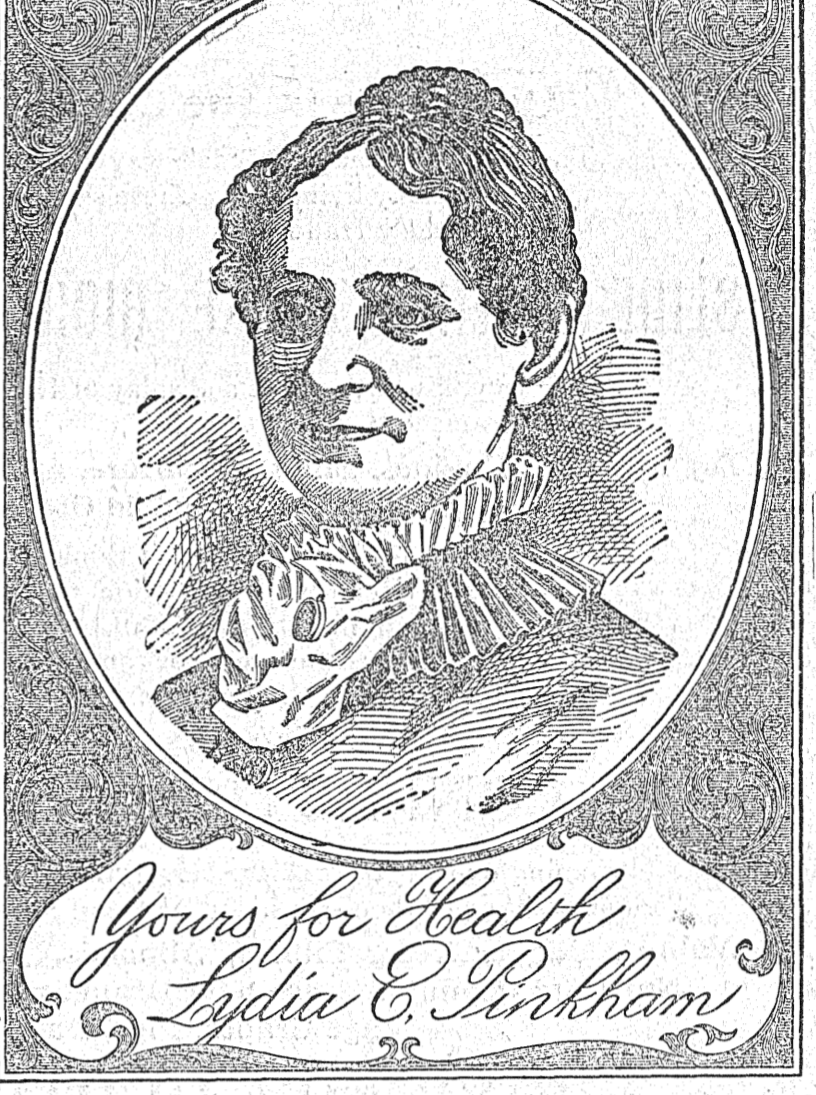
Washington, D. C., Dec. 8.—At the morning session of the W. C. T. U. convention the old officers were re-elected as follows: President—Mrs. L. M. N. Stevens. Vice-President—Mrs. Anna A. Gordon. Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. Susanna M. D. Fry. Recording Secretary—Mrs. Clara C. Hoffman. Assistant Recording Secretary—Mrs. Francis E. Beauchamp. Treasurer—Mrs. Helen M. Barker. A delegation of the Woman's Christian Temperance union, now in session in Washington, and others interested in temperance work were given a full hearing by the house committee on insular affairs in advocacy of Representative Littlefield's bill prohibiting the sale of liquor, opium and intoxicants to aboriginal tribes and native races in the Pacific islands.

DAILY MARKET REPORT.

Chicago Board of Trade.				
Wheat	Open	High	Low	Close
Dec.	...	71 1/2	70 3/4	70 3/4
Jan.	...	71 1/2	70 3/4	70 3/4
Feb.	...	72 1/2	71 1/2	71 1/2
Mar.	...	74 1/2	74 1/2	73 3/4
Corn				
Dec.	...	37 1/2	36 3/4	37 1/2
Jan.	...	38	36 3/4	36 3/4
May	...	38 1/2	36 3/4	36 3/4
Oats				
Dec.	...	21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2
May	...	23 1/2	24	23 1/2
Pork				
Dec.	...	11.40	11.40	11.25
Jan.	...	12.22 1/2	12.37 1/2	12.20
May	...	12.12 1/2	12.15	12.05
Lard				
Dec.	...	7.17 1/2	7.20	7.12 1/2
Jan.	...	6.92 1/2	6.95	6.90
May	...	6.97 1/2	7.00	6.97 1/2
S. Ribs				
Jan.	...	6.30	6.35	6.30
May	...	6.37 1/2	6.42 1/2	6.37 1/2

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Owing to an unusual amount of advertising and reading matter for this issue we are forced to leave over the report of Fred E. Britton's address at the M. E. Church on Wednesday evening until our next issue.

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Local Happenings.

Rev. G. W. Gordon, of Kingston, will occupy the pulpit of the M. E. Church next Sunday morning and evening. The pastor here presents the interests of the Twentieth Century movement at Kingston and East Dayton, and lectures at Owosso on Tuesday on "Where Wonderful Centuries Meet."

The following letters remain unclaimed in the P. O. at Cass City, Mich., for the week ending Dec. 8th 1900: Mr. J. W. Amphlett; Hubbard H. Sheppard; David Jeneraux; Nancy P. Karr; Aphrodite Portrait Co.; Arthur Wilbur; H. S. Wickware P.M. When calling for the above please mention "advertised."

Mrs. John Bord died at her home, three miles east and one and one-half miles north of this place, on Sunday, aged forty-six years. She has been in poor health for some months but only confined to her bed a few days. She was a member of Elkland Arbor, A. O. O. G. The funeral took place on Wednesday forenoon and the services were held at the Baptist Church.

The annual election of officers was held by Hazel Hive, No. 199, L. O. T. M., in the Oddfellow Hall, on Tuesday evening, with the following result: Past Com., Mrs. E. A. McGeorge; Com., Mrs. W. D. Schooley; Lt. Com., Mrs. J. F. Hendrick; R. K., Mrs. A. J. Knapp; F. K., Mrs. M. Gulick; Mistress at Arms, Miss Kate Zinnecker; Sorgt., Mrs. E. Brotherton; sentinel, Mrs. E. Eno; picket, Mrs. C. O. Lenzner; organist Miss Mabel Schwadener.

Robert G. Orr, who has been in failing health for some time, passed away on Tuesday morning. He was born in County Down, Ireland, Sept. 12th, 1844, coming to Pennsylvania in 1860, where he remained three years. He then spent a year in Ohio and came to this section in 1864, where he has remained ever since, doing much to assist in the improvement of this section and becoming familiarly known of a man of staunch integrity and uprightness. In 1878 he was united in marriage to Emma Pettit and the union was blessed with five children, who with the faithful wife remain to cherish his memory. A year ago he began to break down physically, losing the sight of one eye, and since that time he has gradually declined. He was a member of the Presbyterian Church for seven years and a member of the Loyal Guards. The funeral services were conducted at the house this afternoon by the pastor, Rev. A. Torbet, and were very largely attended, showing the esteem in which the deceased was held.

READING ROOM.

Shall we have a Public Library and Reading Room?

A meetin was held on Monday evening, at the offices of I. A. Fritz, in the City Block, for the purpose of discussing the feasibility of establishing a public library and reading room in Cass City. The meeting was called on rather short notice and possibly all were not aware of it who are interested, but the gathering was quite a representative one of the business and professional classes and the matter was quite generally discussed, with the outcome that a committee was appointed to confer with the Literary Club and ascertain if the members of that organization were ready to co-operate in drafting a plan for organization. The committee was also empowered to see if a suitable suite of rooms could be secured, so that not only a reading room could be arranged in connection with the library, but sufficient room remain for introduction of innocent games of various kinds. It was not thought best to entertain the thought of instituting a gymnasium at present, but if the reading room is established and well patronized, that is pretty sure to follow.

It is to be hoped that citizens generally will interest themselves in this matter and be ready to assist in every way possible in helping forward this worthy movement, as it is becoming more and more apparent that our young people especially need some such place where they may spend a pleasant and profitable hour in the evening, without the presence of any baneful influence. We are quite certain that the ladies will at once offer their assistance, and while the first cost may seem considerable, a "long pull, a strong pull and a pull all together" should bring the desired result, and give to us a store of intellectual treasure as well as healthful recreation that will be sought after and enjoyed by old and young alike. Another meeting will be held next Monday evening to hear the committee's report.

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INCENDIARY FIRE.

HOUSE OWNED BY D. M. HOUGHTON ON PINE ST. SCORCHED.

Supposed to Have Been the Work of Incendiaries.

On Saturday night the elements seemed bent on making a disagreeable time for the residents of our burg. It was cold and the wind played and howled about in a fashion that made it very unpleasant indeed for those who chanced to be out. At about fifteen minutes to twelve the fire bell clanged out an alarm of fire and the whistle at the power house soon sang out in unison if not in harmony. Quite a few of the sterner sex had not retired and were prompt in their response, some going to the fire hall and others to the burning building which proved to be the house owned by D. M. Houghton, on Pine street, only vacated last week by Fred A. Hulbert, who moved to Kingston. Jas. Perkins was the first to reach the house and an entrance was forced and the large found vacant. It was seen at a glance that the affair was the work of an incendiary and that the fire had been set in the shed on the west side of the house, and the wind coming from the northwest there was little chance of saving the house. Lou Fisher was first at the fire hall and soon had the doors open and willing hands were soon pulling at the hose wagon. The hydrant at the corner near J. F. Hendrick's residence was reached in the face of a blinding snow flurry and a speedy connection made, but a kink in the hose near the nozzle caused a temporary delay. W. C. Janks distinguished himself by his hard work and coolness and the fiery element was quickly subdued. The loss will probably amount to \$150 and is covered by insurance. The house had been rented to John Cornelia, who intended moving in this week.

Strayed or Stolen

From my premises six miles east of Cass City one black Scotch Collie dog with white stripe around neck. Good reward will be given for the return of the dog. SIDNEY DAVIS.

FOR SALE—Good wares, buggy and harness. Will take cow in part payment. For particulars enquire at W. A. ANDERSON'S shop. 12-6-2

Wood Wanted.

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