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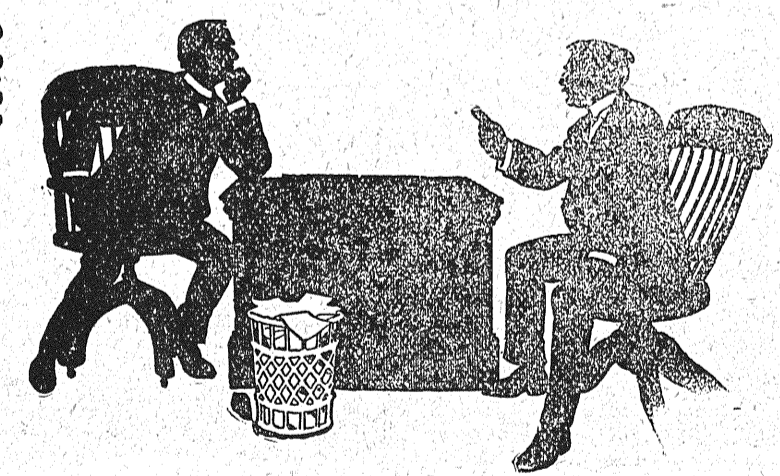
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ODDFELLOWS

Cass City Lodge Installs Officers.

BRIEF HISTORICAL SKETCH OF THE ORDER

Now One of the Strongest in The World.

The officers elect of the Cass City Lodge, No. 203, Independent Order of Oddfellows, were installed at the regular meeting of that society last evening. Those officers were: Wesley Falls, Noble Grand; Dugald Livingston, vice grand; Angus D. Gillies, recording secretary; Henry S. Wickware, permanent secretary; Geo. E. Perkins, treasurer. The acting Grand Lodge officers were: Grand Master, John C. Laing; Grand Marshal, Fred C. Lee; Grand Warden, Jas. D. Brooker; Grand Secretary, Jas. Tennant; Grand Treasurer, Ira K. Reid. After the installation ceremony, which was unusually well conducted, the Noble Grand appointed the following officers: Warden, Jas. M. Allen; conductor, John A. Renshler; right supporter, Noble Grand, Ira K. Reid; left supporter, Noble Grand, Amos Bond; outside guardian, C. Dingman; inside guardian, David H. Kyes; right scene supporter, Sam LaFond; left scene supporter, J. C. Lauderbach; chap., M. W. Gifford; finance committee, I. K. Reid, T. H. Fritz and J. F. Hendrick. The Vice Grand appointed as his supporters Chas. D. Striffler and Frank A. White. There were over forty members of the order present and all were treated to a supper by the officers elect.

This lodge being one of the earliest fraternal organizations in our town, a brief sketch will be of interest. The Independent Order of Oddfellows is recognized as "one of the most extensive self-governed beneficial associations in the world; organized in Manchester, England, 1812, though isolated lodges had existed in various places for some time previously—the oldest whose name has been preserved being the Royal Aristarcus, No. 9, which met 1745 in London; though in DeFoe is an earlier mention of the Society of Odd Fellows." The early lodges of Odd Fellows organized in the United States about 1800 soon became extinct and no permanent branch was established until 1819, when Thos. Withey and four companions, organized "Washington Lodge, No. 1, at Baltimore, Maryland. In the following year this body was invested with Grand and subordinate lodge prerogatives and took the title, "No. 1, Washington Lodge, of the Grand Lodge of Maryland and of the United States of America." An independent charter was obtained from the English body 1826 and a complete separation consummated in 1843.

Since then American Odd Fellowship has been established in Australasia, Chili, Cuba, Denmark, France, Germany, Japan, Mexico, the Netherlands, Norway, Peru, Sandwich Islands, Sweden and Switzerland, and the supreme American body now bears the title, "The Sovereign Grand Lodge I. O. O. F." Under its jurisdiction, Jan. 1st, 1899, were two independent grand lodges, 64 grand lodges, 8,794 subordinate lodges, 48 grand encampments, 2,091 subordinate encampments, 603,537 lodge members, 106,972 encampment members, 1,753 Rebekah Degree lodges, (for third degree members, their wives, daughters and widows), 96,436 Rebekah Degree members, and several other departments and ranks. The total relief paid in 1895 was \$3,400,012. To become a member of the lodge one must be a white male, at least twenty-one years of age, and believe in a Supreme Being.

Cass City Lodge, No. 203, Grand Lodge of Michigan, was organized March 19th, 1873, with the following charter members: Warren Weydemeyer, P. R. Weydemeyer, J. H. Camburn, Robert Tennant and Henry S. Wickware. Meetings were held in the old hall in the second story of the Tennant House. The first officers were: J. H. Camburn, N. G.; Robt. Tennant, V. G.; Per. Sec., J. C. Laing; rec. sec., P. R. Weydemeyer; treas., Geo. Tennant. H. S. Wickware is the only one of the charter members now a member of the lodge and has held the office of permanent secretary since Jan. 1st, 1891. Among the names of others who occupied the chair of Noble Grand in the early days we notice those of L. A. DeWitt, now deceased; J. D. Withey, still a member here; Jas. S. Deming, also deceased, and who for many years held the office of chaplain; J. F. Hendrick, still a member; C. Murphy, late repre-

sentative for Sanilac county; Homer E. Gordon; N. L. McLachlan, now of Findlay, O.; F. E. Austin; S. C. Armstrong; W. F. Enkelman; H. C. Wales, and a number of others who are still well known residents here.

In the year 1882 the lodged moved its present commodious and well arranged lodge rooms in the second story of the Town Hall, and has continued to prosper until the membership now numbers eighty of our best known and most highly respected residents of the town and vicinity, notwithstanding the fact that many have removed to other localities and taken their membership to other lodges. Last evening's gathering is an evidence that the lodge is in a healthy and flourishing condition and a considerable increase in membership is expected during the present term. Long may the advocates of Friendship, Love and Truth continue to widen their influence.

DEADLY SOFT COAL.

Three Bad Axe Children Had Narrow Escape.

An example of the peril in the use of soft coal to heat dwellings, is furnished by the experience of a family in Bad Axe. That no deaths occurred is regarded by the community as a miracle. When Mrs. Samuel Murray arose at five o'clock Tuesday morning to do the family washing she heard noises upstairs, and upon opening a door into an adjoining room gas and soot gushed in her face. She summoned her husband and they investigated. The three children who sleep upstairs were found stretched out upon the beds and floor. The oldest boy, about 13 years old, had fallen at the head of the stairs in his endeavor to give an alarm. The children were carried out of doors in their night clothes, and after hard work by a physician restored to consciousness. A soft coal stove had been closed up for the night, and the escaping gas and soot had destroyed draperies, carpets and furniture and nearly everything else perishable in the house. The soot hung in festoons, and left the place a "sight." The children are out of danger.

Outbreak of Small-pox.

Small pox is becoming alarmingly prevalent at Grant, three cases now being under quarantine in that town. Harvey Parker who was first to show symptoms of the loathsome disease, was placed under strict quarantine last Sunday, together with his family, but not until he had exposed a number of persons. Mr. Parker is a very sick man, and has small-pox in its most virulent form. On Monday, two cases of small-pox were reported in the family of Chas. Hartsell, and quarantine was at once enforced. The schools of Grant township are all closed and no services will be held in the churches until all danger of contagion is passed. Dr. Morris has been vaccinating a large number of Grant's population, and every possible effort is being made to check the spread of the malady. Owen-dale people feel that all danger of contagion is past, no new cases appearing, and the disease was in such a very mild form in Geo. Turner's case, that it is really doubtful whether it was small pox. Business is again brisk and all quarantine measures have been removed.—Gagetown Times.

Passed Away.

In the person of Michael Sheridan, Sr., father of M. Sheridan, of the New Sheridan, who passed away last Thursday, we lose one of the most familiar characters of our town. He was a native of Ireland, and was born in 1824. He was married in 1846 and came to Lockport, N. Y., the same year. They later spent a number of years in Ontario, but came to this section about 1890, and have spent the years since with their children here. The old gentleman had been quite ill for several weeks and passed away at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Kinsane, at the corner of West Street and Garfield Avenue. The funeral was held on Saturday morning and the remains taken to the Gagetown cemetery for interment. His aged widow is in very poor health and it is feared she cannot long survive.

To Ladies!

Tuesday and Friday afternoons, from 2 to 5 o'clock, each week will be reserved for ladies and their escorts at the bowling alley of the Thumb Amusement Co. JOHN J. ROWE, Manager. Mrs. G. W. Goff will sell you a Ready-made Skirt at Bargain Prices. 1-15-2

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We have a nice line of

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New Line of Sample Shoes.

We can fit and suit all and the price will be lower than you have dreamed of buying at other places. Come and see these during the sale.

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LAING & JANES

RAILROAD TO BAY CITY

Detroiters Asked to Help Build It.

A Detroit daily of Tuesday says: "New railroad connections with Bay City, opening up the thumb of Michigan, was the subject of discussion at a meeting held in the Chamber of Commerce last evening. A delegation of business men from towns along the proposed route was present and many spoke in favorable terms of the abundance of natural products from that country which go to other points than Detroit for marketing.

C. M. Black occupied the chair and among the prominent Detroiters present were Homer Warren, J. C. Hutchins, W. A. Pungs, A. P. Sherill, Jos. S. Hall, Thos. Neal and Thos. Craig. The deputation was headed by ex-Congressman, N. B. Bradley, of Bay City, and among its members were J. F. Cooper, Bay City; Fred Klump and I. B. Anten, Cass City; John S. Crandell and Thos. Walker, Sanilac Center; T. G. Graham, Peck; Alvin Cole, Port Huron; Geo. Merrill, Crosswell; Fred Montney and E. L. Dunn, Yale; Jas. E. Weter and A. J. Heath, Lenox; J. B. Tibbles, Port Huron. The meeting opened with an explanation of the situation by G. R. Lovejoy, of Lenox, who has had charge of the promotion of the enterprise during the two years which have elapsed since the work was first undertaken. Mr. Lovejoy stated that nearly all of the right of way from Bay City to Lenox had been secured, and that the thing that was needed most, just at present, was to obtain the necessary funds to construct the road from Lenox to Emmett, a distance of thirteen miles, which he estimated would cost about \$300,000. At Emmett the new road could connect with the Grand Trunk system and thus reach Detroit.

The meeting was also addressed by J. S. Crandell, of Sanilac Center; N. D. Bradley, of Bay City; T. G. Graham, of Peck, and Mr. Walker, of Sanilac Center, explained that all of the inhabitants of the section through which the proposed road would pass if built, are anxious to ship their produce to Detroit and to buy their working supplies of this city. J. S. Crandell stated that out of Sanilac Center alone nearly 4,000 carloads of produce, machinery, coal, lumber, sugar beets and live stock, were shipped last year, the value of which exceeded \$1,250,000. Mr. Crandell also explained that there were many thousands of acres of fertile land which would be settled immediately could settlers have the assurance that an outlet to Detroit would be furnished them at an early date. He stated that it now took from 7 in the morning until 3 p. m. to reach Detroit, a distance of only 85 miles. It was shown that from 50 to 100 carloads of live stock were shipped out of this territory every week in the year, none of which ever reached Detroit. The members of the Chamber of Commerce that were present at the meeting seemed greatly interested in the proposition and a resolution was passed asking that a committee of five be appointed at the next meeting of that body by its president to aid in the promotion of this new road. Mr. Lovejoy explained that only one or two more men were needed to take hold of the proposition to secure its success.

SOME SEASONABLE ARTICLES

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Annual Meeting.

The Sunday school board of the M. E. Church held its annual meeting last Thursday evening, for the election of Sunday school officers, when the following were chosen for the ensuing year; Supt., A. A. P. McDowell; asst. supts., D. H. Kyes, I. A. Fritz; sec'y, F. A. Ellis; treas., Miss Etta Keating; librarian, Miss Anna Scripture; organist, Miss May Landon; chorister, Mrs. F. A. Bigelow; custodian of supplies, Miss Etta Keating; teachers, D. H. Kyes, Mrs. M. W. Gifford, I. A. Fritz, F. A. Bigelow, Miss Zella Beardsley, Mrs. D. H. Kyes, Mrs. D. J. Landon, Mrs. F. A. Bigelow, Miss F. A. Brown, Miss Lottie Bradley, Mrs. J. N. Dorman, Miss Bessie Tanner. Supply teachers, Rev. J. W. Feun, Miss Vera Schell, T. H. Fritz, W. W. Withey, Miss Mina Orr and Miss Zetta Hobart. A library committee was also appointed to review the books now in use and select new ones, the committee consisting of the superintendent, Mrs. D. H. Kyes, Mrs. J. N. Dorman, Mrs. I. A. Fritz and Miss Lida McNair.

Heard about the bargains? Reduction on Skirts at Mrs. Goff's. 1-15-2

Young Men's Alliance.

The first of the regular semi-monthly meetings of the Young Men's Alliance was held at the home of O. K. James Monday evening and was a pronounced success. The first part of the evening was taken up by a literary program, William Cullen Bryant being the author studied. Edward Pinney read a very carefully prepared paper giving the life history of the poet and an estimate of his works. Several of the best of the author's poems were read by different members of the club. A much appreciated solo by Mrs. McLean, college songs lustily sung and a general social time made up the first of many pleasant evenings which this club will enjoy. Any young man may become a member. See Hector McDermott or Harry Pinney about it.

BUCKWHEAT grinding every day at the Roller Mills. 12-25-tf.

SCHOOL NOTES.

Esther Morrison is needed much at home, so will not return to school.

Ethel McGregory, because of ill health, will not return this term.

The first Lyceum this term will occur in the High Room Friday evening, Jan. 23rd.

The actual enrollment in the high school room is 103, 34 of which are non residents.

We congratulate the teachers who have had their rooms papered and hope the good work will go on.

Through the kindness of our School Board, Current Literature and Review of Reviews appear on our reading table.

We are thankful to the patrons who are aiding us in providing places for pupils to work and partly pay for their board and room.

The new students in the High Room this term are Frank Reid, John McGrath, Harry Crandell, Alvah Nash, Tillie McPhail and Frank Scripture.

The superintendent received a letter from the authorities at Hillsdale College this week stating that the graduates of our high school could enter their freshmen class without examination.

An Unseemly Fracas.

Rather an unseemly affair took place Sunday evening at the Opera House block. It seems that a few young men have been using one of the upper rooms for amusement purposes and their conduct becoming somewhat uproarious, complaint was made to A. A. Hitchcock, who raided the room and ordered them out. He was afterwards waylaid outside by one of the number and had it not been for outsiders personal injury to one or both would have likely followed. A pistol shot was fired through the transom of the room during the affair but fortunately did no injury.

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A ROMANCE OF NEW YORK

By AMELIA E. BARR

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CHAPTER IX.—(Continued.)

"One is wanting of the dozen, mother. At the last cake-baking, with the dish of cake sent to Joanna it went. Back it has not come."

"For it you might go, Katherine. I like not that my sets are broken." Katherine blushed scarlet. This was the opportunity she wanted. She wondered if her mother suspected the want; but Lysbet's face expressed only a little worry about the missing damask. Slowly, though her heart beat almost at her lips, she folded away her work.

The nights were yet chilly—though the first blooms were on the trees—and the wadded cloak and hood were not far out of season as to cause remark. As she came down-stairs, the clock struck seven. There was yet an hour, and she durst not wait so long at the bottom of the garden while it was early in the evening. And this singular reluctance to leave home assailed Katherine. If she had known that it was to be forever, her soul could not have more sensibly taken its farewell of all the dear, familiar objects of her daily life. About her mother this feeling culminated. She found her cap a little out of place; and her fingers lingered in the lace, and stroked fondly her hair and pink cheeks, until Lysbet felt almost embarrassed by the tender, but unusual show of affection.

"Now then go, my Katherine. To Joanna give my dear love. Tell her that very good were the cheese-cakes and the krullers and that to-morrow I will come over and see the new carpet they have bought."

And while she spoke she was re-tying Katherine's hood, and admiring as she did so the fair, sweet face in its quiltings of crimson satin, and the small, dimpled chin resting upon the small, dimpled chin under it. Then she followed her to the door and watched her down the road until she saw her meet Dominic Van Linden, and stand a moment holding his hand. "A message I am going for my mother," she said, as she firmly refused his escort. "Then with madam, your mother, I will sit until you return," he replied cheerfully; and Katherine answered, "That will be a great pleasure to her, sir."

A little farther she walked; but suddenly remembering that the dominie's visit would keep her mother in the house, and being made restless by the gathering of the night shadows, she turned quickly and taking the very road up which Hyde had come the night Neil Semple challenged him she entered the garden by a small gate at its foot, which was intended for the gardener's use. The lilacs had not such foliage, but in the dim light her dark, slim figure was undistinguishable behind them. Longingly and anxiously she looked up and down the water way. A mist was gathering over it; and there were no boats in the channel except two pleasure shallops, already tacking to their proper pier. "The Dauntless" had been out of sight for hours. There was not the splash of an oar, and no other river sound at that point, but the low, peculiar "wish-h-h" of the turning tide.

All her senses were keenly on the alert. Suddenly there was the sound of oars, and the measure was that of steady, powerful strokes. She turned her face southward and watched. Like a flash a boat shot out of the shadow—a long, swift boat, that came like a Fate, rapidly and without hesitation, to her very feet. Richard quickly left it, and with a few strokes it was carried back into the dimness of the central channel. Then he turned to the lilac trees.

"Katherine! My love, my wife, my beautiful wife! My true, good heart! Now, at last, my own, nothing shall part us again, Katherine—never again. I have come for you—come at all risks for you. Only five minutes the boat can wait. Are you ready?" "I know not, Richard. My father—my mother—"

"My husband! Say that, also, beloved. Am I not first?"

"If one word I could send them! They suspect me not. They think you are gone. It will kill my father!" "You shall write to them on the ship. There are a dozen fishing boats near it. We will send the letter by one of them. My wife, do you need more persuasion?"

She had no time to consider. Richard was wooing her consent with kisses and entreaties. Her own soul urged her, not only by the joy of his presence, but by the memory of the anguish she had endured that day in the terror of his desertion. She clung to her husband's arm, she lifted her face to his, she said softly, but clearly, "I will go with you, Richard. With you I will go. Where to, I care not at all."

They stepped into the boat, and Hyde said, "Ours." Not a word was spoken. He held her within his left arm, close to his side, and partially covered with his military cloak. All the past was behind her. She had done what was irrevocable. For joy or for sorrow, her place was forever at her husband's side. Richard knew that every doubt and fear had vanished when her hand stole into his hand, when she slightly lifted her face and whispered, "Richard."

During that same hour Joris was in the town council. There had been a

"If, if she his lawful wife be! Say not 'if' in my hearing; say not 'if' to my Katherine." "When a girl runs away from her home—" "With her husband she went; keep that in mind when people speak to thee." "What kind of a husband will he be to her?" "Well, then, I think not bad of him. Nearer home there are worse men. I think my Katherine is happy; and happy with her I will be, though the child in her joy I see not."

While they were eating an early dinner, Joanna came in, sad and tearful. "What, then, is the matter with thee?" asked Lysbet, with great composure. "O, mother, my Katherine! My sister Katherine!" "I thought perhaps thou had heard news of Batavus." "Yes, sister Katherine hath married a very fine gentleman, and she is happy. For thou must remember that all the good men do not come from Dordrecht."

"I am glad that so you take it. I thought in very great sorrow you would be." "See that you do not say such words to any one, Joanna. Very angry I will be if I hear them. Batavus, also, he must be quiet on this matter."

"O, then, Batavus has many things of greater moment to think about! Of Katherine he never approved, and the talk there will be, he will not like it. Before from Boston he comes back, I shall be glad to have it over." "Joanna, many will praise Katherine, for she to herself has done well. And, when back she comes, at the governor's she will visit, and with all the great ladies; and not one among them will be so lovely as Katherine Hyde."

And, if Joanna had been in Madam Semple's parlor a few hours later she would have had a most decided illustration of Lysbet's faith in the popular verdict. Madam was sitting at her tea table talking to the elder, who had brought home with him the full supplement to Joanna's story.

Neil had heard nothing. He had been shut up in his office all day over an important suit and was irritable with exhaustion, though he was doing his best to keep himself in control, and when madam his mother said pointedly, "I'm fearing, Neil, that the bad news has made you ill; you arena at all like yourself," he asked without much interest, "What bad news?"

"The news 'anent Katherine Van Heemskirk." "What of her?" he asked. "Didna you hear? She ran away last night w' Capt. Hyde; stole away w' him on 'The Dauntless.'"

"She would have the right to go with him, I have no doubt," said Neil with guarded calmness. "Do you really think she is his wife?"

"If she went with him, I am sure she was." He dropped the words with an emphatic precision, and looked with gloomy eyes out of the window; gloomy, but steadfast, as if he were trying to face a future in which there was no hope.

"But if she isna?" persisted madam. "In a moment Neil let slip the rein in which he had been holding himself, and in a slow, intense voice answered, 'I shall make it my business to find out. If Katherine is married, God bless her! If she is not, I will follow Hyde around the world until I cleave his false heart in two.' His passion gathered with its utterance. He pushed away his chair, and put down his cup so indifferently that it missed the table and fell with a crash.

Joris tried to put the memory of Katherine away, but he could not accomplish a miracle. The girl's face was ever before him. He felt her caressing fingers linked in his own, and as he walked in his house and his garden, her small feet pattered beside him. For as there are in creation invisible bonds that do not break like mortal bonds, so also there are correspondences subsisting between souls, despite the separation of distance.

(To be continued.)

Oh, He's All Right. Of course, every young mother thinks her baby the center of the universe. There have been several boy babies born in the little town of A— during the past summer. This is not intended as a startling piece of news, because their arrivals have been duly and appropriately chronicled, but it is only stated as the basis of a little joke.

Some days ago four of the happy young mothers, all of whom had fine boys at home, met in one of the large shops. They completed their purchases about the same time. As they were all leaving the place, within speaking distance of each other, a fresh young assistant, in an effort to be pleasant, fired the stereotyped question at one of them, "How is the boy, to-day?"

In an instant four beaming faces were turned towards him and four pleased voices answered in chorus, "Oh, he's all right, thank you." The assistant nearly faint.

Had She an X-Ray Eye? They had not been married very long, and that complete blissful trust which young husbands and wives have in each other had not yet been broken. But one morning wife meekly remarked:

"I mended the hole in your trousers-pocket last night after you had gone to bed, John dear. Now, am I not a thoughtful little wife?"

Husband (dubiously): "Well—or—ye, ye, you are thoughtful enough, my dear. But how the mischief did you discover that there was a hole in my pocket?"

Illinois Horticulturists Meet. The Illinois State Horticultural Society held its 47th annual meeting at the State University of Illinois, Urbana, Dec. 17 to 19. The attendance was good. The fruit exhibit was unusually good and occupied two rooms in the agricultural building.

Cultivation and care of the orchard was treated by W. S. Perrine in an interesting paper. He said that bearing orchards should be cultivated and have cover crops to keep the soil in condition. If hilly orchards are to be cultivated at all, it must be only to seed at once, to prevent washing. The orchard on level land should be sown to clover peas.

Prof. T. J. Burrill talked on the bitter rot of the apple and the efforts made to control it by spraying. Spraying infected trees showed some results in favor of spraying, but not enough to warrant its advocacy. Practically all that can be done with the spray is to prevent the bitter rot by covering the apples with the spraying solution before the coming of the disease. Prof. Stinson of Missouri said that in his state it had been found to be a most difficult matter to protect the trees against bitter rot. One season the spray seemed to prevent rot, while the next year the spray would be found to be ineffective.

H. L. Doan talked on cultivating and pruning the peach tree. He advocated planting 20 feet apart each way. Peach orchards should not be cropped after the third year. It is easy to produce an over-growth on strong lands. These trees bear tardily and are not productive. They run to wood. Peaches that overgrow are likely to suffer in winter.

The farmer's garden was discussed by J. L. Hartwell. He said that in addition to the tools needed, every farmer should have some kind of a horse cultivator, a wheel hoe and a garden seeder. A greasy rag is a necessary accompaniment of this outfit and should be applied to every tool as often as used. I have seen but few spades that are not rusty, and the average farm hoe is entirely unusable.

Mr. James Handy spoke on the benefits of organization. He said that local organizations although comprising but few members, could be profitably established in all neighborhoods.

Pruning of the apple orchard was the subject of an illustrated lecture by Prof. John Craig of Cornell University. He said that trees should not be allowed to develop according to their natural tendencies. He had seen such orchards knotted and broken after many years. Low heading, he said, was becoming the accepted method of shaping trees in this country; as this gave a well-shaped head and protected the trunk from sun-scaud.

Prof. S. A. Forbes, state entomologist, reported on his inspection of nurseries in Illinois, during the past year. The total number inspected was 291, three others remaining to be inspected. There are 294 nurseries in the state. The total cost of inspecting these 291 nurseries was \$1,066.11, an average expense of \$3.69 per nursery. This is 40 cents more than the average cost of last year, which was \$3.40. During the past year 24,231 trees received a thorough insecticide treatment, and 1,119 trees were destroyed as worthless on account of the extent to which they were infested by the San Jose scale. About 20 miles of Osage Orange hedge had been inspected, of which about 16 miles of it was found to be infested with the San Jose Scale.

Prof. John W. Lloyd told of the experiments made to ascertain the possibility of controlling the second brood of the codling moth. He advocated spraying as the only thing that would in any way check the insect at this time.

The growing and the keeping of fruit for exhibition was treated by E. A. Riehl of Alton. Trees should be in perfect condition as to health and vigor if they were to be expected to bear fruit that would be exhibitable. This means that the orchard must receive good cultivation, not only during the year when the show fruit is borne, but for several years previous to that. With both apples and pears we must spray against both insect and fungus pests. Sacking helps the fruit by keeping off insects and improving the color of the fruit. Pick the fruit when it is mature, but do not allow it to hang too long on the trees and become over-ripe. Peach trees should be so pruned that the branches will permit the sun to reach the fruit early in the day, which will help to color up the fruit. Peaches to be shown should also be thinned.

J. W. Stanton talked on the marketing of fruit and the organization of shipping associations. He believed that the fruit grower lost much of the results of his labor by having to sell at a disadvantage. More shipping associations should be formed, and those associations should co-operate. He mentioned successful associations as existing at Villa Ridge and Anna. Dishonest packers should be expelled from the associations whenever discovered, as their methods always injured other shippers.

Prof. Craig of Cornell talked on cover crops for the orchard. Illustrating his remarks by means of lantern slides. Experiments had shown that



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under cover crops frost does not penetrate as deeply as where the ground is left bare. A blue grass sod is found to be a good protection, and in certain experiments the frost was found to have penetrated only twelve inches under blue grass sod, while under no cover it penetrated to a depth of 18 inches. Soy beans had been found to be a valuable cover crop in New York, as had vetch and the clovers. The old idea of fallowing is fallacious; as land only loses in fertility by being allowed to remain uncovered in summer. In the East the conservation of fertility is the burning question, while in the West the conservation of moisture is the first consideration. Tillage is important, but if the soil is kept bare it is dangerous. The use ofillage should be joined to the use of a cover crop. If humus is not added to the soil tillage will cause it to lose its fertility.

O. C. Simonds of Chicago gave an illustrated talk on parks and public grounds for villages and small towns. He advocated the use of native wild plants in the decoration of small parks and highways.

Mrs. E. B. Freeman read a most interesting paper on wild flowers for home decoration. She named a large number of wild flowers that she had found very ornamental for the decoration of the home grounds.

A. V. Schermerhorn talked on spraying experiments. Spraying is the most important of all the orchard operations. Success in spraying can only be attained by having the proper spraying materials. Many had failed by reason of the poor quality of the Paris green used by them.

E. S. Titus sent a paper, which was read by Professor Forbes. It treated of the curculio as a pest of the apple. Senator Dunlap said that he had found the curculio to be his worst pest in the apple orchard. It was worst on the side of the orchard adjoining an old hedge, which evidently acted as a harbor.

On Thursday evening, after the close of the evening session, 81 members sat down to a banquet at the Beardsley Hotel. This is a new feature at the Illinois convention, and proved to be a great success.

The election of officers by the association resulted in the following choice: President, H. A. Aldrich, Neoga; vice president, H. L. Doan, Jacksonville; secretary, L. R. Bryant, Princeton; treasurer, J. W. Stanton, Richview. The executive board for the coming year will consist of H. A. Aldrich, L. R. Bryant, H. T. Thompson, J. L. Hartwell, G. J. Foster, J. R. Reasoner, J. W. Stanton, A. V. Schermerhorn.

Cow Peas in the Orchard. On fifteen acres of a ten-year-old orchard, which the preceding year had been cultivated in corn and previously had been down to pasture, clay soil no better nor worse than thousands of acres of land in the southern part of the state, nine acres of cow peas were sown broadcast, June 3, 1901. The balance of the orchard was cultivated at the same time, but received no further attention, except about one acre, which was planted in potatoes. The peas came on well, and in ten days had covered the ground. One could see but little difference in the early part of the season, but by the first of August the hot, dry weather began to tell. Where the potatoes were, the leaves on the trees were brown and looked dark and the fruit dropped badly. On the five-acre part the same condition prevailed, but perhaps not to so great an extent, while where the peas were the trees looked thrifty and the foliage dark and green. Many a passer-by remarked, "What makes those trees look so thrifty, while others show the effects of the drought?" When picking time came the real difference was apparent; the potato patch yielded neither apples nor potatoes. The potatoes were not worth digging, and three barrels of No. 2 fruit was the best it yielded. The five acres did some better, but it is enough to say that the sorting table was never carried beyond the edge of the peas. September 16 a high wind blew off a good many. I picked up and shipped twenty-eight barrels and took about sixty bushels to the cider mill. The balance hung on remarkably well, and when picked October 12 yielded 97 barrels. The apples were large, even and high colored, and I was offered 50 cents per barrel more for this fruit, orchard run, than for any other.—A. P. Darby.

Study of Agriculture in Schools. The days are not far distant when agriculture will be a regular branch of study in all schools in the cities as well as in the country. More than that, it will be a regular branch of university training. Secretary Wilson says: New institutions for the advancement of the study of husbandry are being established. While there are many agricultural colleges in the country that are doing great work for the advancement of scientific husbandry, by giving the farmers an opportunity to educate their sons in the science of agriculture, it is to be regretted that it is not given more attention by state universities. The study of agriculture should be a part of the university training and should be taken up on entering school and continued until graduation. The earlier the study is taken up the better. It should not only be taught in the universities, but in the minor schools and colleges. I believe that even as a primary study it would be productive of much good, and in fact, the instruction should begin with the very beginning of a child's education.

Dishonesty is a forsaking of permanent for temporary advantages.—Bovee.

Thanked by Thousands

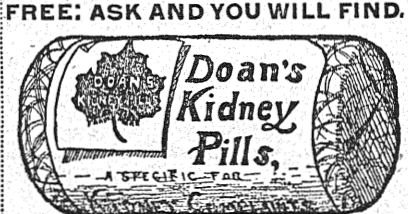
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THE GAME OF GOLF.

How Exercise May Be Dangerous for Aged Beginners.

The sneer that golf is a game only for those not agile and venturesome enough for games of greater danger has long ago faded from golf criticism, and now it has actually come to pass that golf is arranged as a game dangerous for men who may be described as "aged." It is said that if a man all through his life has followed sedentary habits, allowing his muscles to become weak and flabby, particularly those muscles in the region of the heart, golf may very easily prove too severe a strain for his system. But in the pages of a golf journal this view is partially criticized by one who did not begin the game till he was very near the neighborhood of sixty. He declares that it is a matter of beginning gently, and he tells us that in his own case he does not find two rounds a day particularly exhausting. At the same time he confesses that he has always been an enthusiast for outdoor exercise, and is inclined to think that for a man who has never taken physical exercise—rather a rare experience—it may be a little exhausting to begin with. It is all a matter of not overdoing it at first, but, unfortunately, so attractive is the game that the oldest beginners are tempted to go in for it rather more vigorously than is wise.

The result of all this latest posturing seems to be that like everything else in life it is wisdom at the outset to "go slow," and this is a verdict that "aged beginners" should lay to heart.

Surprised Card Party. Three civil engineers while traveling from Amiens to Paris began to play cards on an apparently abandoned lunch basket of large dimensions, which had been lying on the hat rack.

It appeared to be rather heavy, but they supposed it to be full of plates. The basket was placed on end and a leather portfolio placed on the top to form a table.

Suddenly they were startled to hear loud cries, which came from the basket. It was opened, and a three-month-old baby was found inside.

The baby was neatly dressed, and bore a card, on which was written: "To be delivered to Mmo. Forsey, Creuil."

The three men did their best to keep the child quiet until the train stopped at the next station. It was Creuil, and there a respectfully dressed woman came forward and claimed to be the owner of the baby.

It appears that the child had been put out to nurse near Boulogne, not having received any pay, the nurse had adopted this way of sending the child back to his mother.—London Express.

STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, ss. Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is the senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County of Lucas State of Ohio, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every copy of Catarrh Cure that cannot be cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh Cure.

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They Were Strangers.

A certain German professor of music to be met with in English drawing-rooms is an entertaining old gentleman.

"To him recently a lady said, when one of his compositions had just been rendered by one of the guests: 'How did you like the rendering of your song, professor?'"

"'Was not my song?'" replied the professor, "I did not know him."

"I wish," said the rabbit who found himself in the box constrictor's cage, "that the Monroe doctrine prevailed in this menagerie." "What do you mean?" inquired his snakehip, "I wouldn't mind getting a good scare now and then if I could only be guaranteed against being swallowed alive."—Washington Star.

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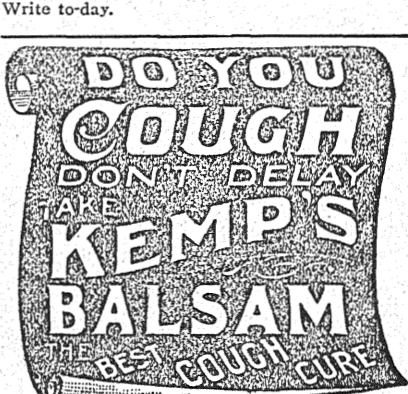


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Philosophical Observations



By BYRON WILLIAMS.

Men and women work assiduously to become famous, but in their discouraged hours they occasionally think of the quotations: "What's in a name?" and "A rose by any other name would smell as sweet." Those who have become famous tell the strivers there is nothing of satisfaction in it. "What is fame?" they ask, and then again, after some slight, comes this indignant burst: "Such is fame!" It is told of an English lady and her daughter that they passed a portrait of Washington hanging in an art gallery. The daughter, looking intently at the picture asked, "And who was Washington, mother?"

"Washington—Washington—Oh, he was the author of 'The Sketch Book,' my child!"

A guide showing visitors about the home of Shakespeare, in answer to a roguish inquiry from a wag, thought Shakespeare was remembered "because he writ somethin'!"

But to combat this we add: When a small boy, along with a dozen "camping out" friends, we ate gophers served under the name of squirrels by the cook, who was a practical joker. The name in that case "had everything to do with it," as it often has. In fact it may be good judgment to insist there is considerable in a name after all. Young authors who sell their writings entirely on their merits could never be induced to believe there is nothing in a name. The famous authors can palm off gophers for squirrels a part of the time, but the beginner must have squirrel every time. Buyers of manuscript are unanimous in saying that merit wins, independent of name, but a close observer will notice that the well-known name is the magic sesame that opens the purse of the publisher and points his decision to the usual avenues.

Matter of extra merit is always acceptable, no matter by whom. It is the average writings, the volume of the whole, that demand a name to market them.

If the rose is beyond compare it is as sweet by any other name, but being no better nor worse than hundreds of its like, it sells best under the name of a favorite bloomer. So it is with writing. To be a writer and enjoy life one should be cheerfully constituted to keep on scribbling for the joy of it, with success as a secondary consideration.

What is true of writers is true of other lines. The same law holds good. There is something in a name. If you don't believe it, sign J. Pierpont Morgan's name to a check instead of your own and note the difference in developments.

A good old lady who reads the daily papers and is not versed in modern parlance, especially slang, wants to know what a "water wagon" is! Her attention was called to the matter by recurrent remarks about a ride on said wagon along about January 1, 1903. What in the world any man wanted to ride on a sprinkling cart for she couldn't understand, especially in zero weather. She wonders, therefore, if there isn't some other kind of a water wagon!

She seeks enlightenment at a poor fount of knowledge. The best man to see about garden truck is a gardener; about painting, an artist; about liver complaint, a doctor. Observing the same law, the best man to interview regarding a water wagon is a man who has taken a ride on it. Not having had this experience and having been born in Kentucky, where no water wagon is allowed, we refer the seeker of knowledge to a man who is versed in stomach ailments. We understand, however, that a water-wagon is what drinkers say they are on when they have quit drinking. Carrie Nation could not appropriately ride on such a wagon because she has never been a tippler as we understand it. Edgar Allan Poe could have mounted the vehicle with appropriateness and benefit. If Rip Van Winkle had clambered onto the front seat just before drinking with the little geezers in the mountain, he would never have had such a distracting experience and Joe Jefferson might have been a country editor or a horse jockey. Many a man who has pickled himself in whisky and delirium tremens in the days of yore, might have been saved by a water wagon, then undiscovered. To get onto the wagon all one has to do is to stop drinking at midnight December 31 and hang on all through the year. The water wagon is like perpetual motion. It never stops. The man who rides on the wagon and stops to take a drink always gets left. This is one of the rules and regulations. A water wagon is a good thing. It should be as popular all the year round as it is January 1. Usually it starts out heavily loaded like a Chicago street car the day before Christmas, but when it arrives at the Rubicon of the new year there is left only the driver and a few "dead soldiers." This is easy on the horses, but it is confounded hard on the passengers. "Long live the water wagon!"

A few minutes ago we wrote about the water wagon and its popularity, and inadvertently used the expression "dead soldiers." An office stenographer who is paid for passing judgment on all our literary efforts wants to know what in creation a "dead soldier" is. The ignorance of these women is alarming. We no sooner explain to one the meaning of the expression, "a water wagon," than up bobs another and interrogates regarding a "dead soldier."

A dead soldier, in this sense, is not a patriotic individual who has died for his country and lies peacefully asleep in the folds of "old glory." It is a beer bottle drained of the amber fluid and cast aside, a whisky receptacle from which the Dante's inferno has been drained, a gin canteen relieved of its snakes, or any liquor container which has done all the damage it can and has "fallen by the wayside." Dead soldiers are often found in the city but occur with great frequency and startling postures in the prohibition districts. Occasionally some rural wag will leave one on the minister's front porch as a reminder that the millennium is still lost to sight in the mirage ahead. Small boys out gathering pond lilies unexpectedly locate dead soldiers bobbing about in the lily pads, and use them for fishline floats. A fish which bites a hook suspended from a dead soldier has no more chance of dying than a natural death than the man who killed the soldier. It is a cinch for the bottle in both instances. Dead soldiers are sometimes used by mother for storing away soft soap. When Johnnie makes a collection for the junk man, he empties out the soap and completes the even dozen bottles with the soldier. The beer man souses out most of the soap and fills 'er up again for the murderous fellow who would rather kill a soldier than be a gentleman!

Many jokes are told on the country editor. The rural scribe, being a good natured individual as a class, is prone to help the fun along by occasionally telling a "good one" on himself. Perhaps this is the reason why he is so often the brunt of a joke. Here is one, told by a "plate" house, a firm that sends out stereotyped columns of reading matter for use in country papers. The buyer does not buy the plate, he merely purchases the use of it, and the metal is to be returned for remelting and recasting. The story is told to illustrate how often the country editor will, in a pinch, print over and over the same plate matter. In fact, it is claimed that many a country reader grows as familiar with certain articles thus presented, as with the editorial card of the paper. The plate makers sell the use of plates on a narrow margin and must continually follow up their metal and urge its return. It is supposed, of course, to be used but once. The firm above mentioned had sold a page of metal to a certain country editor two years before and was still unable to get a return of the metal. At last, much exasperated, the manager telegraphed the editor and demanded by wire that which did not materialize when asked for by mail. During the day, in response to his message, came a reply collect: "You go to thunder, them plates ain't half wore out yet!" Now, whenever a customer protests at the price of plates, the manager gets out this telegram and presents it for the edification of the objecting purchaser.

A Kansas judge has decided that a hypnotist may bury his wife alive if he chooses. Why should the hypnotist be denied this privilege when other men are not thus restricted? There are some women, not the wives of hypnotists, who are enduring what is known as a "living death." Others are as completely buried from pleasure and comfort as the hypnotist's wife when underground—and more so, for they have no nice, soft cushions on which to recline. They never rest in mind and only partially in body. They are slaves to a driver who uses the lash. By nature woman is cheerful and happy. It is every husband's duty to preserve in his wife these qualities as fresh and rosy as possible. His pleasures should be hers and hers his—otherwise they are apt to be questionable. The hypnotist's wife is lucky compared to the wives of some neglectful lords and masters.

HEALTHY WOMEN

Praise Pe-ru-na as a Cure for Colds and a Preventive of Catarrh.



the first symptoms of catching cold he should at once begin the use of Peru-na according to directions on the bottle, and the cold is sure to pass away without leaving any bad effects. Unless this is done the cold is almost sure to end in the second stage of catarrh, which is making so many lives miserable. If Peru-na was taken every time one has a cold or cough, chronic catarrh would be practically an unknown disease.

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how glad I felt when it began to relieve me in a very short time. In less than two weeks I was completely cured."—Sybil A. Hadley.

Miss Sarah McGahan, No. 197 Third street, Albany, N. Y., writes: "A few months ago I suffered with a severe attack of influenza, which nothing seemed to relieve. My hearing became bad, my eyes became irritated and feverish. Nothing seemed right and nothing I ate tasted good. I took PERUNA and within two weeks I was perfectly well."—Sarah McGahan.

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A Serious Mistake Which Thousands Are Making.

The first stage of catarrh is what is commonly known as "catching cold." It may be in the head, nose, throat or lungs. Its beginning is sometimes so severe as to cause a chill and considerable fever, or it may be so slight as to not hinder a person from his usual business. In perhaps a majority of cases little or no attention is paid to the first stage of catarrh, and hence it is that nearly one-half of the people have chronic catarrh in some form. To neglect a cold is to invite chronic catarrh. As soon as any one discovers

WORKMEN FIND A "BIRD STONE."
Fine Specimen of Prehistoric Relic Unearthed at Streator, Ill.

A fine specimen of the prehistoric "bird stone" was unearthed at Streator, Ill., by workmen employed by the Chicago & Alton railroad. It is five and a half inches long and an inch and a half high, and archeologists have pronounced it a magnificent specimen.

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Many theories regarding the use made of "bird stones" are fanciful. It has been asserted that they were worn by married Indian women. Again, it is claimed that "bird stones" were worn by Indian conjurers, and still another guess is that they were bound to the prows of canoes. It has also been guessed that they were employed in playing a game; that they were tokens of tribes and clans, and that they were talismans in some way connected with the hunt for water fowl.

This "bird stone" unearthed by the Chicago & Alton engineers must have been hammered or pecked into shape, and afterward ground to its present form, and then polished diligently, for it is nearly as smooth as glass. Consideration of the then existing conditions demonstrates the difficulty of making the object and the dexterity and workmanship required.

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Yesterday the big power dam at the Ox Bow was working finely, the water had completely filled the huge reservoir and tonight the complete lighting system of the city was to have been furnished from the new plant. Just on the verge of this accomplishment, the big gate gave way as the result of a break in one of the shafts of the hoist, and the river is once more flowing peacefully on at the old level. It will take about two days to get things in shape again.—Caro Courier.

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Healy Clark, appointed deputy commissioner of railroads by Commissioner Atwood, lives just outside of Caro, near the home of his chief. He handles the real estate and mortgage interests of his uncle, Dorus Healy, of Dansville, N. Y., which are extensive in this section. He is 44 years of age and enjoys a reputation for probity as extensive as his wide acquaintance. Born and raised in Steuben county, N. Y., he located at Caro 17 years ago. His family consists of a wife and two children.

The peculiar cough which indicates croup is usually well known to the mothers of croupy children. No time should be lost in the treatment of it, and for this purpose no medicine has received more universal approval than Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Do not waste valuable time in experimenting with untried remedies; no matter how highly they may be recommended, but give this medicine as directed and all symptoms of croup will quickly disappear. For sale at Bond's Drug Store, Cass City; F. A. Francis, Kingston.

W. H. Manning attempted to burn soft coal in a hard-coal stove last Monday evening. It appeared to work all right, but about midnight the family was awakened, almost suffocated with coal gas. Doors and windows were opened, but none of the members of the family were able to stand on their feet. In attempting to walk Mr. Manning fell, with a lighted lamp in his hands, but fortunately the flame was extinguished in the fall. All were quite sick, but are recovering.—Imley City Times.

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Some people argue for the saloon by saying that the workman has no other place to go in the evenings. This is preposterous. He has his home, or if he has not, he could have if he did not waste his earnings on that which ruins him, body and soul, if there were not so many saloons where workmen congregate to contribute their earnings to the saloonkeepers, so that they would live in houses for themselves, the workmen might have good homes for themselves, their wives and children. If their present homes are not attractive they might improve them by wasting their money in the saloons. As an institution the saloon is the perpetual enemy of the home, the workingman, his wife and his children.—Exchange.

CORN AS HEN FEED.

It is Not a Good Eggmaker and Should Not Be Fed in Excess.
One reason why farmers do not realize more from their poultry, I believe, is because they make corn the main diet. Corn is considered by them to be the cheapest feed and the handiest to feed, for by throwing it out on the car the hens are given more or less exercise in picking it off; hence the owner is saved the labor of scattering grain in the litter for the fowls to scratch out. But I have little faith in this plan of exercising and feeding fowls. With a good many farmers corn is probably a cheap food, but even this depends somewhat on the season of the year, the climate and whether the hens have free range or not. In cold weather corn may be fed quite liberally to laying stock without injury, and also to fowls having farm range, but when given in the way that many feed it, by spreading it on the ground before the hens three times a day, all they will eat, I believe that it is expensive hen feed.

Very many attribute the increase of eggs to corn, when in fact the corn has produced eggs more by keeping the hens warm than through the supply of egg elements afforded. Eggs cannot be made to any great extent by corn alone, or for a long time, for the reason that a hen fed nothing but corn will be unable to supply the mineral elements of the eggs, and while she may be eating largely of corn find sufficient nitrogen for an egg, she will sooner or later become excessively fat from too much carbon. A very economical and good feed for winter egg production is a mixture of clover, cut in half inch lengths and scalded, with cornmeal and bran. This is a very complete ration on all the elements necessary for eggs. It supplies bulky food, promotes digestion, affords a variety and costs less than any other food that I have been able to get.

When a hen leaves corn for other feed, it means that she wants something not fully supplied by corn. Without exception the best results may be had from a varied diet, and, while a hen may do very well on corn, she will do better on a variety. It is not an easy matter to make up a perfectly balanced ration for a laying hen. While she is producing eggs she will use a vast amount of raw material, but if she stops laying a corn diet will soon ruin her. A concentrated food for hens should be avoided. Milk added daily to other food assists largely in supplying many needed elements not easily obtained from other sources. Clover, vegetables, milk, meat and corn or wheat are better than any single article.—V. M. Couch in Poultry Monthly.

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Harry Justin aged 19 years son of Clark Justin, whose home is a half mile west and three miles north of Brown City and who has been working in a livery stable at Avoca, 8 miles east of Yale the past month was struck by an east bound Pere Marquette snow plow at 8 p. m. Wednesday and instantly killed. His body was thrown 25 feet in the air his neck broken and his leg crushed and broken in two places. The young man was in the act of crossing the track going to the depot mistook the snow plow which was going at full speed for the express which he supposed was to stop at the station. The corpse was brought to Brown City on the afternoon train Thursday and conveyed to his parental home.—Brown City Banner.

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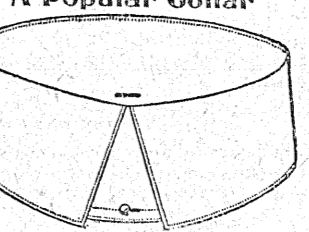
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This is no holiday season for the sultan of Morocco.

The Hague tribunal is in for a scolding no matter how it may decide.

Afred Austin's cold tea will serve nicely to wash down Rudyard Kipling's brandy.

John L. Sullivan says he is "broke but happy." Evidently somebody had the price.

If it is an old epigram worked over, the probability is that Tom Reed never said it.

It is only polite to look the other way when your vegetarian friend is pricing fat turkeys.

May Yohe, Strong as ever, is back home again. Let's cut that combination out from now on.

Advice to those about to eat candy sent to them through the mails: Wait till you find out who sent it.

Hello! The telephone man thinks he can fly. Many who have used his first invention have felt like doing so.

Queen Alexandra's hobby is clocks, and she possesses hundreds of them—not counting any on the royal stockings.

Sir William Hingston says there is danger in the surgeon's knife. We have for some time suspected as much.

It was a man by the name of B. Ware who introduced the anti-kissing bill in the Virginia legislature. He'll have to.

Dr. Lorenz, we fear, will return to Vienna with an impression that the United States is a nation of middle-some gossipers.

There is consolation for all who are in trouble. For instance, a New York man who is out of work has just been blessed with twins.

The government has added four buffaloes to its small herd in Yellowstone park, and they cost considerably more than 11 cents apiece.

"Women speechless in electric cars," says a news item from New York. The account goes on to state that they were partly paralyzed. Shocking! Shocking!

Sullivan and Corbett acted as waiters at the Salvation Army Christmas dinner in Toledo. The best of order prevailed from beginning to end of the festivities.

The wisdom of J. Pierpont Morgan can no longer be doubted. He has just gone to considerable trouble and expense in order to settle a lawsuit out of court.

At a prize fight in Butte, Mont., a few nights ago the women who were present are reported to "have forgotten themselves and shouted." Why, how unladylike!

There is considerable agitation in army circles just now over the color of stripe to be worn on trousers. And still men continue to talk about the vanity of woman!

The clerks, male and female, in one of Chicago's department stores are now designated by the management as "salespersons." Slowly but surely the line is being obliterated.

The meat question shows that when the consumer has once been started in the way of paying high prices it is hard for him to get others to let him break himself of the habit.

London chemists have conceived a new compound which they call carbon ylidicarbimodiphenylbenzylthiocarbamide. It sounds like Dutch for automobile, and may in fact be almost as deadly.

The Marconi people say that they are able now to handle 1,000 words an hour across the ocean. That is good, but it will evidently be some time before they will be able to keep up with a sewing circle.

Prof. A. Graham Bell denies that he has invented a flying machine; he says that he has merely rigged a kite so that it will descend gently. The public may now rightly expect much from Mr. Bell.

"The world has less and less use," remarks the Nebraska State Journal, "for the young man who drinks whiskey." While the young man, if he drinks enough whiskey, has no use whatever for the world.

Carnegie denies the report that he is going to give his little daughter a \$2,500,000 house. He says he doesn't want the child to get a notion that she has "great expectations." Still, it will be a wonder if anybody doesn't tell her about it.

A man who had lived by begging, who had slept in ash barrels, and whose clothes were the cast-off garments of other people, died in Toronto the other day, leaving \$100,000 in cash. This proves conclusively that it can't be taken along.

THE NEWS OF MICHIGAN.

The Price of Sugar Beets.

In view of the agitation among the farmers in regard to demanding \$6 a ton for their sugar beets next season...

Mr. Clergue Says It.

The final conference between F. H. Clergue, general manager of the Lake Superior Consolidated, and the representatives of the company...

She Got Seven Years.

Dr. California Smith, of Grand Rapids, who was convicted of manslaughter, was sentenced to seven years in the Detroit House of Correction...

Dr. Griswold Convicted.

Dr. Roy W. Griswold, of Bay City, the doctor whom E. T. Bennett engaged to attend Agnes Eberstein in a local hotel, the girl dying after treatment...

State Appropriations.

The various state institutions are preparing to ask the legislature for appropriations aggregating \$6,500,000, the largest single item being the estimate of \$735,050 for the state university...

Must Pay the Fee.

The Sanitary Food Co. is a concern holding a charter under the laws of South Dakota, but with headquarters and a factory at Benton Harbor...

Down a Coal Shaft.

Anthony Leymanski, living in Bay City, and employed at Salzburg mine, stepped into the mouth of an open shaft and went to the bottom, a distance of 110 feet...

Take Off the Birds.

Deputy State Game Warden Bedell, of Menominee, says all milliners and women who wear hats trimmed with certain kinds of birds protected by law...

Convicted of Manslaughter.

Jennie California Smith, of Grand Rapids, called a "doctor," was found guilty in the Superior Court of manslaughter in causing the death of Bertha Van Norman, a 16-year-old girl...

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The severest snow storm of the season prevailed at Marshall Monday night. All trains were late. The thermometer registered 10 degrees below zero.

Alexander L. Parker dropped dead in the depot at Mulliken. He was a notary public and retired farmer. He leaves a widow in comfortable circumstances.

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Millions of Profits.

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The coal trust formerly handled all the coal which was sold in Washington. Now it is handling less than 10 per cent of the coal and the independent operators are doing the business.

The Reading company, which is the master spirit in the combine, formerly sold to one firm here 1,000 tons daily. Now it is sending two or three tons a day. The reason for this is that the Reading Co.'s coal is being sold through the independent operators at \$12 a ton. That which is sold as Reading coal brings only \$7 a ton. The difference represents the profit. It is understood that the trust is really using the independent operator as its agent and is thereby enabled to make the tremendous profits.

If the same extortion is being practiced elsewhere as in Washington, the extra profits to the coal trust and the independent operators are approximately \$20,000,000 a week. The senate committee is having difficulty in securing the names of the independent operators who have gone into partnership with the coal trust for this emergency.

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Seven degrees below zero was the record at St. Paul, Monday night. Moorhead, Minn., reports 18 below. Duluth 6 below. Lacrosse, Wis., 8 below. Fuel is scarce, and, although there is not yet an actual famine, there is much suffering.

Zero weather prevailed in Kansas City at 7 o'clock Monday morning. Suffering because of lack of fuel is severe. Similar conditions exist at all points throughout this part of the southwest.

Two-tenths of a degree above zero was the record at Cincinnati, O., Monday morning. Fortunately Cincinnati has no coal famine.

The coldest temperature of the winter was recorded at Cleveland Monday, 4 degrees below zero. At other points in northern Ohio the temperature fell to 8 below. The scarcity of fuel in many quarters caused much suffering.

King Alfonso Shot At. As King Alfonso, Drogart Queen Christina and the court were returning from church Saturday afternoon a man who afterward gave his name as Felto, fired a pistol at one of the carriages in the royal procession. The bullet went wild and no one was injured.

The escort of civil guards threw themselves upon the would-be-assassin and overpowered him. Felto, when taken to the police station, said he did not desire to kill the king, but the grand chamberlain, the duke of Sotomayor, at whose carriage he had aimed. He was searched and in his pockets were found unmailed letters marked "registered" and addressed to President Roosevelt, King Edward, the emperor of Germany and the president of the high court of justice at Mexico, and also receipts for a number of registered letters and a visiting card of the mayor of Madrid.

Judge Hazen, in the District Court at Topeka, Kans., decided that the Bible could be read in the public schools of Kansas and also that Sunday theaters could be held in Topeka without molestation. Both cases were vigorously contested.

Cholera is depopulating the Moro villages on the east shore of Lake Lanao, Mindanao. The disease also prevails at Bacolod. At Maclin the deaths average 50 a day.

A Chesapeake & Ohio Coal Co. official says that the soft coal miners in the West Virginia coal fields are preparing to strike for a big advance in wages about April 1.

Just as he resumed his seat at the conclusion of a speech accepting the presidency of the United States, R. L. board of aldermen, Emmanuel L. Simmons expired in his chair.

Henry Phipps, of New York, has given \$300,000 to establish an institution in Philadelphia, to treat and study consumption, with an additional endowment to provide a yearly income of \$40,000, making the total \$1,500,000.

A direct freight carrying road from the Soo to St. Ignace will be laid out in the new electric line which, it is announced, will be built early in the spring. The run will be made in an hour, with power from the Michigan Lake Superior Power Co.

It is stated that if the reports of the experts who have been examining the property of the Consolidated Lake Superior Co. make favorable reports, a further loan of \$10,000,000 will be granted. This will be used to push especially the Algoma Central railroad.

Clarence Rein, of New Orleans, is under arrest at San Francisco, charged with swindling the Western Union Telegraph Co. out of \$20,000 by manipulating telegraph money orders of the Fruit Dispatch Co. His alleged pal, Andrew Houser, is under arrest at New Orleans.

Mrs. Mary Kline and her infant child died in the San Francisco emergency hospital from the effects of burn received at their home. Before dying, Mrs. Kline declared that Mrs. Mary Davis had come into their room and thrown a burning lamp over the bed in which she and her babe lay.

When the Baltimore & Ohio passenger train arrived at Columbus, O., from Cincinnati the body of a female colored child, wrapped in an old skirt was found hanging to the brake rod under the rear platform. It was dead but still warm. The postmortem showed that it was healthy and had died from exposure.

The board of construction of the navy department has submitted to Secretary Moody its recommendations that the bid of Wm. Crump & Sons, for the construction of the cruisers Tennessee and Washington, be accepted. Their bid, which was the lowest submitted, was \$4,000,000 for each cruiser, to be completed in 36 and 30 months respectively.

The German Shoe and Leather Gazette shows up the combination of American trusts as the cause of widespread ruin among German industries. The American leather trust bought Germany's supply, then when German manufacturers were compelled to raise prices undersold them.

Brig-Gen. Wood has gone to Columbus, O., by special direction of Secretary Root, to investigate the advisability of selling the lands and improvements, or any portion of them of the military reservation in that city, using the proceeds for the purchase and improvement of other land or in that vicinity for military purposes.

CONGRESS.

The house resumed work Monday after a recess of two weeks, but within two hours the machinery broke down for lack of a quorum. The bill to create a general staff in the army was the issue. An attempt was made to pass it under suspension of the rules, which requires a two-thirds majority. Although all the members of the majority of the military committee endorsed it, opposition developed because of the hurried manner in which it was proposed to pass the bill, and the division, 108 to 59, developed that it did not command the support of two-thirds of those present. A call for the house followed, but as the roll call showed about thirty less than a quorum, the house adjourned.

Senator Hoar, of Massachusetts, made a long speech in the senate in advocacy of his anti-trust bill. It was devoted entirely to the question of trusts and partly to an explanation of his recently introduced anti-trust bill. He assumed that all thoughtful men are agreed as to the necessity of legislation, state or national, for the control of trusts. As yet there had been only apprehension and alarm but no serious injury, except in the case of the recently introduced anti-trust bill. He assumed that all thoughtful men are agreed as to the necessity of legislation, state or national, for the control of trusts. As yet there had been only apprehension and alarm but no serious injury, except in the case of the recently introduced anti-trust bill. He assumed that all thoughtful men are agreed as to the necessity of legislation, state or national, for the control of trusts. As yet there had been only apprehension and alarm but no serious injury, except in the case of the recently introduced anti-trust bill.

Senator Burrows succeeded in bringing about an amicable settlement of the Cuban reciprocity treaty trouble, which is entirely satisfactory to the beet sugar manufacturers of his state and had the support of most of the Michigan senators. He had an extended conference with the president and the members of the senate committee on foreign relations and succeeded in convincing them that the future stability of the beet sugar industry demanded a fixed reduction of the tariff 20 per cent. In other words, he demanded that, if the beet sugar manufacturers are to submit to a reduction of the sugar tariff it should be a fixed reduction and for a definite period, in order that they might carry on their business without fear of further disturbance.

Senator Burrows is gratified over the settlement. There will be no more objection on the part of the beet sugar manufacturers and the only point to be determined is whether the Cuban government will accept the terms. It is believed that Cuba will be glad to do so.

Jno. Pulcher, a negro prisoner in jail at Kansas City, Kas., was aroused from his sleep of 159 hours by cold water forced down his throat.

Mrs. Anna T. Miller, convicted of conspiracy and misuse of the mails in an alleged attempt to blackmail prominent business men of Columbus, O., was sentenced to 13 months in the penitentiary.

AMUSEMENTS IN DETROIT. Week Ending January 17. Detroit—Cathedral: Good to good, 10c; Helton—Saturday Matinee at 2; Evings at 8; LYONIAN THEATRE—Janice Meredith—Saturday Matinee at 2; Evings at 8; WHEATLEY THEATRE—Janice Meredith—Saturday Matinee at 2; Evings at 8; WHEATLEY THEATRE—Janice Meredith—Saturday Matinee at 2; Evings at 8.

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Produce. Detroit—Few changes are noted from day to day in the produce market. Commission men report good support of both little change in conditions of supply and demand. Butter is coming in with a fair degree of freedom, but no change is made beyond calling the market easy. Prices are sustained. Eggs are easy also, and supplies of fresh stock are fair. A more active demand is expected in case of sustained cold weather, but with mild spells there is little chance for more demand. In potatoes there is a fair demand, but fruits and vegetables are moving slowly.

Chicago—Wheat: No. 2 spring, 75c; No. 3, 70c; No. 4, 65c; No. 5, 60c; No. 6, 55c; No. 7, 50c; No. 8, 45c; No. 9, 40c; No. 10, 35c; No. 11, 30c; No. 12, 25c; No. 13, 20c; No. 14, 15c; No. 15, 10c; No. 16, 5c; No. 17, 0c.

Stocks. Detroit—Cattle: Good to prime steers, 1.00 to 1.20; good butchers, 70c to 90c; average, 80c; mixed,

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LOCAL HAPPENINGS

Mrs. P. S. Rice is on the sick list this week.

Mrs. F. C. Lee is in poor health again.

Lon Perkins is visiting friends in town.

Henry Herr is quite ill with pneumonia.

Otto Nique did business in Deford on Monday.

Mrs. L. Brumm is visiting her daughter at Capao.

Old papers for sale at this office—30 for five cents.

H. C. McMillan, of Gagetown, was in town yesterday.

Mrs. John Profit has been seriously ill, but is improving.

C. W. Law, of Cumber, did business in town on Saturday.

Joseph Bond returned yesterday from a trip to Chicago.

Dr. D. P. Deming made a business trip to Clifford yesterday.

The February fashion journals are now for sale at this office.

H. Morrow and D. B. Clark, Caro, did business here on Tuesday.

H. A. Gifford has again been appointed postmaster at Gagetown.

W. D. Schooley, of Saginaw, spent a portion of last week in town.

L. H. Palmateer, of Novesta, did business in town on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Keating spent Sunday with friends at Bad Axe.

D. Quant, of Rescove, was a pleasant caller at our sanctum on Saturday.

M. H. Quick has been appointed deputy sheriff for Novesta township.

Geo. Hillman returned recently from a trip to Swan Lake, Manitoba.

Mrs. R. L. King, of Caro, has been visiting her parents and friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. N. Morrison, of Gagetown, spent Sunday with friends here.

Rev. Geo. F. Smith, of the Deford M. E. Church, was in town on Saturday.

Further Crowley, of Gagetown, was a pleasant visitor at this office on Monday.

Harry J. Landrigan has been assisting at Bond's Drug Store a part of the week.

Mrs. A. W. Traver was the guest of her daughter, Mrs. W. W. Bender, at Gagetown, the first of the week.

H. B. Outwater and Miss Ida Gifford called on Gagetown friends on Sunday.

Wilson Harrison, the tailor, is again at work, after a forced rest through illness.

Miss Letta Ott, of Arkona, Ont., is the guest of her cousin, Mrs. M. H. Eastman.

Glenn Moore, of Port Huron, is the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Reynolds and E. Reynolds, of Unionville, were in town on Monday.

Sam F. Body is building a barn at the rear of his residence property on Houghton Street.

A. Bond is advertising some seasonal articles at reasonable prices in his new advertisement.

Mrs. Coelia Clark, of Allegan, has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. J. W. Heller recently.

Seeley & Ross are arranging to open a pool room at Gagetown, to be managed by Thos. Ross.

Maud Halleck, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Halleck, has been very ill the past week.

F. Klump has purchased the residence of Chas. Halleck, corner of Sherman and Houghton Streets.

Dr. Geo. M. Livingston left on the Tuesday afternoon train for his new field of practice at Manistique.

Laing & Jones have an especially interesting announcement this week, which it will pay you to study well.

Big reduction on Ready-made Skirts at Mrs. G. W. Goff's. 2-15-2

Sweeter than dreams—Bon bons, Creams and Chocolates—our own make. CANDY KITCHEN.

Miss Gladys Parker, who has been spending the vacation with an aunt at Ortonville, returned last week.

Duncan Morrison, who has been very sick, is now improving under the ministrations of Dr. A. N. Treadgold.

Mrs. I. A. Fritz will lead the Epworth League service next Sunday evening. Topic: "A Message From His Word."

Herbert F. Lenzner has received notice that he has successfully passed the civil service examination for printers.

H. L. Hunt is getting stone on the ground for building at his residence lots, corner of Houghton and Leach Streets.

Geo. A. Stevenson was called to Tuscola last Friday owing to the death of his mother, whose funeral was held on Sunday.

A. Blake Gillies is now conducting a lunch counter in connection with the Thumb Amusement Company's bowling alley.

John H. Woolley has moved from the Hitchcock block to his own residence in the southeastern portion of the town.

Your stomach demands recognition and the suggestions in Outwater's advertisement may aid you in complying therewith.

The bank of P. C. Purdy & Son, of Gagetown, will hereafter be known as the bank of Jas. L. Purdy, who is now the sole owner.

The new windows have been placed in the M. E. Church and make a wonderful improvement in the appearance of the structure.

Next Tuesday evening will take place the joint installation of the Ladies and Sir Knights of the Modern Maccabees, at the Oddfellow Hall.

LOST—Between Cass City and the cemetery on Thursday, Jan'y 8th, two buggy oilcloths. Please leave at this office or at Philip Mark's.

Mrs. E. Sherwood, who has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. W. W. Withey, for some time, is quite ill. Dr. A. N. Treadgold is attending her.

A. Frutchoy has been spending a few days at his cattle ranch beyond Alpena. Ernest Reagh and John Hawkins, of this place, are now employed there.

The trains were all considerably delayed by snow the first of the week and are having trouble again to-day through the forming of tightly packed drifts.

Stone is being drawn to the building site owned by the Catholic Society of this place on Seeger Street, with a view to the erection of a church in the near future.

Miss Lizzie Martin, who has been employed in the millinery establishment of Mrs. M. J. McGillivray for several months, returned to her home at Yale on Monday.

Of course we want a pickling station, but we're not going to get it unless farmers get a move on and contract the necessary acreage. Contracts may be seen and signed at this office.

At the Presbyterian church Sunday the pastor, Rev. S. P. Jackson, will preach at 10:30 on "The Greatest Work in the World," and at 7:30 p. m. on "David Corson or a Study in Temptation."

According to an announcement which reached here last week, Miss Corine Hartman, formerly of this place, was married on New Year's Day, at Helena, Montana, to Edward T. Houle.

The installation of officers of Court Elkland and No. 826, I. O. F., occurred last Tuesday evening and five applicants were admitted to membership. After the installation ceremonies an oyster supper was served.

Every member of Elkland Arbor, No. 31, A. O. G., is especially requested to be present at the next regular meeting, Jan. 22nd. There will be initiation and installation and visiting brothers are expected.

Henry Stewart, our townsman in days gone by, and who resided in Grand Rapids for some time after leaving our midst, is now employed in the office of J. W. Wilson, register of deeds for Huron County, at Bad Axe.

H. M. Willis, of Coleman, who is foreman of Gov. Bliss' farm, was in town this week and purchased a forty-acre piece of land from Miss Nancie MacArthur, which lies southeast of town and adjoins a forty he owned previously.

Wm. E. Randall, northwest of town, who has been suffering from mental troubles for some time, has recently become violent, and his friends were obliged to have him taken to the county jail to await his hearing to determine his sanity.

The following is the list of officers elect for the Baptist Sunday school: Supt., Chas. H. Travis; asst. supt., Mrs. C. M. Seeley; sec'y, P. S. McGregory; treas., Miss Nellie Weaver; organist, Miss Ethel McGregory; librarian, Miss Lillian Yakes.

John Morrison has resigned his position at Bond's Drug Store. Robert C. Tuttle, of Rochester, is the new clerk to fill the position vacated by Mr. Morrison. Mr. Tuttle has had considerable experience in the drug business and comes well recommended.

F. L. Pettit, of Pigeon, is visiting friends here.

W. T. Sheffer, of North Branch, is in town this week.

D. O. Gibbs, of Gagetown, was in town this morning.

Henry Losey, of Otter Lake, visited his brother, Dana, and other friends here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. I. B. Auten made a trip to Oxford and Detroit on Monday and Mr. Auten and F. Klump attended the railroad meeting with the Detroit Chamber of Commerce on Monday evening.

The management of the Thumb Amusement company at this place wishes us to state that their bowling alley will be conducted in a strictly orderly and respectable manner and nothing of a rough nature will be tolerated. A notice to ladies will be found elsewhere.

Geo. F. Manning, of Bad Axe, was in town this week, arranging with Wm. Fleenor to look after the local interests of the Illinois Life Insurance Company. It is known as "The Little Giant of the West," doubled its insurance last year and shows a substantial growth in every item.

The following letters remain unclaimed in the P. O. at Cass City, for the week ending Jan. 10, 1903: Will Pattenger, Alex Fleming, Wilbert Robinson, Mrs. Burt Wilson, E. C. Lewis, Rosem Lehmae. When calling for above please mention advertised. H. S. Wickware, Postmaster.

C. O. Lenzner and S. F. Benkelman are the newly-elected trustees of the Evangelical Church. The Sunday school officers of that church are: Supt., Mrs. S. F. Benkelman; asst. supt., Herbert F. Lenzner; secretary, Miss Lillian Striffler; treasurer, Leonard Buehrly; organist, Miss Martha Striffler; librarian, Jacob Maier.

At the business meeting of the Young People's Alliance, held at the Evangelical Church on Wednesday evening of last week, the following officers were elected: Pres., Miss Anna Klump; vice-pres., Wm. Schwelger; rec. sec., Miss Lillian Striffler; cor. sec., Herb F. Lenzner; treas., Miss Hat tie Muck; organist, Miss Laura Klump.

Pierpont Morgan is undoubtedly the most fascinating figure before the world to-day. "Mr. Morgan, His Advisers and His Organization" are discussed at length in the January Cosmopolitan by John Brisben Walker, who spent ten days between Mr. Morgan and Mr. John Mitchell's offices in September, in the attempt to settle the coal-strike.

Scott Brotherton, who left here recently for Caron, Assa, in the Canadian Northwest, writes this week to friends here that he is quite well pleased with his location and has succeeded in purchasing a quarter section of land with one hundred and twenty acres of it broken. His brother, Ed., has also purchased and both are preparing to build.

Every farmer within driving distance of Cass City should determine at once that he will attend the Farmers' Institute to be held here the last two days of this month and allow nothing to prevent. The officers have spared no pains in arranging a good program and some of the best speakers of the state will be on the platform. Watch for program in next issue.

At the State poultry show at Detroit last week, Sam Champion, of this place, won the following premiums on his Black Minorcas: 1st and 3rd on cock, 4th on cockerel (the score of this bird being the same as the 1st prize bird), 1st and 3rd on hen, and 2nd and 3rd on pullets. He showed fifteen birds, none of which scored below 91 points, and succeeded in selling forty-two. S. F. Bigelow, of this place, showed a nice bunch of Light Brahmas, securing 4th premium on cockerel, and two pullets scoring 93 and 92 1/2.

Shortly after noon on Tuesday, Miss Jessie Clark, who had been riding with Mrs. H. P. Deming, alighted from the cutter near the postoffice and as she gained the sidewalk slipped and fell in such manner as to fracture her hip. She was immediately carried on a stretcher to the home of her sister, Mrs. Hebblewhite, where Dr. M. M. Wickware, assisted by Dr. J. H. Hays, reduced the fracture. Miss Clark is resting as easily as can be expected but the accident will confine her to her room for a considerable time.

Jake Muller, on a summer's day, raked the meadows sweet with hay. The mule with which he raked the hay was muddled dun, with streaks of grey. Jake's shirt was of hickory, and his pants brown, with a patch on the part where he sits down. Jake cussed in a way that was hard to see, for the mule went haw when he said gee. A bumble bee's nest in the stubble lay, where Jake and the mule raked the clover hay. A rake tooth ran through that bumble home, and the bees came out and began to roam in search of the man that summer day who raked the meadow of clover hay. The bees swarmed inside Muller's shirt and quickened the mule to a lively spurt. It was tough on the mule and worse on Jake and worse still on the sulky rake, for the mule turned loose in a promiscuous way and scattered the rake all over the hay.

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For the next two weeks we will continue to sell at greatly reduced prices the following remnants of Winter Goods:

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Jackets, Clothing, Ribbons, Blankets, Quilts, Caps, Shoes, Furnishings, Prints, Portieres, Curtains, Carpets, Etc.

Groceries. Special for Saturday and next Week.

Good Baking Powder, per can, 3c
Good Baking Soda, per box, 4c
Good Coffee, per pound, 9c
Oat Meal, 8 pounds, 25c
Corn Meal, 10 pounds, 20c
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Cass City Markets.

Wheat No. 2 white	67
Wheat No. 2 red	67
Wheat No. 3 red	50
Oats No. 2 white	32
Beans, Hard picked	1 30 2 10
Peas	75 1 00
Clover Seed	500 5 00
Hay, pressed, per ton	6 00 10 00
Eggs per doz.	21
Butter	18
Hogs, dressed per cwt.	7 00
Beef, dressed	5 00 5 00
Sausen	3 10 4
Lamb	4 10 5
Chickens	12 18
Turkeys	8 10 5
Ducks and geese	5 75
Hides	20 30
Live Hogs	5 75
Potatoes per bush	20 30

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White Lily	4 00 per hb
Buckwheat	4 00
Graham Flour	3 75
Meal	4 40
Bolted Meal	2 00 cwt
Feed	1 10
Meal	1 40
Brans	30
Midlings	1 00
Eye Flour	2 00
Salt, per barrel	65

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FOR SALE—Five Brood Sows, all heavy with pigs; also one Heavy Work Team. J. D. TUCKEY.

FOR SALE—A good 80 or 120 acre improved farm 2 1/2 miles south and west of Cass City. Stock, tools and crops with it if desired. GEORGE APLIN.

FOR RENT—Blacksmith shop and kit of tools. Formerly occupied by Wm. Bentley. 12-4-11 E. H. PINNEY.

MONEY TO LOAN—At six per cent straight without any bonus. Will receive partial payment at the end of any year. E. B. LANDON.

PAIR of second-hand sleighs for sale. 1-15-2* ROBT. WILSON.

SIX Good Farm Horses for sale. 1-8-4* M. ANTHES.

PRAYED—From my enclosure, about Nov. 15th, two ewe sheep, each with bell. Reasonable reward for return to ALBERT VOGEL.

THOROUGHbred SUFFOLK BOAR for service. 1-8-11* M. ANTHES.

WANTED—A good Jersey milch cow at once. 11-20-11 SAIGON & SON

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