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BY A. A. P. M'DOWELL

We have placed in our window a box which contains
Twenty Dollars.

We will give a key to this Box FREE with each pair of Shoes, purchased for cash, costing \$1.00 or more. Only three keys will open the box. Yours may be one of them. When keys have all been given out you may try your key.

The first key to unlock the box takes \$10.00.

The second key to unlock the box takes \$6.00.

The third key to unlock the box takes \$4.00.

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OSTRANDER'S UP-TO-DATE SHOE STORE

Let me Tell You Farmer Friend, Something that is worth telling—



TRAVER

Has a Splendid Assortment of

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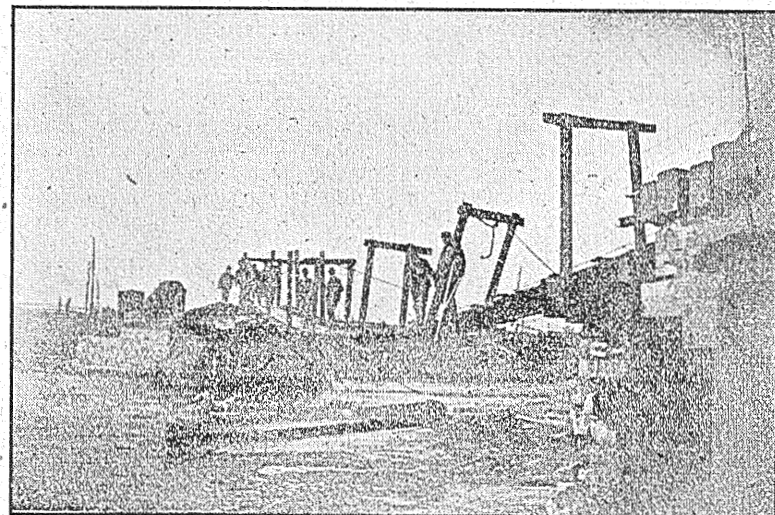
Buggies, Etc.,

Which you will enjoy looking over. Not only that, but you are sure to find what you need at

Prices Within Your Reach.

Give Him a Call

And learn that he is the Farmer's Friend, and that he studies to protect the farmer's interest. You'll find him ever ready to serve you, at his old stand on the North side of Main Street.



Temporary Wire Foot-bridge at the River

At the railroad crossing, where a temporary wooden trestle has just been put in awaiting the arrival of a new steel girder bridge.

Local Happenings.

J. H. Edwards, of Uby, was in town on Sunday.

Mrs. E. McLean has been spending the week in Detroit.

A. W. Seed, of Port Huron, called on old friends here this week.

Mrs. M. Metcalf returned on Tuesday from her visit in Detroit.

Theo. Burden, of Gageton, did business in town on Saturday.

Geo. G. Burt, of Wickware, was in town on business on Saturday.

There will be services at the Presbyterian Church Sunday morning.

A. A. Brian has purchased a team for general trucking about town.

"The Model" has a new advertisement on the last page of this issue.

Miss Lucie McNutt, of Memphis, was the guest of H. P. Lee a part of last week.

Old Mr. Body, Houghton Street, is quite ill and threatened with pneumonia.

A little daughter was welcomed into the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. Smithson on Monday.

Mrs. Geo. Golweitzer, of Saginaw, is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Brooker.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Gemmill, on Sunday, April 10th, twins—a boy and a girl.

J. H. Wheeler sold a pair of horses last week and delivered the same at Caro on Friday.

Conductor John Hatton had the privilege of calling on his old friends here on Sunday.

The Chronicle office is being moved to the building across the alley from the present location.

A. Doerr, of Dryden, was in town on Monday and talks of moving back to Cass City next month.

John Whale is building a new brick tenant house, just east of his own residence, Main Street west.

Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Dorman, of Marlette, were the guests of their son, Jas. N. Dorman, over Sunday.

W. A. Fairweather is making some alterations and improvements to his residence on Main Street west.

Dr. D. P. Deming is preparing to remodel his block on Seeger Street, into a modern office for his own use.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Lauderbach left on Friday to spend a couple of weeks with friends at Columbia.

Landon, Ego & Keating are building a tenant residence on their lots, corner of West and Seventh Streets.

Mrs. J. F. Hendrick was taken quite seriously ill on Tuesday, with lung trouble, but is reported some better.

Mrs. F. C. Lee and daughter, Leila, who have been in Toledo for some time, arrived here the first of the week.

Quite a number from here attended the after-Easter ball given by the K. O. T. M. M., at Gageton, last evening.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Frutche are on their way home from a prolonged stay in California, coming by way of Oregon.

Mrs. E. B. Landon entertained a company of her lady friends at tea on Monday evening, in honor of her birthday.

H. T. Elliott drove to Uby on Sunday and visited Lexington and Port Huron the first of the week, returning home yesterday noon.

J. L. Hitchcock & Sons have a little bicycle talk in their new advertisement this week, but they are pushing for a big trade in that line.

Mrs. Geo. Matzen, of Seattle, Wash., arrived here the first of the week for an extended visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Pinney.

The Cass City Foundry Co. has just completed the manufacture of four hundred of the A. A. Jones patent robe holders.

A. E. Ellerthorpe, who is now state agent for the Empire separator, returned Saturday evening from a trip to Clare, and spent a part of the week here.

Mrs. Lazenby has moved from the second story of the Deming Block, Seeger Street, to a part of the M. G. Flynn residence, corner of Ale and Third Streets.

A. W. Traver wishes your attention to his advertisement in this issue, and to his line of buggies, farm implements, etc. He expects a car load of new goods this week.

The household effects of F. Pitcher have just been shipped to Pontiac, where Mr. Pitcher has purchased residence property and has been employed for some time.

Rev. H. H. Andrews, district missionary, will preach at the Baptist Church, next Sunday morning and evening. There will be a baptismal service in the morning.

"The Transforming Power of Christ." will be the topic at the Epworth League service next Sunday evening. Miss Bertha Wood, first vice president, will be the leader.

Peter Rusko is improving his residence property, corner of Vulcan and Fourth Streets, by the addition of a front verandah and otherwise. Isaac Hall has charge of the work.

Elliott Metcalf had the misfortune, on Tuesday, to fall and dislocate his hip. His advanced years and increasing feebleness make the accident more serious than it would otherwise be.

A. H. Ale has disposed of the W. H. Huehn farm, recently purchased, near Uby, to H. E. Webster, of Greenleaf, and takes as part of the consideration Mr. Webster's 140 acres in Greenleaf.

The evening service at the M. E. Church next Sunday will be in charge of the Junior League, with Miss Mary Zinnecker as superintendent. A specially interesting program has been arranged.

The J. H. Cooley property, corner of Vulcan and Sixth Streets was recently sold to the Cass City Lumber & Coal Co., and Mr. Cooley has since been living in the residence east of D. T. on Fourth Street.

The Comfort Produce Co. no longer uses the cold storage egg house below the depot, and the owner, A. L. Johnson, takes possession of it on May 5th. He will again handle butter and eggs and will begin buying next week.

H. L. Hunt has commenced the erection of a modern frame cottage on his lots at the corner of Houghton and Leach Streets, the cottage to face Leach Street, standing next the alley. T. J. Clement has the supervision of the work.

A Loyal Temperance Legion meeting, in connection with the W. C. T. U., will be held at the M. E. church on Friday, April 22d, at 4:00 p. m., for the purpose of organization. All boys and girls are invited, and mothers will be heartily welcomed.

John Walker, the portrait man, has recently delivered a fine India ink portrait of the editor's father, which is a splendid reproduction of the original. Mr. Walker is building up a reputation for strictly high class work. He has just moved from Main Street to a part of the Riker residence on Garfield Avenue.

O. K. Janes has sold his one hundred and sixty acre farm, north of town, excepting the southeast half of the northeast quarter thereof, to John McLarty, of Kalamazoo, the consideration being \$7,500, taking in exchange Mr. McLarty's one hundred and twenty acres in section seventeen of Novesta, at \$3,500.

Merchant A. L. Bruce and Rev. D. H. Kyes, of Deford, were in town yesterday.

E. P. Smith, of Pigeon, was in town this morning, looking after the interests of his farm near here.

The first base ball game of the season is to be played here on Saturday afternoon, between the Cass City and Caro High School nines. Our boys are starting the season full of enthusiasm and determination to put up a good straight game. The play will be made at the Driving Park, and will be called at two in the afternoon.

At the fortieth annual session of the Michigan Conference of the Evangelical Association, held last week at Buchanan, Rev. Frederick Klump, of this place, was elected presiding elder of St. Joseph District, to fill the vacancy left by Dr. G. J. Kirn, who has accepted a professor's chair in the Northwestern College. Mr. Klump will probably move to Detroit.

Striffler & McDermott are making extensive improvements in their implement depot at the east end of Main Street. The second story of the corner building has been raised so as to increase the height of the first story ceiling about eighteen inches. The exterior will be covered with steel sheathing. M. Anthes had charge of the raising of the second story.

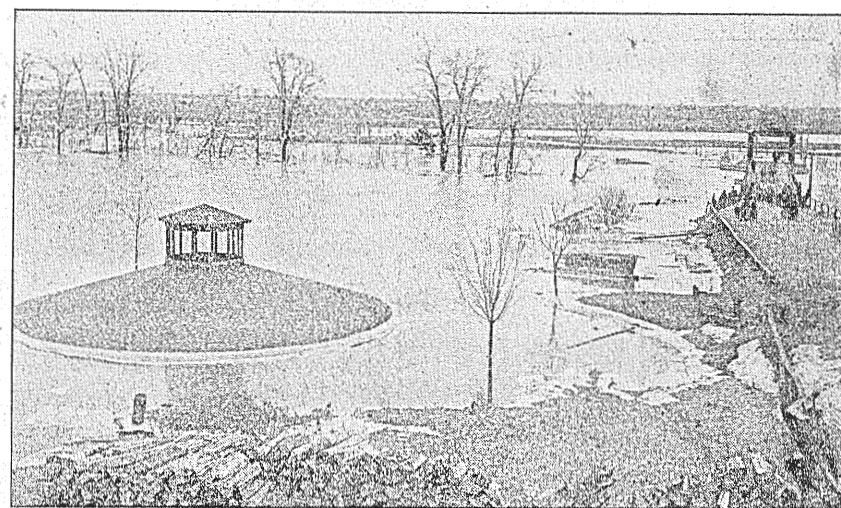
A meeting of the business men of the village has been called at the Council Rooms this afternoon, for the purpose of considering the advisability of accepting a proposition made by A. H. Ale to install a complete creamery plant at this place for operation this season. We understand the proposition is a very liberal and desirable one and it is to be hoped will be accepted.

John A. Cole is agent for the U. S. cream separator in this section and has an advertisement in this issue. He has been successful already in placing a number of the machines with responsible farmers here, who express themselves as highly pleased with the way in which they do the work. Mr. Cole will be pleased to give any desired information to those interested.

Rev. M. C. Crowley, who has been pastor of St. Agatha's R. C. Church, at Gageton, for the past two years, received notice on Friday from the Bishop of this diocese, that he was to leave Gageton and take charge of St. John's Church, at Monroe, Mich. He was in Cass City to-day, saying farewell to his friends here and will leave in a few days for his new charge. His successor at Gageton will be Father Dwan, a young man who has lately been supplying at Port Huron.

A meeting of the directors of the Fair Association was held at the Council Rooms on Saturday afternoon, when it was decided to make the coming Fair a four days event, as formerly, the dates to be Oct. 4th, 5th, 6th and 7th. \$500 was voted for horse races and \$300 for special attractions. The superintendents of the various departments were appointed as a committee to revise the premium list as may seem necessary, and the contract for printing the same was awarded the ENTERPRISE.

The union special services which have been in progress here for some three weeks, under the direction of Rev. Harold Sayles, were concluded last Thursday evening, and were productive of much good. The attendance and interest was remarkable and between eighty-five and ninety evidenced their intention of living the Christian life who have not previously done so. Thirty three of this number were received on probationary membership into the M. E. Church last Sunday morning, a large majority of them being first baptised by sprinkling.



The Lower Cass River Bridge, Caro.

Just inside the Village limits, showing the Water Works settling basin partly submerged, and the roadway beyond covered to a depth of several feet. (Courtesy Caro Advertiser.)

NO RAISE ON COTTON GOODS WITH US.

Going at 80 cts. on the \$

All double fold wool and cotton Dress Goods.
All Shoes.
All Dress Linings.

Our India Linens

at old prices, 7c to 30c per yd.

LAING & JANES.

How to Make Home Sweet and Cheerful.

By papering it with the beautiful designs of

WALL PAPER

Now ready to be shown at T. H. FRITZ'S Drug Store. The largest stock to select from and the most artistic designs it was ever my privilege to show. Some special bargains in Remnants left.

Window Shades

Of all sizes, ready-made or made-to-order.

Shade Fixtures, Lace Curtain Poles, Room Moulding, a fine assortment.

Price right and eggs taken same as cash.

We invite you to see our line.

T. H. FRITZ,
Druggist.

M. D. Mills is moving to his farm, four miles south of town, where he will build a new residence and drive barn this season.

John W. Eno has sold his forty acre farm, two miles north and one-half mile west of town, to Jas. W. Heller. Consideration, \$1,450.

Next Sunday morning the newly returned minister, Rev. L. V. Soldan, will preach in the German language at the Evangelical Church.

Mrs. A. A. Parker received a dispatch on Sunday, stating that her son, Owen S. Parker, had died of typhoid fever at Traverse City asylum, where he had been employed as an attendant since last July. It appears that he had been at work up to the Monday previous, looking after his regular duties until that evening. All effort possible was made to effect his recovery, but without avail, as he seemed to go down very rapidly from the first. He was only seventeen years of age and his sudden demise is a heavy blow to his mother and friends. His mother went to Traverse City on Monday and accompanied his remains back to the home, conducted by Rev. M. W. Gifford, on Tuesday afternoon, and the interment was made in the Elkland cemetery.



MADE TO FIT

Clothes we make are RIGHT in Fit, Material and Quality of work.

They look like the

Good Clothes

they are

We are proud of our ability in making the best clothes.

Cleaning and Pressing Done Promptly.

Wm. H. Ruhl.

Over Tennant's Grocery.

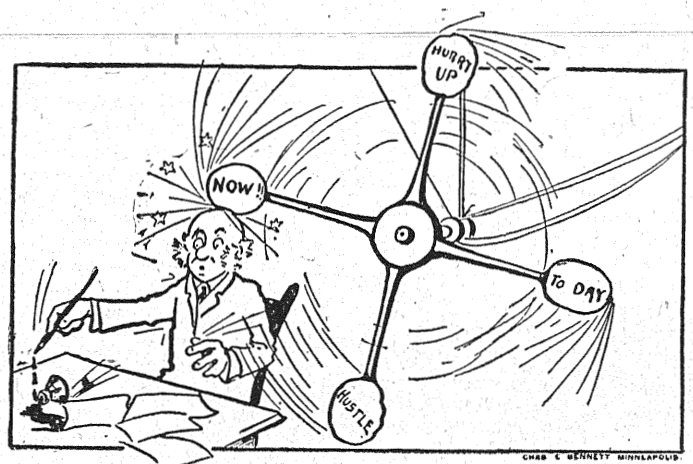
Wm. H. Ruhl, the tailor, has a new advertisement this week, calling your attention to the fit, material and quality of the clothes he builds.

Miss Ella Lee Pla has successfully passed the Civil Service examination for postal clerk, having attended the examination held at Detroit.

J. B. Coates has donated the war paint for spring trade in Art Laurel ranges, gasoline stoves, and building hardware. See his advertisement.

The tea served by the Social Workers of the Baptist Church, at the home of Mrs. M. L. Gulick, west Main Street, last evening, was well patronized, the proceeds amounting to over \$12.

Seven of the nine township delegates attended the Republican County convention at Caro on Tuesday. A. A. McKenzie was chosen Senatorial delegate, the convention yet to be called at Caro. H. S. Wickware was chosen delegate to the Congressional convention in Saginaw on April 19th, and Dr. D. P. Deming will go to the state convention at Grand Rapids, on May 18th.



OUR AUTOMATIC MEMORY JOGGER

Is at work day and night now. Come in and sit in the chair a little while. It may remind you that you need something in our line. When you are thoroughly waked up to the fact that you must have some

Building Material

and are looking for some

Attractive Figures

we can do you some good.

We make a specialty of SHOPWORK. Get our prices on

Windows and Door Frames.

CASS CITY LUMBER

AND COAL CO., Ltd.

Virtue.

I once possessed a costly plant—
A strange exotic, sweet and rare;
I kept it in a sunny nook,
And daily watered it with care.

In the congenial atmosphere
The lovely flower came to bloom;
And all beholders' senses thrilled
With its rare beauty and perfume.

But, oh, alas, a careless hand
One morning ope'd the window wide;
And the few moments that had passed
Before my flower chilled and died.

Thus, oft, with virtue safely housed
Within the bathhouse of the home,
How largely seem its branches spread,
How lovely doth appear its bloom.

Yet, when the world's temptations breath
Against it but one key breath,
How quickly do its branches droop,
And oft its root is chilled to death.
—Lettitia J. Clark, in Boston Post.

THE BOOK IN WOMAN'S LOOKS

By H. S. CANFIELD.

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For ten years Mr. G. Heming Magnus of Philadelphia had been a writer for the lesser magazines. He wrote short stories and essays and sent them to the editors in the hopes they would be accepted. His stamp bill was large. Still, perseverance, a mild intention and knowledge dug from the encyclopedias will tell in time. His accepted manuscripts increased in number. This perked him up. He started a bank account of moderate dimensions. Nothing makes a man so brave as a bank account. He was a slender man, with drooping shoulders, mild blue eyes and a sandy Vandylke beard. When "honored" he used to twist this beard into a sharp point and stab himself upon his narrow shirt-front. Though his legs were wobbly and his feet large, his "heart was in the right place." This he knew from the fact that when startled by a sudden noise it "beat thick and quick, like a madman on a drum."

A boisterous doctor came up behind him, slapped him on the shoulder and howled:

"Maggy, old man, how're the brutal editor men?"

The heart, which was in the right place, began thumping, Magnus wheeled and faced him, wrath in his pale eyes.

"I do so hate to be called 'Maggy,'" he snapped. "It really is not my name." Then his thin, delicate hand went to his left side.

"It's all right, Magnus," the doctor said. "Beg pardon, you looked overworked. Take a bit of free advice: Go away somewhere and rest."

It was early summer and the members of the literary clubs, the fashionables and the preachers were flitting. The bank account was healthy. Magnus looked over the papers. Among a thousand advertisements of places "with all the comforts of home," his eye was caught by a mention of Harper's Ferry, Virginia. He asked about it and was told it was a good country, with pure air, farm foods, trout fishing and cheapness. That seemed to suit. Next afternoon he alighted from a dilapidated buggy in front of "Grassdene" farmhouse. Shadows lay deep on the alley. The Potomac rolled grandly to the south. Looking from his window over the sweeping river, Magnus said:

"Here is rest. I do not want human companionship. A cultivated mind needs only itself. Surrounded by these eternal hills, amid which dwell a simple people, solitude should bring happiness. Their ways are not my ways, their souls are half-developed, but we need not clash."

He fell readily into the habits of the household. It consisted of Mrs. Loudoun, a silver-haired widow, her granddaughter, Amanda Loudoun, a brown-eyed girl of eighteen, with a delicious figure, a mass of brown hair and a

appearance of interest. He found all her comments apt, and some of them shrewd. He felt the unconscious charm of her innocence.

One evening, three weeks after the beginning of their friendship, she assumed guidance of the conversation. It was done in a spirit of mischief but the eyes of G. Heming Magnus did not see it. He lacked the perceptive faculty. She astonished him much by a sound, if not brilliant, monologue upon the Elizabethan poets as compared with those of the earlier era and, in a mild discussion of the reputed authorship of the Shakespearean plays, worsted him badly. She said they were the work of Sir Walter Raleigh during his eighteen years of confinement in the Tower of London. Next day she invited him into a part of the house he had not visited, introduced him to a sitting-room, furnished plainly but in perfect taste, seated herself at an old but tuneful piano and played for him, with feeling and force, selections from Beethoven, Mozart, Mendelssohn, Chopin, Verdi, Donizetti, Wagner, De Koven, Millard, Sullivan and "Dave" Brahms.

The Philadelphia dimly recognized that he might possibly have been guilty of underestimating the simple farming family. A little later he began to hold her in his thoughts and to speak of her, when on his rambles, as a "Potomac rose." This was a bad sign. In all his thirty years he had seen no one like her, so simple, so unaffected, so sympathetic, so beautiful. This was a worse sign. He measured mentally the height of his bank account and found it sufficient. This was the worst sign of all.

It was late in the September of 1898. There was a slight chill in the air. The girl, wrapped in some fleecy light stuff, sat, as was her custom, in the stern of the little boat, which made no sound as it drifted. In the moonlight her brown eyes looked like jewels. Not a word had been spoken for half-hour. G. Heming Magnus said:

"Miss Loudoun, when I came here I thought you ignorant country folk. I know now what a fool I was. I must go to-morrow and it makes me sad. I can't bear to think that I will never see you again. I have never told you that I love you, but I do sincerely. You must have seen it. Will you marry me?"

She did not answer. She had grown suddenly pale and was staring intently at the landing, then not a hundred yards away. Suddenly she clasped her hands and a wave of crimson rose to her face. A happy smile curved her lips. Then she gazed earnestly at her companion.

"I have not seen it," she said gravely. "Forgive me, Mr. Magnus, but I can not marry you."

In silence he picked up the oars. The prow of the boat grated upon the

shore. As the girl stepped lightly to land she was taken into the arms of a tall, young fellow in khaki uniform. She staid there a full five minutes, while Magnus stood awkwardly by. Then she turned, saying: "This is Mr. Landon. He has been at Santiago. We have been engaged for two years." Next spring G. Heming Magnus wrote a book which is in its 150th thousand. His heart has gone into it. Its name is "Queen Rose of a Rosebud Garden."

TOOK HUSBAND IN PAWN.

Russian Spinster Foreclosed on Peasant Woman's Mate.

A peasant woman, residing in the village of Bjelossachek, in the Government of Vilna, Eastern Russia, found herself without money on the eve of a festival, and was very sad on that account. Her husband was known far and near as a ne'er-do-well, and therefore she did not reckon on any help from him. In her distress she turned to her neighbor, an elderly spinster, and requested the loan of a few rubles. But she could not give any security. "I really do not possess anything that I could give you as security," she said, "unless you care to take my lazy husband in pawn." To her great surprise the woman received the loan, and with the money went into the village to make a few purchases. The idea of her obtaining a loan on her husband appeared to her very droll. Great was her astonishment on returning from her shopping expedition to find that the old spinster had disappeared with the worthless husband. The deserted wife did not trouble to make inquiries concerning her spouse. On the contrary, she rejoiced at her deliverance.

The Inevitable.

During the trial of a suit to enforce the payment of alimony recently, a witness in the case gave the most damaging evidence against the defendant in the suit, once the husband of a very prepossessing blonde. With very great frankness he told how the defendant had mistreated his wife in almost every imaginable way, and how on one occasion he (the witness) had interfered to save the poor woman from a beating.

"Oh, you acted the part of a peacemaker, did you?" said the defendant's attorney when the voluble witness was turned over to him for cross-examination. "You rushed to the rescue of a fair damsel in distress."

"I did," said the witness, proudly, "and I succeeded in saving her."

"Well, well," sarcastically returned the lawyer, "then you did not meet the fate commonly credited to the peacemaker?"

"Not just then," said the witness. "I did later. I married the fair damsel after she got her divorce."

European Women in Tibet.

Miss Susette Taylor, one of the very few European women who have ever visited Tibet, gave some interesting particulars of the customs of the people of that mysterious land recently. When the Tibetan puts out his tongue at you, Miss Taylor says that you must not feel insulted. He is merely being polite to you after his own manner, the projection of the tongue being a civility equal to our shaking hands, which in his country is not etiquette. On one occasion Miss Taylor strayed into a Buddhist temple at prayer time, and her parasol was considered such an interesting article that prayers were interrupted while the lama borrowed it and then opened it among a chorus of murmurs of approval and admiration.

Ballade of the Girls.

Who would not pause to drink a toast,
To pledge the health of maidens fair,
While thinking still of her who most
Excels in wit and beauty rare?

Who would not thus on moment spare
For lover's drink, while onward roam
The world, with all its sorrows care—
A health, I say, to lovely girls!

What man of us is too engrossed,
Too busy with the world's affair
An instant to desert his post
And drink to damsel's dearest?

And so this glass to beauty's host!
I pledge in which we all may share,
"Tis only thus that we may boast
The smiles of her without compare.

The one for whom we wish would dare
And die the death amid the swirls
Of cannon's smoke and battle's flare—
A health, I say, to lovely girls!

Coal in Russia and Japan.

Coal is an important article just now in Japan and Russia. It is said that Russia had ordered 1,000,000 tons from Pennsylvania. Japan has 5,000 square miles of coal lands, and her exports are 3,000,000 tons annually greater than her imports. It is estimated that over 1,000,000 tons are deposited in the undeveloped coal fields in the island of Hokkaido, one of the northern islands of Japan. Russia's imports are largely in excess of her exports, notwithstanding she has a coal area of 20,000 square miles, exclusive of Siberia, Central Asia and Caucasus. It is clear that Russia needs developing.

World's Fair Exhibits.

The combined value of the exhibits in the ten principal exhibit palaces of the World's Fair has been estimated by E. S. Hoch, assistant to Director of Exhibits Staff, at \$72,500,000. This estimate is based on statistics at hand in the division as to the amount and nature of the exhibits which will be installed in each building. This does not include the display in the Fine Arts palace. Nor does the estimate include the contents of the various government structures at the exposition nor the exhibits contained in such concessions as will be of an exhibit nature.

The GRANDEUR THAT WAS ROME

(Special Correspondence.)

The charm and fascination of the Roman campagna are such that no one who sees them but is haunted by them ever after. The expansive slopes, with here and there a broken ruin rising from the sod, the desolate monument of a vanished order of things; the solitary farm with its gray walls on which the sunshine broods all day, with perhaps a decapitated medieval tower rising beside it; the marshy valleys in which the long-horned cattle feed; the wandering river—the Anio or the Tiber—flowing silently, taking the reflection of the blue sky; the striding aqueduct; the distant mountains; friends of the sun, speckled with glittering homestead and sparkling town—all beautiful, almost eerie and weird in a sense of solemn, far-spreading grandeur, overshadowed, as it were, by the wing of memory and the vague apprehension of more momentous events than memory records. Such is the campagna of Rome.

In the destruction of the picturesque which a would-be paternal government inaugurated in Rome was the removal of the shrubs and bushes and plants that had grown upon ancient monuments such as the Coliseum and the Baths of Caracalla.

The destruction of vegetation applied to the Coliseum was also extended to the ruins of the Baths of Caracalla, and the upper floors were denuded of their flora. On the top of the great arches, as a writer in 1870 described it, you would get an idea not only of the vast size of the ruins, but also lovely views over the campagna, which were obtained between the bushes of lentiscus and phillyrea, with which till lately they were fringed.

And here it was, on this high roof between earth and heaven, that Shelley wrote his "Prometheus Unbound," as he tells in his preface to that work. It was chiefly written, he says, upon the mountainous ruins of the Baths of the Caracalla, "among the flowery glades and thickets of odoriferous blossoming trees which are extended in ever-winding labyrinth upon its immense platforms and dizzy arches suspended in the air. The bright blue sky of Rome, and the effect of the vigorous awakening spring in the divinest climate, and the new life with which it drenches the spirits even to intoxication, were the inspiration of the drama."

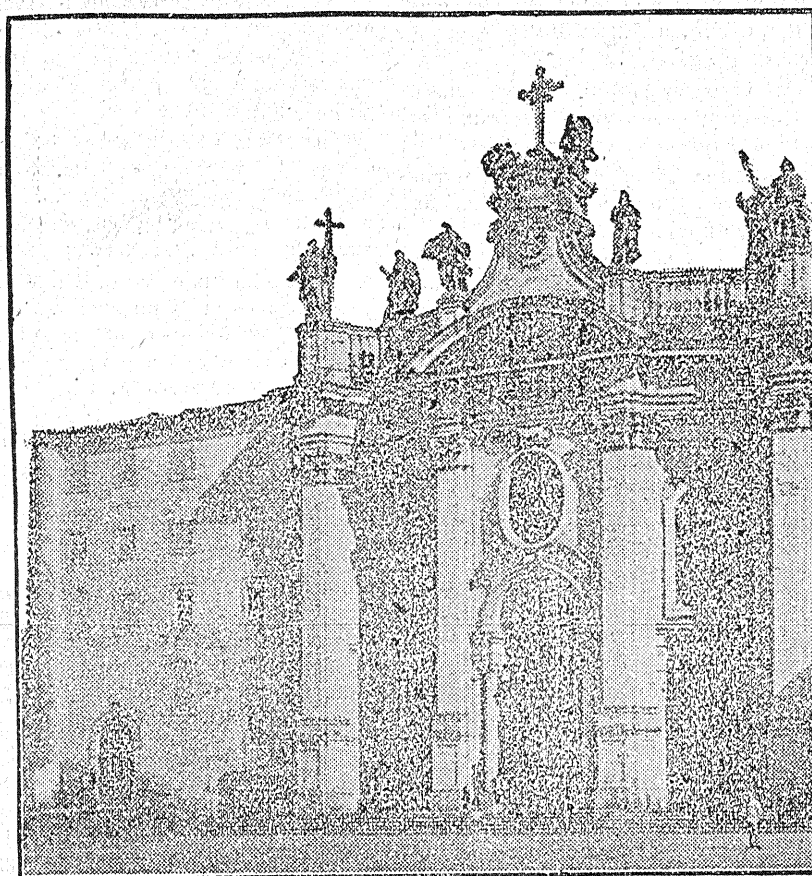
There is beauty still to be portrayed in spots near to Rome. The fountain of the sea horses, a rarely fantastic work of Bernini, in the Villa Borghese, is a theme of never-

walls, and has adorned them with green garlands and gay blossoms. How very beautiful the result is you may gather from the presence of the wandering artist, who pitches his tent-like umbrella in a shady corner, and works away for hours at a sketch in order to express on canvas the marvellous beauty of color and arrangement of the red-brown walls of ruin and the dark green of the pine trees and the black-green of the cypresses, and the bright flower spots in the grass, and the limpid blue of the skies above all.

There is scarce a spot that he can turn to that has not some special charm of its own; and he is at times bewildered by the picturesqueness of some little bit. Here, says a last century writer, describing the Villa of Hadrian, "in the shadow of a gigantic stone pine, we found a sheet of mosaic pavement glowing with all its marbles in the sun; and close by, half buried in deep grass, a shattered column of the richest porphyry. Then came an olive plantation, another the fragments of a temple, and a long list of vaulted cells, some of which contained the remains of baths and conduits, and were tapestried within with masses of the delicate maiden-haired fern."

And thus nature and art are united together in the most beautiful combination. What charming "bits" and what wealth of color do not the artists that frequent these lonely places carry away with them! Then, again, there are bits of scenery, veritable gems of arrangement and color, where nature has it all her own way, and where the outcome constitutes a fascinating picture. The swift flowing Aniene, in the vicinity of Tivoli, passes through a very tangle of trees which, at intervals, forms nooks of radiant beauty. The view of the house tops in the distance, suggesting the site of the city of Tivoli, enhances the silence and soothing influence of the gliding stream.

One of the most picturesque spots in this historic little stream is that of the Ponte Lucano—the bridge that crosses the river—beside which stands the ancient tower-like monument of Plautius Lucanus. The distant part of the bridge, with the half-buried arches, is ancient, and is a good specimen of antique Roman workmanship. The tomb, however, has the greater interest. It is one of the best preserved of the sepulchral monuments in the neighborhood of Rome, and it dates from the year 1 before the Christian era. It was used as a for-tress to command the bridge in the



Basilica di Santa Croce.

falling interest for artists. The site is of the finest; grand avenues of great trees meet at the space where the fountain is situated.

Bernini is dead about two centuries and a quarter, but the fountain he designed is still playing, and gives unmeasured joy to the ear and the eye of generations who hardly know more of him than his name.

Among ruins in the neighborhood of Rome, which, like the dying emperors, laurel-crowned, decay in the midst of vegetation and the sweet flowers of the seasons, are those of the Villa of Hadrian, near the Tiburtine way. The emperor whose name the villa bears had traveled much, and seen men and cities and wonders of nature and art. On his return to Rome he determined to copy, as far as possible, the strange and beautiful things he had seen, and place them within a villa.

Here buildings of great beauty, adorned with statues celebrated still after many centuries for their charm and workmanship, and lawns and trees, and all the picturesque that constitutes the attraction of an imperial villa, were displayed with royal profusion.

Now it is a very wilderness of inexplicable ruin. The very names of the various broken masses of buildings are only guessed at; but nature has been kindly to the broken-down

ALL BUILT WITHOUT NAILS.

Peculiar Construction of Dwelling Houses in Burma.

In Burma a dwelling house is built without a nail. It is hung on four upright posts of teak or bamboo; seven or eight feet from the ground the planking of the floor is tied to the uprights with rattan; the walls are made of split bamboo plaited into beautiful and fanciful patterns. The roof consists of the leaves of the toddy palm, which have been soaked in salt water to make them insect-proof. There are no windows, but large flaps of the plaited bamboo walls are raised in the daytime to admit light and air. The house consists, in the case of the poor, of only one good-sized room, but when there are several chambers they are separated from it by partitions of plaited bamboo. These are generally raised one or two feet from the floor of the common room, but in no case is one floor above the other in a Burmese house, it being thought a great indignity to have any one's feet over one's head. The thatched roofs are highly inflammable and leaning against every thatched house may be seen a long hooked stick with which to pull off the roof should it catch fire.

Why War Has No Terrors.

The Japanese women are as active and strong as the men. An English writer on physical culture suggests that this may account for the Jap's courage in war. After he has settled his domestic problems with a wife as muscular and agile as himself, war has no terrors for him.

The Doctors Failed.

Kilgore, O., April 11.—A rather remarkable case has just come to light in this place. Mr. John T. Riegler had been suffering for some time with an aggravated form of Kidney disease which had caused him a great deal of discomfort.

He tried the treatment of several doctors, but did not get any better. At last he chanced to read an advertisement of Dodd's Kidney Pills, a remedy which has been making many wonderful cures, and he bought some at once and began to use them. He says of the result:

"Dodd's Kidney Pills do just what they are advertised to do. I can praise them for the good they have done for me. They cured me completely after the doctors had failed and I wish that every poor sufferer could hear of them, for I know they will cure Kidney trouble."

There seems to be no case of Kidney Trouble, Rheumatism or Backache that Dodd's Kidney Pills will not cure perfectly and permanently.

Penny Savings System.

The school children of Columbus, O., are \$24,225.25 richer now than two years ago, when the penny savings system was started by the board of education. The average accumulation of the depositors is \$7.

FARM LANDS!

If you are looking for a home or an investment, do not forget that the best farm and timber lands in the Northwest are along the line of the Minneapolis & St. Louis R. R., where crop failures are unknown. Good soil, good climate, good people there. Farm values are rising rapidly and the time to buy is now.

Low excursion rates from points on the Iowa Central and Minneapolis & St. Louis Railroads, if you wish to investigate. For particulars address, G.P.A., Ia. Cent. and M. & St. L. R. R., Minneapolis, Minn.

Use Sulphur to Protect Vines.

All the large vineyard owners of California sulphur their vines as a protection against mildew and thrips. The method used is the sulphur belows, which is so constructed that the operator can expel material without excess, thereby saving a large percentage. There is a receptacle on top of the bellows proper which is filled with powdered sulphur. A tube passes from the bellows through the sulphur to the lid. This tube has a cap which has four long tubes in it and is kept on the tube by a little brass spring. When forcing air through, the tube lifts the cap up to the holes and forces the powdered sulphur out of the discharge tube.

Animal's Idea of Numbers.

Many animals have an idea of concrete numbers up to a few units and some go even farther. A dog which is accustomed to receive only three pieces of sugar will not ask for more after he has had his quota. In certain mines where horses are required to make thirty trips a day they walk at once to the stable after making the thirtieth trip. Montaigne tells of oxen employed in the royal gardens of Suza, that refused to perform more than their daily task of turning the great irrigation wheels through one hundred revolutions.

Origin of Eastern Navies.

Russia's navy had its origin in a boat which Queen Elizabeth sent to Ivan the Terrible, and with which later Peter the Great got the "sea craze." Japan's first European type of ship was built by Adams, an Englishman. Holland and Denmark, however, did most of the training of the officers of Japan's modern fleet. Some of them, as is well known, were trained in the United States.

Seat of the Trouble.

A little Maine girl came to her mother one morning and said, "Mama, I don't feel very well." "Well, that's too bad," said mama, "where do you feel the worst?" "In school," was the prompt reply.

WOMEN BREAK DOWN.



Sometimes women go on a drift into a condition of "half invalid." Continual languor, all tired out, run down, backache, nerves shattered, headache, terrible pain, no appetite, poor digestion. In nine cases out of ten it's because the kidneys fail to do their work of filtering the poisonous system waste from the blood. The kidneys are weak and need the strengthening help of

Doan's Kidney Pills. Read how these pills repair a weakened physical condition when this condition is caused by sick kidneys:

Mrs. Sadie Mettles of 294 W. 4th Ave., Columbus, Ohio, says: "Prior to the year 1898 I suffered considerably from backache, pain in the head, languor and depression and weakness of the action of the kidneys. The pain was always worse in the morning, and I felt miserable. I was induced to procure a box of Doan's Kidney Pills and I began their use. They proved prompt and effective. They cured me and there has been no return of the trouble since taking them. I owe all the credit to Doan's Kidney Pills."

A FREE TRIAL of this great kidney medicine which cured Mrs. Mettles will be mailed on application to any part of the United States. Address: Foster-McBee Co., Buffalo, N. Y. For sale by all druggists, price 50 cents per box.

Where Poets Are Valued.

Every Hindoo rajah or zamindar (rich land owner) keeps his own laureate, to whom he sometimes gives large estates and the rents or taxes of whole villages. Altogether, the poet's lines are cast in pleasant places in India.

ARE YOUR CLOTHES FADED?

Use Red Cross Ball Blue and make them white again. Large 3 oz. package, 5 cents.

BLOOD AS A FERTILIZER.

Gave Renewed Life to Tree That Was Fast Dying.

For several seasons a very ancient walnut, with long, gaunt boughs carrying much dead wood, had been struggling to live, but each year manifested signs that its life was fast disappearing. The keeper in front of whose house the tree stood took to slinging the carcasses of each deer he killed over one of its boughs for dressing. During the process all the blood dripped on the ground and was absorbed. The following spring this tree put forth an astonishing crop of leaves, and in less than three seasons it was making new wood and showing all the vigor which had characterized it thirty years before. Its renewed youth was entirely attributable to the fertilizing properties of the blood with which it had been so liberally dressed.—Country Gentleman

Where Four States Meet.

The only place in the world where four states, territories or provinces join, is where the boundary lines of Colorado, Utah, New Mexico and Arizona meet. It is the only "four corners" combination of political divisions of the kind on earth, and the United States has marked the place with a stone monument, the names of the four divisions being inscribed on the shaft. The spot is in the heart of a country once densely populated by cliff-dwellers, and access to it is so difficult that few tourists make their way there. Mancos, Colo., is the nearest railroad town, and it is one hundred miles distant. Were it not for the boulders lying about a wagon could be set down with each wheel in a different state.

ARMY TRIALS.

An Infantryman's Long Siege.

This soldier's tale of food is interesting. During his term of service in 17th Infantry in Cuba and Philippines, an Ohio soldier by contract had a disease of the stomach and bowels which all army doctors who treated him pronounced incurable, but which Grape-Nuts food alone cured.

"In October, 1899, when my enlistment expired, I was discharged from the army at Calicut, Philippines, and returned to the States on the first available steamer that left Manila. When I got home I was a total wreck physically and my doctor put me to bed saying he considered me the worst broken-down man of my age he ever saw and after treating me 6 months he considered my case beyond medical aid.

"During the fall and winter of 1900 and '01 I was admitted to the Barnes Hospital in Washington, D. C., for treatment for chronic inflammation of the stomach and bowels but after 5 months returned home as bad as ever. I continued taking medicine until February, 1902, when reading a newspaper one day I read about Grape-Nuts and was so impressed I sent out for a package right away.

"The result is quickly told for I have used Grape-Nuts continually ever since with the best results, my health is so I can do a fair day's hard work, stomach and bowels are in good condition, and I feel like a new man altogether.

"I owe my present good health to Grape-Nuts beyond all doubt for medicinal science was exhausted." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

Had he consulted any one of several thousand physicians we know of they would have prescribed Grape-Nuts immediately.

Look in each pkg. for the famous little book, "The Road to Wellville."



Magnus wheeled and faced him wrath in his pale eyes.

frank smile, and a man of all work, who ate enormously and said never a word. The two women gave him no confidences, for which he was grateful. He was forced to admit that their manners were perfect, but set this down to innate female refinement. They made no effort at all to entertain him. He paid his moderate bills and kept himself to himself. He discovered a boat in a small house which stood by the river and used to pull laboriously a half-mile up the stream of evenings, then float lazily down.

In two weeks, however, he realized that a cultivated mind needs something more than itself. He was bored.

Cass City Enterprise.

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Advertisements.
All changes of advertisements must be sent to this office no later than Wednesday noon of each week, else they can not be inserted in that week's issue. Reasonable rates are charged for display advertisements. Local notices in our paid local columns are inserted per line for first insertion. Notices of festivals, lectures, concerts and all entertainments of a money-making character are 50 cents a line. Resolutions of respect are charged for at the rate of one dollar for each insertion. Cards of thanks are twenty-five cents for each insertion.

The wide circulation of the ENTERPRISE in the counties of Tuscola, Huron and Sanilac, makes it a valuable advertising medium.

A. A. P. McDowell, Proprietor.

Professional Cards.

J. D. BROOKER,
ATTORNEY AT LAW, Solicitor in Chancery, Reference: Exchange Bank and Cass City Bank. Office in second story of City block, Cass City, Mich.

Dr. J. H. Hays
Physician and Surgeon. Special attention given to the Eyes, Otitis and residence over 2 blocks store, Phone 23.

Dr. M. M. Wickware,
PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON. Office over Anten & Seely's Bank; residence one block north of Opera House. Office hours 10 a. m. to 12 m.; 1 to 2 p. m.; 7 to 9 p. m. Phone in house and office. Can also be found in office at other times unless engaged in outside calls.

Dr. A. N. Treadgold.
Offices above P. O. Residence Seeger St. Special attention given to children and old age. Special office hours 1:30 to 4:30 p. m. General office hours 10:30 a. m. to 12 m.; 1 to 2 p. m.; 7 to 9 p. m. Phone in house and office. Calls promptly attended.

A. W. Truesdell, M. D.
Physician and Surgeon, Shabbona, Mich. Special attention to surgery. 1-12-02.

Dr. John R. Foote
PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON. Calls attended promptly day or night, will be at office when not out making professional calls. Office at residence. Elmwood, Mich. 12-17-02

DENTISTRY.
I. A. FRITZ, DENTIST. Office over Fritz's drug store. Assisted by P. L. Fritz, D. D. S., graduate of University of Michigan.

P. A. SCHENCK, D. D. S.
DENTIST—Graduate of University of Michigan. Office in new Fritz block, Cass City, Mich. 19-31-01.

John Walker
PORTRAIT ARTIST.—High class work of all kinds. Garfield Ave. Cass City, Mich. 4-27-02

Societies.
I. O. F.
COURT ELKLAND, No. 223, I. O. F., meets on second and fourth Tuesdays of each month in their hall in the Campbell block, at 7:30 p. m. Visiting brethren are cordially invited.

JAS. M. ALLEN, C. R.
A. A. P. McDowell Rec. Sec. 3-11-97

I. O. O. F.
CASS CITY LODGE, No. 203, meets every Wednesday evening at 7:30. Visiting brethren cordially invited.

A. D. GILLIES, N. G.
J. C. LAUDERBACH, Secretary.

K. O. T. M.
CASS CITY TENT, No. 74, meets the first and third Friday evenings of each month, at 7:30. Visiting Sir Knights cordially invited.

Elkland Arbor, No. 31, A. O. O. G.
meets the second and fourth Thursdays of each month, in Oddfellow Hall. Visiting companies always welcome. A. D. GILLIES, C. G. JAS. REAGH, Sec.-Treas. 1-29-02.

Church Directory.
BAPTIST—Preaching services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. on Sunday. Sunday school at 12 m. Young people's meeting on Monday evening. Prayer meeting on Thursday evening.

PYANGELICAL—Services begin with Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Y. P. A. meeting 6:30 p. m. English services every Sunday evening. All are invited. Rev. L. V. SUNDAN, Pastor.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL—Preaching services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday. Class meetings follow morning services. Sunday school at 12 m. Junior League at 3:30 p. m. Epworth League at 5:30 p. m. Prayer meeting, 7:30 on Thursday evening. Rev. M. W. GIBBARD, Pastor.

PRESBYTERIAN—Sunday preaching services, 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school at 12 m. Y. P. S. C. E. at 6:30 p. m. Prayer meeting on Thursday evening at 7:30.

Hospitality at Small Expense.
Entertainment—that is, pleasure to your guests—does not depend on the money you spend, but on your own knowledge of how to receive and extend hospitality. Christine Terhune Herrick tells you all about it. Postpaid, 50 cents.

Foreclosure Sale.
DEFAULT having been made in the payment of money due on and secured by a certain mortgage dated October 26th, 1901, made and executed by Samuel D. Gowen and Carrie Gowen, his wife, to Edward D. Mills and recorded in the Register of Deeds' office for the County of Tuscola, Michigan, on October 31st, 1901, in Liber 101 of Mortgages on page 263, upon which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice the sum of One Hundred Seventy-Five Dollars and Thirty-Five Cents.

Now, therefore, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by the sale of the mortgaged premises therein described at public vendue to the highest bidder, at the front door of the Court House in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan, (that being the place where the circuit court for the County of Tuscola is held) on the 13th day of June, 1904, at one o'clock in the afternoon.

The said mortgaged premises are described in said mortgage substantially as follows, to-wit: Commencing 129 rods West of the southeast corner stake of Section 25, Township Number 13 North Range 11 East and running West 3 rods, thence North 10 rods, thence East 9 rods, thence South 10 rods to place of beginning, being in the Township of Novesta, County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, which premises will be sold as aforesaid to satisfy the amount due on said mortgage and the costs of foreclosure, and subject to another installment of principal secured by said mortgage and yet to become due, for the sum of Seventy-Five Dollars together with the interest thereon at the rate of Seven per cent per annum, payable annually from and after October 26th, 1901, being the date of said mortgage.

Dated March 17th, 1904.

J. D. BROOKER, MINARD D. MILLS, Attorneys for Mortgagee.

Consumption

The only kind of consumption to fear is "neglected consumption."

People are learning that consumption is a curable disease. It is neglected consumption that is so often incurable.

At the faintest suspicion of consumption get a bottle of Scott's Emulsion and begin regular doses.

The use of Scott's Emulsion at once, has, in thousands of cases, turned the balance in favor of health.

Neglected consumption does not exist where Scott's Emulsion is.

Prompt use of Scott's Emulsion checks the disease while it can be checked.

Send for free sample.

SCOTT & BOWNE, Chemists, 409-415 Pearl Street, New York, N. Y. 50c. and \$1.00; all druggists.

Holbrook
Dr. A. J. Charlton, of Greenleaf, called at Wm. Smith's Sunday.

Mrs. J. Henderson has just completed a carpet for Mrs. James Swiden.

Wm. Graham has purchased a new horse. Watch out for a fast buggy ride, girls.

Mrs. Wm. Hill made a trip to Uby one day last week and found the roads in bad condition.

Mr. Harper, of Detroit, who has purchased the Janssen farm, is here looking after his business interests.

"Mother's Bread." Try it. KANDY KITCHEN.

Wickware.
Indian winter!

Loran Brown called on Geo. Bennet Sunday afternoon.

Stewart Nicol did business at the town hall Monday.

Mrs. John McPhail took dinner with Mrs. Sacket Sunday.

School started Monday, after two weeks' vacation.

Giles Fulcher is busy moving on the Greenman farm this week.

Geo. Burt buzzed wood for Mr. Robinson last Thursday and Friday.

Jos T. Wilson, Geo. G. Burt and John McPhail did business at the town hall Monday.

Less Keyser shot a wild duck Saturday and on trying to get it out of the swamp made a misstep and fell in. Keep a steady nerve next time, Less.

G. Fulcher's horses ran away Monday and broke up his wagon considerably. The little boy jumped out just in time to save himself from being hurt.

A SURE CURE
For Piles in Electric Ointment. Send 50c. by mail to E. J. H., 331 Woodbridge St., Detroit, Mich. 2-25-

Novesta
B. Becker will labor for A. Goodall this summer.

School started in dist. No. 3, after a four weeks' vacation, Monday.

D. Livingston sold one of his work horses to N. Phillips Monday.

Mrs. D. Dixon, of Alpena, was here last week; looking after her farm.

J. Ferguson is venerating his house. F. Horton is doing the mason work.

Wm. Justin, Sr., was taken suddenly ill last week but is some better at this writing.

J. McLarty, of Kalamazoo, is visiting friends and looking after his farm here this week.

Stanley Warner bought a team of work horses from Roy Titus, of Cass City, last week.

Warner Bros. are preparing to build a woven wire fence along the front of their farms this spring.

Mr. Gibbard is buzzing wood in this section with his new gasoline engine. He is reported as doing good work.

Argyle.

Mrs. Fred Vatters is again on the sick list.

Born, to Wm. Starr and wife, Friday, April 8th, a girl.

E. Paige, of Deckerville, transacted business in Argyle Tuesday.

J. S. Walker, Cass City's portrait artist, was in town Thursday.

Jacob Freiburger and Frank Seder expect to leave for the Northwest this week.

Mrs. John B. Pettinger, of Cumber, spent Sunday with her sister, Mrs. L. Walker.

Pearl and Floyd Emeigh left for Marlette last week and expect to find employment there.

Fr. Conus was in town Saturday for the purpose of preparing a class for first communion.

Wm. Starr has not yet recovered his pocketbook containing \$40 that he lost last week on his way from Uby.

Wm. Davidson and two sisters, Arthur Meredith and J. Fullmer, of Shabbona, were in town Wednesday.

Geo. Proper, of the Hotel Proper, Deckerville, was a caller in town Tuesday with a view to renting the Hotel Vatter.

The town meeting and caucus were held in the K. O. T. M. Hall Saturday at Vatter Hall was held for the ball on Monday.

The following delegates were chosen to represent Argyle at the county convention in Sanilac County Monday: Dr. McNaughton, D. McIntyre, A. Wheeler, G. Mattison and A. McBride.

The R. C. young people's supper and ball were postponed from Wednesday till Monday on account of bad weather. About twenty-four were out Wednesday but no supper was served at that time.

John Wood and daughter, Mrs. Jos. Lewis, were called to Inlay City last Thursday, owing to the serious illness of the former's niece, who passed away shortly after they arrived there. Both remained till after the funeral services.

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Everybody watch for the entertainment at the F. W. B. Church here in the near future.

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Mrs. Anna Handley returned to her home Saturday night after nursing Don McCaughna, who has been very ill with pneumonia.

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Northeast Kingston,

Geo. Ashcroft is assisting Geo. F. Lee for the summer.

The next W. O. T. U. meets at Mrs. M. Leek's on April 21st.

Geo. Hicks is Andrew Stevenson's right hand man this season.

Miss Mary Osburn spent her vacation at her home near Marlette.

Mr. Johnson is busy enclosing his new barn that he raised March 29th.

Uriah Gooden has gone to labor on a farm near Marlette for the coming season.

Messrs. E. and M. Leek and C. Wells made a business trip to Kingston Tuesday.

Two of Mrs. Chas. Gooden's brothers, from Ontario, are spending a few days in this vicinity.

A large number attended the Epworth League banquet and reception held at Andrew Stevenson's last week.

Miss Mae Cooper, who has had a three weeks' vacation, spent a couple of weeks visiting relatives in and near Pontiac.

The farmers began to wonder the other morning if they would need their sleighs, but it was found to be unnecessary.

The contest held here March 29th, by the W. O. T. U. is to be repeated at the Novesta church on Friday evening next, April 15th.

Mr. Bland's expect to move their goods from here this week as they have finished sawing the timber in the yard. They saved 98,000 feet of lumber this year and did fine work.

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Deford.
Mrs. G. Martin is ailing.

O. Stowell sells patent medicine.

Mrs. Leech has gone back to Pontiac.

Frank O'Rourke suffers with lame legs.

Agents are returning with the blue birds.

E. Niles has settled on the Huffman place.

McCarrick sale on the 6th was a success.

Clark Courliss is knocked out with lagrippe.

Wm. Patch has his new house nearly finished.

L. Patch was home from Bay Port on Sunday.

Wm. J. Crittenden suffers with rheumatism.

Don McCaughna, of Novesta, is some better.

Houses deserted during the flood, occupied again.

Since the frost went out many culverts are gone.

Jesse Solo and Vern Kyle have exchanged horses.

There was a new clerk at Novesta for past week.

A new saw mill will be planted on Sec. 13, Kingston.

G. Martin and J. Nye took cattle to Kingston on the 8th.

Raft on Novesta creek caused wet feet and a doctor bill.

More work done on Widow Harrington's house on the 7th.

School in dist. No. 6, frl., Kingston, opens again April 18th.

If talk is good many of our farmers will take in the state of Washington.

A curiosity at Geo. Karr's—a calf born Sunday without a tail.

Frank Eastman has rented H. M. Sansborn's farm near Bethel Church.

Mrs. Norman Karr has been in these parts owing the illness of her mother, Mrs. McKee.

Mrs. McKee, mother of Mrs. John Karr, of this place, and also mother of Mrs. Norman Karr, of Midland, died, at her home in Wolfton, Tuesday of last week. The remains were interred in the Williamson cemetery.

West Greenleaf

The flood is over.

Judd Vanallen lost a valuable cow last week.

Peter Sommerville visited Holbrook friends Sunday.

Miss Lena Sowden visited at Jesse Sowden's last Sunday.

Miss Pearl Hartsell spent Wednesday evening with Miss May Sommerville.

Mrs. Perry, who was recovering from an attack of lagrippe, has had a relapse.

Mrs. LeePla visited at Mrs. Jno. Henderson's last Thursday, also at Will Smith's.

Mr. and Mrs. Barney Hill made a trip to Cass City Saturday. They report the roads fine (?)

Miss Alta Jackson, of Holbrook, is staying with her sister, Mrs. Stanley Jones, who is not much better at this writing.

Frank Hill had the misfortune to cut his foot severely with an axe, which will probably lay him up for a few days.

Miss Laura Hill and Mart Morrish, of Holbrook, passed through this burg Sunday, on pleasure bent. We don't know whether they found any pleasure in the trip but we do know they found lots of mud.

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Wm. Betts passed away at his home, south and east of here, last Tuesday, after a lingering illness. The funeral was held at the house on Thursday. The family have the sympathy of all.

Novesta can boast of her having several of the nicest gum grinders in the town. One young lady kept her jaws in such constant motion as to require the service of Dr. Howell here.

Don, the bright thirteen year old son of J. McCaughna and wife, who has been very ill the past two weeks, with pneumonia, is gaining very nicely under the skillful treatment of Drs. Hays and Howell.

John McCaughna and wife desire to thank the friends and neighbors, through these columns, for the kindness shown them during the illness of their son and also the doctors and nurse for their strict attention over the sick one.

HEVE-O

The new discovery called HEVE-O is a big success. If you have occasion to use a preparation of that kind do not neglect getting HEVE-O. This new discovery is only for Heaves, Coughs, Disasters and Kidney troubles. Its remarkable results have proven its superiority. A few doses in hot bran mash will break up distemper and stop the cough, and quickly reduce swollen or puffed legs. All druggists, 50c.

Gagetown

Herb Dulmage transacted business in town Thursday.

Farmers near the village have begun to roll the furrows over.

Miss Ella McDonald, of Grant, did business in town Saturday.

The two children of Jas. E. Dando were quite ill for several days but have recovered.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Leipprandt were the guests of J. L. and Mrs. Purdy Sunday and Monday.

Old Boreas has, what is to us, a very disagreeable way of loitering about in his migration northward.

Our merchants feel a sense of relief now that freight is coming in again, even though it does come tardily.

O. A. Rogers is the proud father of a baby girl. Mother and baby, under the care of Mrs. Simmons, are doing very well.

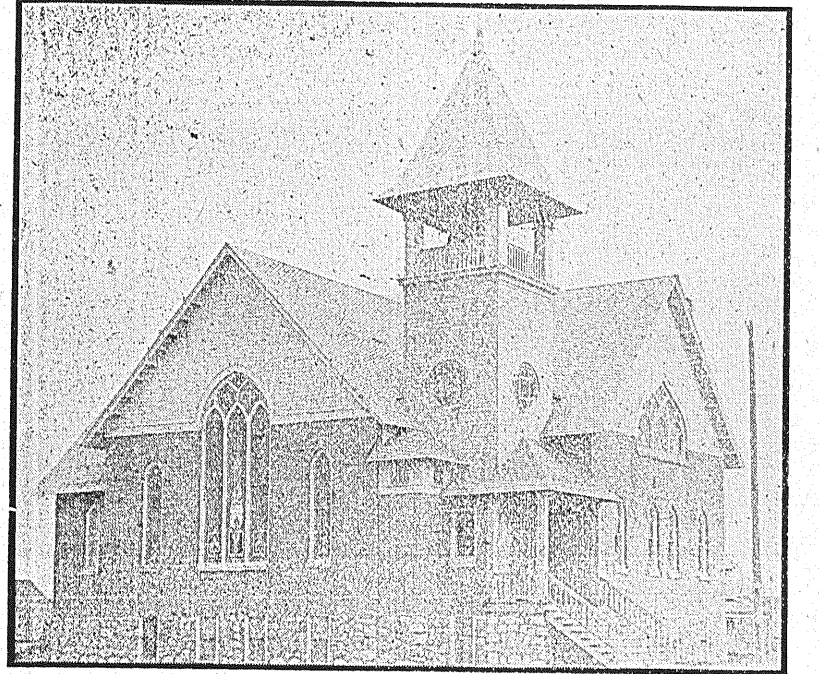
Miss Anna Bonner, who has been visiting for some weeks with friends in Beaulieu, has come to town again and will sew with Miss Jennie Quinn.

F. D. Hemerick is building an addition to his establishment. As the wheeling season opens he needs what is now a pool-room for his bicycle department.

On Monday, Mrs. C. T. Purdy returned from Florida, having spent the greater part of the winter there. On her return trip she spent a few days with friends in Caro.

Our shippers sent their loads of stock around by Owendale Friday, not being able to go by the usual way. This will probably take their loads each week until the bridge across the Cass is built.

Mrs. J. L. Purdy, with little Florence, returned from their southern trip last Wednesday, having spent five weeks in Florida at Mt. Dora. She brings with her many things of Southern growth, curious to Northern eyes.



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Be careful about asking your lady friends whether they remember the earthquake of August, 1884.

Half the asparagus crop of California has been ruined. Perhaps beef will go up some more from sympathy.

Mr. Clechowitz has left Vladivostok for Alden Station, Pa. He sounds as if he'd feel more at home in the former place.

The man who intends to roll to the north pole may be fairly classed as the highest roller in the business—if he gets there.

A jealous Chicago man is going to Europe this summer just for the sake of getting as far as possible from the St. Louis exposition.

Bob Fitzsimmons is to run a cafe on the Pike at the St. Louis fair, and there is no doubt that Bob's stomach punches are the real thing.

A new edition of Dickens' works has been issued. The price is \$130,000 a set. Send in your subscriptions quick, before they are all gone.

New York club women are said to be planning to have a clubhouse where they may drink and smoke. What's the matter with the saloons?

A trolley car broke up a minstrel parade at Keokuk, Iowa, the other day and disabled several of the minstrels. Even a trolley car has its good points.

President Eliot modestly says the secret of his success is hard work. However, we shall keep on thinking that the personal factor counted for something.

No woman can wear another woman's rubbers without pretending that she has to slide along on her feet to keep them from falling off.—New York Press.

Princeton's new freshman dormitories, for which ground has been broken, will cost about \$50,000 and accommodate fifty students. Isn't \$1,000 a student pretty high?

A German professor now in Chicago advises the people of that city to leave beer alone and read Goethe. Well, it would be a good deal of a change for Chicago.

A Toledo cigar dealer is charged with fraudulent use of the mails. Perhaps he solicited women's trade at Christmas time. If so, he deserves the limit fixed by law.

A Baltimore man and woman have been remarried after being divorced for ten days. The lawyers in that case appear to be about the only ones who got anything out of it.

A doctor tells us now that the sensation of hunger can be modified by a mental effort, but we persist in thinking that the best way to modify it is by absorbing a good dinner.

The son of Professor Wiener of Harvard, will at ten years of age be ready for college, so far as studies go. But what use would he be in the football eleven?—New York World.

When you read aloud to your wife the news that Turkey is buying 1,000,000 Mausers, it is a reflection on the intelligence of your audience for you to add: "Guns, you know, not cats."

Here is a maxim attributed to one of our biggest millionaires which may furnish amusement for logicians: "I believe it is a religious duty to get all you can, and to give away all you can."

The United States cruiser Buffalo has arrived at Ceylon's isle, where every prospect pleases and only man is vile. The American jacksies should be careful to associate only with the prospects.

After a glance at the maharajah of Jeypore, with his \$5,000,000 worth of diamonds, the crowd at the St. Louis world's fair will flock back to the "bikes" to gaze at the more illustrious Bob Fitzsimmons.

The doctors announce that bedrooms are thronged to the doors with murderous microbes and baleful bacilli. It's now reached the point where no one can safely eat, drink sleep or have any money.

The emperor of Austria has been chided by his physicians for working too hard. Pity the case of a poor, old, tired emperor who can't put a substitute on the throne for even a day or two for fear the sub won't give it back.

Just because a man happened to beat the roulette wheel in New York he was threatened with murder and narrowly escaped it. You can't win even if you do. As we have said before, it's a poor roulette that won't work both ways.

THE NEWS OF MICHIGAN.

Wreck and Death.

Spreading rails on the Detroit & Bay City branch of the Michigan Central two miles south of Metamora, Saturday night, resulted in the wrecking of an engine and caboose, the destruction of the latter by fire and the death and cremation of Conductor Myron Vandecar, of Detroit. The train consisted only of an engine, tender and caboose, and carried, besides Vandecar, the engineer, fireman and brakeman, all of whom jumped as the train left the track and escaped without injury. The accident occurred at the top of an embankment, and as the caboose rolled over the stove was overturned, setting fire to the car and charring the body of the conductor, who was pinned under the wreckage. The track was torn up for several rods, and all traffic over this division stopped temporarily.

Three Children Drowned.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Holmes, who live on a farm near Tustin, lost their entire family at one fell stroke Tuesday. Their three little children went out to play, and as had been their custom all winter, went to the pond, which was but a few rods from the house. During the night a thin crust of ice had formed on the surface, and the three children joined hands and ventured out upon it. They had not got far from shore when the ice gave way, and they went to the bottom in 12 feet of water.

They were soon missed, and the hole in the ice told the awful story. The bodies were recovered in about two hours, and they were found together, their hands tightly clasping each other. The children were aged 13, 11 and 9, respectively.

A Very Expensive Scheme.

The mayor of Detroit with others talked to Governor Bliss Thursday for nearly three hours on the importance of his calling the Michigan legislature in special session to enact a law requiring the Detroit United railway to give the citizens of Detroit three-cent fares with universal transfers. It was argued that the matter of primary election reform might also be brought up at the special session, and members of the legislature would be forced, having nothing else before them, to act on these two important matters. Gov. Bliss showed some incredulity in regard to the present legislature giving the people any measure of primary election reform. He said he would decide the request later.

Where Will the Fair Be Located?

The state fair is still to be located. The executive committee of the State Agricultural society could not agree at its meeting in Lansing Thursday night, but it remained in session until 3 o'clock next morning trying. Sixty ballots, it is said, were taken, but none shared a majority of all the members of the committee for one site. The balloting is said to have started with 11 for Pontiac, eight for Saginaw, and six for Jackson, but Ypsilanti received some votes during the session. When the committee realized it could not agree, it was decided to meet on the 15th at Battle Creek to try again.

The Stockholders' View.

At the annual meeting of the Grand Rapids & Indiana Railroad a long argument in the annual report is hurled against the ad valorem system of taxation. It is claimed that the Michigan rate is higher than that of any other state in the north, and that, while the Grand Rapids & Indiana road made money last year, its expenses were in greater proportion and its taxes nearly double the preceding year. It is claimed by the officers that excessive taxation is driving an immense amount of money from the state, and that more will go unless it is checked.

The Burns Trial.

In the Grand Rapids circuit court on Wednesday a jury was secured and the trial of Senator David E. Burns was begun with Lant K. Salsbury as the first witness. The witness gave his testimony under a scathing fire of questions and objections from Attorney Hawley, for the defense. Salsbury stated his interviews with Burns and about \$50,000 received by the senator for his services in the legislature in securing the passage of the bill to enable the conspirators to perfect and carry through the deal.

Can't Arouse Him.

The unknown antagonist victim brought to the Kalkaska jail nearly a week ago by Deputy Sheriff Nash, of Yicksburg, still remains in a stupor, and all efforts on the part of the officers to rouse him have failed.

The man was placed against the jail walls and extreme measures taken to rouse him. Water was freely used, but without apparent effect. It is probable the man's admission to the Michigan asylum will be asked.

Hunters Drowned.

Elliot Hobart and John Gerkey, aged 21 and 24 years, respectively, were hunting ducks in a small lake five miles west of Temperance when the bottom of their boat, which was an old one, gave way, and they were drowned. The mother of one of the boys witnessed the accident, but was unable to summon assistance in time to save them.

McGarry to Return.

T. P. McGarry, whose conviction on a charge of bribery in Grand Rapids has been affirmed by the Michigan supreme court, is president of the Standard Cypress Co. here. When asked whether in view of the supreme court's decision, he would return to Michigan to receive his sentence or fight extradition and allow his bondsman to suffer the consequences, he replied: "My bondsman will not be required to pay anything on my account. I will return to Grand Rapids to receive sentence."

Tax Sharks Jolted.

By a recent decision of the supreme court, tax title sharks all over the state have received a severe jolt. A house and lot in Alpena was sold for taxes of 1900. The county treasurer disposed of the property at public sale from \$300 to 1000, a total of \$300. When the former owner attempted to redeem the property he was asked \$700, the amount of the taxes doubled, with costs added. He refused to pay this amount and tendered the original amount of the taxes to the auditor general, who refused to accept the money. The original owner, through his attorney, then applied to the supreme court, which ruled in his favor. The claim was made that the original owner had one year to redeem, up to the first Tuesday in the following May, on the 1900 taxes, for which the property was sold by the county treasurer. The fact that the time of redemption had expired on the previous year's taxes was not a ground for a writ of mandamus, to compel the auditor general to accept the money. The writ has been granted.

Expensive Tramps.

The board of auditors for Washenaw county have given out figures showing the cost to the county of taking care of tramps during the past four months. The total amount is \$8,268.02, divided as follows: For fees of justices of the peace, \$2,747.55; deputy sheriffs and constables, \$1,330.97; sheriff, \$4,188.50. The auditors claim the justices of the peace are responsible for the greater share of this expense, and recommend that the fee system be abolished, as this will cut off the revenue accruing from the arrests of vagabonds.

STATE NEWS NOTES.

Roseburg is booming.

Three Whitehall men captured 27 coons.

Mulliken, Eaton county, has incorporated.

David Kallipnizokohankimo, is city clerk of Rapid River.

Centerville lights were put out of service by the flood.

Dowagiac voted down a proposition to build a \$10,000 city hall.

There are five victims of smallpox in the Battle Creek hospital.

A man named Trout caught a 19-pound pickerel in Stone lake.

There were 783 boys and 517 girl babies born in Saginaw in 1903.

A concert for flood sufferers in Grand Rapids netted about \$2,000.

For selling liquor to a minor a St. Johns saloon man got two years.

The damages by floods throughout the state is estimated at \$5,000,000.

The Owosso canning factory has sold its output of tomatoes for 1904.

Benton Harbor girls' basketball team claim the title of state champions.

Four streams near Big Rapids have been planted with 30,000 brook trout.

A deer chased into Menominee by dogs was captured by a game warden.

United States authorities threaten boom companies obstructing Saginaw river.

Thirty-one thousand plants have been purchased for the Saginaw forest farm.

Hunters killed three wildcats, a lynx and wolf during March in Baraga county.

For beating his mother, Charles Ross, of Lexington, is serving 30 days in jail.

Dikes are proposed to prevent a repetition of the recent flood in Grand Rapids.

Natty tennis flannel uniforms will adorn the Battle Creek policemen this summer.

A Port Huron officer suggests the whipping post for men neglecting their families.

"James Jones," bogus check artist, worked three Muskegon merchants for \$15 each.

Charles Bennett, of Eaton Rapids, had his nose broken by a colt he was breaking.

The two-year-old daughter of William Barnett, of Lansing, died from drinking ice.

Battle Creek will build a \$50,000 filtering plant to cleanse water from Gogiac lake.

George Lyons, of Plushing, lost \$3,000 worth of lumber. It floated down the Flint river.

Twenty-five men who voted for Fremont have formed an organization in Ingham county.

Mrs. Louise Adle, of Caro, died last week on the first anniversary of her husband's death.

The bonding of Essexville for a water works system was lost by a vote of 158 to 101.

Mrs. Yetta Hilteloch, 67 years old, of Bay City, while writing a letter to her son, fell dead.

A Kalamazoo man asks for divorce from his wife because she refused to cook trout for him.

Fourteen-year-old Deloss Colby, of Grandstone City, was killed while looking for eggs in the barn.

The 1-year-old daughter of Mrs. Jno. Murray was found drowned in a tub of water left on the kitchen floor while the mother went into the back yard to hang out some clothes. The child had been left in another room, and how it managed to get to and into the tub is a mystery.

Stephen Brooks, aged 14, of Mt. Pleasant, started out to hunt muskrats on the Chippewa river. A few hours later his body was discovered in the bottom of the boat, with a big hole in his breast. It is supposed that he attempted to draw the gun toward him when it was accidentally discharged.

There have been 143 consecutive days of sleighing in Luzerne. The snow is now mostly gone.

A Saginaw man when pulled out of the river half dead refused to touch liquor, saying he never drank.

The case of Harry Fairbanks, charged with the murder of Arba Martin, at Lawrence, Oct. 31, last, ended with a verdict of not guilty.

Arthur Eagleton, a prominent young man of Charlevoix, who fell into the lumber company's vat and was terribly scalded, died from his injuries.

The supreme court denies McGarry's appeal for a new trial, so his conviction in connection with the Grand Rapids water scandal stands. He is now in Florida.

A Branch county young man who attempted to propose to a girl over a country party telephone line a few nights ago, has received four acceptances already.

Fred D. Woodworth, sentenced for two years to Lonia, one year ago, for embezzling the funds of Ingham county, that came into his hands as county clerk, was paroled Friday.

Michael O'Brien, of Parma, aged 40, was killed by the caving in of a gravel bank in a pit at Bloomenville. He was working on a Michigan Central steam shovel. A widow survives.

By a three-fourths majority, west side voters of Bay City approved of bonding the municipality for \$50,000 to complete new canals, ordered, and to extend the water mains.

Judge Wolcott, of the Grand Rapids circuit court, has issued a mandamus compelling the Grand Rapids & Indiana railroad to reduce their fares in this state from 3 cents to 2 1/2 cents per mile.

Two young men who pleaded guilty to stealing 2,800 pounds of copper from the Pere Marquette railroad company, say that the copper is sunk in Black river. The diver is unable to find it.

Mrs. Jane Bowen, 52 years old, of Ironwood, hanged herself in a closet. Her daughter found her. Her husband deserted her a few years ago. Three children had since helped to support her.

A 35-mile gale wrecked the Escanaba street railway power plant, struck Friday, causing a suspension of street car service and of all other lines of business supplied with power from the company.

John Elliott, of Lansing, who jumped from a straw stack a couple of weeks ago, fracturing both ankles, is dead, blood poisoning having set in. Elliott had tried to have one of his legs amputated.

The pardon board will recommend a parole for Dr. F. D. Woodworth, convicted of misconduct in office while county clerk in Ingham county. He has served one year of a two-year sentence at Lonia.

Burglars entered the Farwell post-office through the rear window Wednesday night and worked the combination of the safe, taking \$75 in stamps. The office was robbed a year ago last September.

President Stephen Corven issued orders to the Michigan Mine Workers Friday to resume work at all the mines Monday morning. This settles working conditions for two years, and both operators and miners look forward to a period of prosperity.

William Allen, John Kinnee and Edward Cronin, well-to-do farmers near Traverse City, have been sued for \$10,000 damages for frightening the wife and daughter of Lester Priest so seriously last October that both women have been seriously ill since.

Harry James, of Ann Arbor, attempted to cross the river in a duck boat when an eddy capsized the boat. He was rescued, but he reached shore with water near shore, but in trying to save the boat stepped into a deep hole and disappeared. Men attempted to rescue him in vain. He leaves a wife and two children.

Indications point to the building of more summer cottages on the shores of Oakland county's many pretty lakes this spring and summer than ever before.

The approach of warm weather is bringing many inquiries for sites. Building promises to be especially active at Orreland, Cass, Pine, Orion and Sylvan lakes.

Gov. Bliss has given freedom under parole conditions to David M. Richards, sent to Jackson from Wayne county, May 25, 1902, for 2 1/2 years for larceny; Peter DeWolf, Kent county, June, 1900, to Jackson for five years for larceny; Emmett Carey, St. Clair county, Dec. 21, 1901, to Jackson four years for larceny and George M. Fauble, Osceola, to Jackson, March 5, 1902, for five years for forgery. Fauble is dying with consumption.

An exploding gasoline stove created a temporary panic at a K. O. T. M. hall in Sault Ste. Marie, where some 200 people were dancing. Some window draperies in the dance hall were set on fire. The hall was in the third story of the Prince-Harrison block with an entrance through a narrow winding stairway. Some persons leaped out of windows to lower roofs and Miss Haddock was trampled severely in a rush for the stairway. Others were bruised and hurt. Cool heads soon extinguished the flames and restored order.

CONDENSED NEWS.

Through the United States government Russia has again been requested by Japan to allow the Japanese refugees on Sakhalin island to be transported to Japan.

Moving pictures for the insane in the latest treatment made use of at the Dunning asylum, Chicago. The excitable maniacs are calmed, the melancholy are stimulated and aroused from their chronic brooding, and one and all showed a beneficial reaction from their troubles.

Coley Hayden, aged 19, was shot for peeping through the fence at Lexington, Ky., where the State College students were playing baseball. Lee Anderson, who fired the shot, defied Police Captain Brown and was backed by 200 students. Brown rushed in, wrested the revolver from Anderson and arrested him.

THE NEWS OF THE WORLD.

The Jap Armies.

Advices received from Kobe, Japan, say the Japanese government has 200,000 troops in motion and fully 80,000 more under arms, in garisons and at the depots. These numbers are exclusive of the third reserves, numbering 420,000, which have not been called to the colors.

The exact number of troops which have left Japan for their various destinations is not known, but the entire first army has been landed, and has established itself in northwestern Korea, with its main base at Chianm-poo. The Japanese general staff still carefully guards the plan of campaign, but it is generally believed that it will operate three armies, each nominally numbering 100,000 men, the second army landing west of the Yalu river and the third army east of New-Chwang. The landing of the latter two armies will be easily accomplished for the light cruiser squadrons can protect both movements.

It is thought that the landing of a heavy Japanese force west of the mouth of the Yalu will force the Russians to abandon the fortifications which they have been erecting north of the Yalu for the purpose of opposing the crossing of the first army of Japan.

The advance guard of the Japanese army in northwestern Korea has occupied the town of Seng-Cheng (Sun Chum) without opposition. Seng-Cheng is on the Pekin road, 18 miles west of Chong Ju and about 40 miles south of Wiju.

When the Japanese drove the Russians out of Chong Ju last week the Russians withdrew in two columns, one going over the Koak Sun road and the other over the Pekin road. The Japanese advance from Chong Ju was made very rapidly. The Russians did not resist this advance, and now it is not probable there will be any further opposition south of the Yalu river.

Chong Ju, because of its superior natural surroundings, is the strongest place between Ping-Yang and Wiju. Besides these natural advantages there is an old Korean fort here.

The Russian pretense of withdrawing gradually to the northward toward the Yalu is reported that the ice on the Yalu is well broken up and in the future the river must be crossed either in junks or over pontoon bridges.

The Spring Blizzard.

Blizzards and snow are reported throughout all the northwest. In many places transportation is completely blocked, and even communication by telegraph cut off. The storm was apparently at its worst in eastern North Dakota Saturday. No freight trains were running in Minnesota and North Dakota, and passenger trains were behind schedule time. At Osceola, in central Wisconsin, there was six inches of snow and a severe blizzard reported everywhere. Many wires are reported down and the heavy snow in North Dakota leads railroad officials to rush all traffic over their lines before a general thaw and attendant blizzards. Dispatches say that North Dakota is buried under two and one-half feet of snow and sleet, and that Fargo is entirely cut off from all communication. The Great Northern tracks in Montana are under a foot of water, and the Missouri river is above its banks.

Ex-Queen Isabella Dead.

Ex-Queen Isabella of Spain, grandmother of King Alfonso, died in Paris Saturday morning of influenza with complications. The deceased queen had been one of the conspicuous figures of the world since she married King Alfonso in 1870, she continued to live with queenly magnificence, giving largely to charitable and religious works. Isabella was 74 years of age and had lived in Paris since 1870, being forced into exile after a notorious career which began when forced into marrying a brute whom she hated. Her reign of 35 years was characterized by gross misgovernment, which caused her to be despised.

Mormons Are Frightened.

The action of the general conference of the Mormon church in declaring all who may take plural wives will be liable to excommunication and will not be protected in any way has given many prominent Mormon visions of the penitentiary. The action of President Joseph F. Smith in forcing this action came as an unpleasant surprise to those who had recently entered into their plural marriages, supposing the authorities would wink at it. According to the Mormon belief, excommunication would cut off all hope of heaven, but that does not worry the polygamists so much as the prospect of going to the penitentiary.

Attacks the Bible.

Canon Henson, one of the chief dignitaries of Westminster abbey, London, and a select preacher of both Oxford and Cambridge universities, has raised a storm of criticism by an article in the Contemporary Review, in which he entered into the question of the future of the Bible. In this article Canon Henson impugns the inspiration of the old testament, referring to its "incredible, periclit or demoralizing narratives" which are regarded as being a "pack of lies too gross for toleration."

To Enter the Dominion.

It is understood in official quarters, a Paris dispatch says, in spite of statements to the contrary, that there is foundation for the reports that Newfoundland will take steps to enter the Dominion of Canada as the result of the Anglo-French settlement of the shore and fisheries questions, which heretofore had interfered with Newfoundland's complete sovereignty.

The Boers who are now at St. Louis to give an exhibition during the world's fair, will settle in Mexico after the fair closes.

NATIONAL CAPITAL NOTES.

Informally the house and senate leaders have agreed to adjourn in three weeks. Most of the appropriation bills have already come up, and the legislators see an early windup.

The postoffice appropriation bill is regarded as in bad shape, so far as it concerns the rural free delivery service. The senators would like to solve the problem of better pay and privileges for the carriers, but no plan yet suggested seems to fit the needs of the entire service.

The District of Columbia court of appeals sustained the criminal code in holding that the indictments against former Assistant Attorney General James N. Tynor and former Law Clerk Harrison J. Barrett, of the post-office department, were covered by the statute to punish conspiracy.

The department of commerce bill, making numerous changes in the inspection of vessels, passed the senate. It places the four Michigan districts in three separate classes, the Lake Michigan district being rated first with \$2,000 salary for the inspector of hull and boilers; \$1,800 in the Detroit district; and \$1,500 in the Port Huron and the Superior districts.

Postal inspectors are to be sent to Michigan and to some other states to investigate suspicious looking actions in star route contracts. To prevent the raffling out of rural routes, the department insists that the carrier must live on his route. Carriers are in some places acting through third parties, with power of attorney, which is thought to be a means of evading the above rule.

Must Show Contracts.

The case of the interstate commerce commission vs. Baird, commonly known as the anthracite coal case, was decided by the supreme court of the United States Monday in favor of the contentions of the commission, the decision of the United States circuit court for the southern district of New York being reversed.

This is the case instituted before the commission by W. R. Hearst of New York who alleged discrimination in freight rates by the railroad companies which reached the anthracite coal mines in Pennsylvania.

During the hearing some of the witnesses refused to produce certain contracts bearing upon the business of the railroad companies and the coal mines, and this refusal was upheld by the circuit court of New York.

The United States supreme court holds that the contracts should have been supplied. The opinion was handed down by Justice Day.

The Ohio Floods.

Reports from various Ohio towns are that the flood conditions are still serious. At Defiance water is seven feet above normal. Two hundred houses are under water and the river is still rising. Indications point to a continuation of the high water until at least noon Sunday.

At Bucyrus, half a dozen bridges have been swept away and the property damaged will reach \$50,000. The Luke cemetery is partially washed away and bodies are seen floating down the stream.

The Detroit Southern, and Findlay, Fort Wayne & Western railroads have had hundreds of feet of track washed away.

All of East Piqua is submerged, people there living in the top stories of their homes.

At Marion several thousand feet of track has been washed away. Trains on the Erie road from the west into Marion are abandoned.

Diplomats Worried.

The following bulletin has been posted at the navy department: "The restriction of the battleship squadron of the Philippines has been withdrawn to permit his squadron to cruise at discretion, not going north of Pechau, on the Asiatic coast."

Keen interest has been aroused in diplomatic circles by the announcement, and it is not unlikely that several members of the diplomatic corps, who may take plural wives, will be liable to excommunication and will not be protected in any way has given many prominent Mormon visions of the penitentiary.

United States Senator Sentenced.

Senator J. R. Burton, of Kansas, was sentenced Wednesday to six months imprisonment in jail and to pay a fine of \$2,500 for using his influence before the postoffice department in behalf of the Riatta Grain & Securities Co., an alleged get-rich-quick concern of St. Louis, and for having received payment from the company for his services.

Judge Adams overruled the motions that had been filed for a new trial and for arrest of judgment and pronounced sentence. His attorney, Judge Krum, immediately filed a bill of exceptions in the case and offered a bond for \$10,000, which was accepted.

Ten more indictments have been returned against city officials and prominent citizens by grand jury at Milwaukee.

The body of William A. Ladd, aged 28 years, reached Hastings, his home, on what was to have been his wedding day. He was engaged to Miss Florence Huber, of Bath, N. Y. On the last day before he was to start east for the wedding he fell 45 feet to his death through the breaking of an iron beam in a building upon which he was working.

The government trading post at Ross Fork, Idaho, has been held up by two masked men, who secured about \$1,500 in gold and silver. The robbers entered the store just as an employe was transferring the safe from the money drawers to the safe.

Edward's Smooth Diplomacy.

The Associated Press learns that the exact status of the much-forecasted Anglo-Russian understanding, is as follows:

After King Edward had given his personal assurances to Emperor Nicholas that the anti-Russian comments in the British press did not represent the feeling of his government, Foreign Secretary Lansdowne informed the Russian ambassador, Count Benckendorff, that he would be glad to reopen the negotiations looking to a settlement of all matters now in dispute between Russia and Great Britain. Lord Lansdowne did not stipulate any basis of entering into any details. Ambassador Benckendorff expressed his pleasure at the offer and transmitted it to St. Petersburg, where Lord Lansdowne's action is understood to have been taken as a material expression of King Edward's personal messages.

The Czar's Troubles.

The czar is said to be in a highly nervous state and it is reported in high society circles in St. Petersburg that his ministers cannot get him to decide on anything. He frequently refuses

THE GIRL AT THE HALFWAY HOUSE

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CHAPTER XXVII.

The Hill of Dreams.
Franklin found himself swept along with a tide of affairs other than his own choosing. His grasp on the possibilities of the earliest days of this new civilization had been so full and shrewd that he needed now but to let others build the house whose foundation he had laid.

Yet ever a chill struck his soul as he thought of the lost battle at the Halfway House. There was now grass grown upon the dusty trail that once led up to the low-eaved house. The green and gray of Nature were shrouding busily the two lonely graves of those who had fought the frontier and been vanquished in that night of terror, when the old West claimed its own. The Halfway House of old was but a memory. And Mary Ellen, the stately visitor of his sleeping or his waking dreams, no longer might be seen in person at the Halfway House. Recrumbent, defeated, but still refusing aid, she had gone back to her land of flowers. It was Franklin's one comfort that she had never known into whose hands had passed—at a price far beyond their actual worth—the lands of the Halfway House, which had so rapidly built up for her a competency, which had cleared her of poverty, only to re-enclose her in her pride.

Under all the fantastic grimaces, all the mysticism, all the discredited and riotous vagaries of his insubordinate soul, Franklin possessed a saving common sense; yet it was mere freakishness which led him to accept a vagrant impulse as the controlling motive at the crucial moment of his life.

To a very few men Edward Franklin has admitted that he once dreamed of a hill topped by a little fire,

foot of the hill. There were no longer banners of dust where the wild game swept by, nor did the eye catch any sign of distant horsemen. It was another day. Yet, as did the candidate of old, he left his horse at the foot of the hill and went up quite alone.

It was afternoon as he sat down. The silence and solitude folded him about, and the sun sank so fitly slow that he hardly knew, and the solemn night swept softly on. Then he built a little fire. * * * In the night, after many hours, he arose and lifted up his hands. * * * At the foot of the hill the pony stopped cropping grass, tossed his head, and looked up intently at the summit.

It was morning. The sun rose calm and strong. The solitary figure upon the hill sat motionless, looking out. There might have passed before him a perspective of the past, the Plains peopled with their former life; the oncoming of the white men from below; the remnant of the passing Latin race, typified in the ungraced giant who, savage with savage, fought near by, one brutal force meeting another and both passing before one higher and yet more strong. To this watcher it seemed that he looked out from the halfway point of the nation, from the halfway house of a nation's irresistible development.

Franklin had taken with him a small canteen of water, but he thinking himself that as of old the young man beseeching his dream neither ate nor drank until he had his desire, he poured out the water at his side as he sat in the dark. The place was covered with small objects, bits of strewn shells and beads and torn "medicine bundles"—pieces of things once held dear in earlier minds. He felt his hand fall by accident upon some small object which had been



On the Hill of Dreams.

whose smoke dipped and waved and caught him in its fold. In brief, he got into saddle and journeyed to the Hill of Dreams.

The Hill of Dreams dominated the wide and level landscape over which it had looked out through hundreds of slow, unnoted years. From it once rose the signal smokes of the red men, and here it was that many a sentinel had stood in times long before a white face was ever seen upon the Plains.

Here on the Hill of Dreams, whence the eye might sweep to the fringed sand hills on the south, east to the river many miles away, and north and west almost to the swell of the cold steppes—that lead up to the Rocky Range, the red men had sometimes come to lay their leaders when their day of hunting and of war was over. Thus the place came to have extraordinary and mysterious qualities ascribed to it, on which account, in times gone by, men who were restless, troubled, disturbed, dissatisfied, came thither to fast and pray.

Hither they bore the great dead. It was upon the Hill of Dreams that his people buried White Calf, the last great leader of the Plains tribes, who fell in the combat with the not less savage giant who came with the white men to hunt in the country near the Hill of Dreams. Since that time the power of the Plains tribes had waned, and they had scattered and passed away. The swarming white men—Visigoths, Vandals—had found out this spot for centuries held mysteriously dear to the first peoples of that country. They tore open the graves, scattered the childlike emblems, picked to pieces the little packages of furs and claws, jibing at the "medicine" which in its time had meant so much to the man who had left it there.

Toward the Hill of Dreams Franklin journeyed, because it had been written. As he traveled over the long miles he scarcely noted the fields, the fences, the flocks and herds now clinging along the path of the iron rails. He crossed the trails of the departed buffalo and of the vanishing cattle, but his mind looked only forward, and he saw these records of the past but dimly. There, on the Hill of Dreams, he knew, there was answer for him, if he sufficiently besought; that answer not yet learned in all the varying days. It seemed sure to him that he should have a sign.

Franklin looked out over a deserted and solitary land as he rode up to the

affected, though with fortune perhaps impaired as had been those of many Southern families, including all the Beauchamp line.

To this strong haven of refuge had come Mary Ellen Beauchamp from the far-off Western plains, after the death of her other relatives in that venture so ill-starred. The white-haired old widow who now represented the head of the Clayton family—her kin somewhat removed, but none the less her "cousins" after the comprehensive Southern fashion—had taken Mary Ellen to her bosom, upbraiding her for ever dreaming of going into the barbarian West, and listening but little to the plea of the girl that poverty had driven her to the company of those who, like herself, were poor. Now, such had been the turn of the wheel, the girl was nearly as rich in money as her older relative, and able to assume what little of social position there remained in her ambition.

Mary Ellen was now well past twenty-seven, a tall, matured, and somewhat sad-faced woman, upon her brow written something of the sorrows and uncertainties of the homeless woman, as well as the record of a growing self-reliance. If Mary Ellen were happy or not none might say, yet surely she was dutiful and kind; and gradually, with something of the leadership she had learned in her recent life, she slipped into practical domestic command of this quiet but punctilious ménage. By reason of an equal executive fitness, Mrs. Lucy rose in the kitchen also to full command. The widow Clayton found her cousin Mary Ellen a stay and comfort, useful and practical to a degree unknown in the education of the Southern young lady of the time.

Of her life in the West Mary Ellen spoke but little, though never with harshness, and at times almost withfulness. Her history had seemed too full of change to be reality. For the future she made no plans. It seemed to her to be her fate ever to be an alien, a looker-on. The roses drooped across her lattice, and the blue grass stood cool and soft and deep beyond her window, and the kind air carried the croon of the wooing mocking bird; yet there persisted in her brain the picture of a wide, gray hand, with the sound of an urgent wind singing in the short, tufted grasses, and the breath of a summons ever on the air. Out there upon the Plains it had been ever morning. Here life seemed ever sinking toward its eventide.

This old family and the family house were accepted unquestioningly by the quiet Southern community now, as they had ever been, as a part of the aristocracy of the land, and as appurtenances thereto. The way of life had little change. The same grooms led out the horses from the stables, the same slow figures cut the grass upon the lawn. Yet no longer were the doors thrown open upon a sea of light and color. The horses were groomed and broken, but they brought no great carriage of state sweeping up the drive between the lion-headed pillars of the gateway. When Mrs. Clayton feebly sought to propose brighter ways of life for the young woman, the latter told her gently that for her, too, life was planned and done, the struggle over, and that she only asked that she might rest, and not take up again any questions for readjustment.

"You will change after a while, honey," said her protectress; but Mary Ellen only smiled. It was enough to rest here in this haven, safe from the surging seas of doubt and hope and fear, of love and self-distrust. Let it be settled. Let it be ended. For her no cavalier should ever come riding up the gravelled way, nor should lights ever set dancing again the shadows in the great dining hall over the heads of guests assembled in her honor. It was done—finished. And Mary Ellen was not yet twenty-eight.

(To be continued.)

JAPS GIVEN TO ATHLETICS.

From Early Infancy They are Trained to Develop Their Muscles. Considering their size the Japanese are undoubtedly the strongest people in the world. Time and again these little brown men have demonstrated their ability to endure fatigues that would break down the most stoney Europeans. In any Japanese town one cannot walk far without being confronted by athletics in one form or another. In the streets you can rarely escape the painted and gaudily dressed tots who turn baby hand springs, execute somersaults and do other infantile stunts in a wheedling effort to secure the "hairy foreigner's" wealth. A Japanese matsuiri were not the fair it purports without the bespangled light-rope performance, the bamboo ladder climbing youngsters, the wrestlers, tumblers, spearman or fencers.

So deeply rooted is the native love for the strenuous life that the national sports of other lands have been tried in Japan. The minkado, with many of the imperial family, attends the annual spring races in Yokohama, but nothing in the line of imported sports so appeals to the Japanese as cycling and baseball. Cycling clubs are scattered all over the empire, thousands of American bicycles spin across the island and the foreigners experience difficulty in keeping even a few of the records and trophies out of native hands.

The Tokio baseball team is an efficient organization and it frequently drubs the teams from other ports and cities. At the Yokohama cricket grounds excellent and sharply contested games may be witnessed occasionally between the Tokio native team and the Yokohama foreign organization.

The Growth of Bananas

There is a vast amount of ignorance prevailing among intelligent people of the North concerning the growth, production and marketing of bananas. Many people imagine that the natives in tropical climes step out of their huts in the early morning and pluck and eat bananas fresh from the plant, the same as they would oranges and other fruits.

Bananas ripened on the plant are not suitable for food, and would be much the same as the pith which is found in the northern cornstalk or elder. Bananas sold in the United States, even after traveling 3,000 miles in a green state, are every bit as good as bananas ripened under a tropical sun. This is probably true of no other export fruit. The plant of which bananas are the fruit is not a tree, nor is it a bush or vine. It is simply a gigantic plant, growing to a height of from fifteen to twenty feet. About eighteen feet from the ground the leaves, oftentimes eight feet long, come out in a sort of cluster, from the center of which springs a bunch of bananas. These do not grow with the bananas pointing upward, naturally, and if the stem grew straight they would hang exactly as seen in the fruit stores and grocers' windows. This, however, is not the

case; the stem bends under the weight of the fruit, and this brings it into directly the opposite position, with the large ends of the stalk up and the fringes pointing toward the sun.

A word of explanation concerning some banana terms. Each banana is called a "finger," and each of these little clusters of fingers surrounding a stalk is called a "hand"; the quality and value of each bunch depend on the number of hands it has. Some may wonder how the fruit is cut from the top of a plant fifteen feet above the ground. The native laborers cut the stalk part way up its height, the weight of the fruit causes the stalk to slowly bend over until the bunch of bananas first nicely reaches the ground, then the bunch is cut off with the ever-ready machete and carried to the river or railroad for shipment. The plant at the same time is cut close to the ground. The banana is a very prolific reproducer of itself, and at every cleaning of the land it is necessary to cut down many of the young plants or "suckers," as they are termed, in order that they may not become overcrowded up to a certain limit; the less suckers on a given area the larger the fruit they will produce.

Errors of Color-Blind

A well-known oculist, who has an office on West Seventh street, while discussing some of the various defects of the human eye which are not noticeable to the ordinary observer, had this to say about color blind people. "The world must be a curious place to color-blind people, of whom there are forty males and three females to every 1,000 persons. Some are blue-yellow blind, and everything seems either red, green or gray to them; others are red-green blind, and all things appear to them to be yellow, blue or gray of various shades, and others, again, perceive no distinction of color at all, but the whole world wears an unchanging aspect of dull gray.

"To these last a visit to a picture gallery would reveal merely a collection of engravings or photographs. But the two former have the compensation of seeing their own two colors much more brightly than ordinary people. "The color blind do extraordinary things at times. An officer of the navy went one day to buy material for a coat, vest and trousers. He bought a blue coat and red trousers, believing them of the same color. A

British admiral painted a landscape and was very proud of his performance, but he made the tree red, thinking it was the same color as the green. When he purchased a pair of trousers he chose green ones, suspecting them to be brown.

"An architect's pupil, being directed to copy the picture of a brown house, made the house green, the sky scarlet and the roses blue.

"A postoffice clerk was always short in his accounts because he could not distinguish the different colored stamps. And a sodate Quaker has been known to buy a green coat for himself and a red gown for his wife, thinking they were both brown.

"If you see a man in the street with a preposterous display of colors, charitably believe him to be one of the 'color blind.'

"Just why the eyes of women are less defective in the matter of distinguishing colors than those of a man is one of the things in nature that is unexplained. The construction is the same, yet the woman's superiority in matching colors has always been recognized even where man has had the advantage of long experience."—Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

Train Had Fine Memory

"The most wonderful instance of memory," said Bernard L. Houghton, a commercial traveler, who has been going down through New England for fifteen years, and who was approached by a writer for this paper at the Boston Tavern last week, "occurred a few years ago at Squantum, Mass., across the harbor from Boston.

"A society of commercial drummers called the Shutter club had given a banquet at Young's Hotel and had invited George Francis Train as a guest. In the afternoon we all went down to Squantum.

"Train and a party of us sat on the piazza of the Squantum inn and the old man was telling stories about his youth in Boston and Waltham after his family had been wiped out by yellow fever in New Orleans.

"I came down here on a Sunday school picnic on the Fourth of July, 1837," said Train. "During the afternoon the superintendent of the Sunday school gave a talk upon old Indian days, and showed us youngsters how the savages made their tomahawks. With a heavy stone he knocked out a rough Indian stone hatchet from a piece of flat rock. It seemed a wonderful thing to me, and after he had thrown it aside and the boys had done playing with it I ran and picked it up, intending to carry it home.

"But not having any pocket in my pantaloons—I was eight years old—I hid the hatchet in a crack in the rocks down by the shore there. That was sixty-three years ago. I remember that the cleft in the rock, or ledge, was shaped like a cross of the church."

"Do you suppose that you could find the place now?" someone jokingly asked Mr. Train.

"At that we all laughed, and Train got up and said, 'Come with me, and we will see if it is there.' "We went down over the bank by the Boston City Sewerage Department buildings, and Train walked along the shore to a cross-shaped crack in the ledge and dug away the accumulated rubbish of years of tides and winds. Then he stooped and lifted out a little hatchet-shaped stone that had been carefully broken out in the shape of an Indian tomahawk."—Boston Journal.

Are of Scotch Descent

The prevalence of Scotch names with the Creek and Cherokee Indians has at various times been the source of some comment. Although other nations and in fact, nearly every nation is represented by the names borne by these people, the Scotch names are far more numerous and have suffered less change than those acquired from any other nation. The names of some of these Scotch Indians are closely allied with the history of these two nations for the last 100 years, and for several generations such names as McIntosh, McKellup, McCombs, Adair, McQueen and McGilvary are registered on nearly all the treaties and official papers of moment in either nation. Men bearing these names to-day are among the foremost of the progressive Indians.

The News of Okmulgee gives this account of the origin of these Scotch names:

"As was stated, the origin of these Scotch names dates back over 100 years. At that time the Creek and Cherokee Indians, more especially, bent their efforts toward building up a nation of physically perfect men. The women were encouraged to mate

FAT MAN, FAT FARE.

System That Puts Large and Small on an Equality.
It takes Western people to look out for themselves and give every man a fair show, even in rapid transit, says the New York Times. It is not probable that in Pueblo, Colo., there is the trouble with overcrowding in street cars that is to be found in New York, but on the Pueblo Valley railroad every man pays according to his weight. If the corpulent mine-owner and his fur coat envelop the slim strip of a counter-jumper sitting next him the C. J. does not meditate with wrath



upon bloated bondholders and their monopolies, for he knows that the bulky individual is paying at least twice the amount of his own fare. That is the way they do it on the Pueblo Valley. Every passenger is weighed, and pays according to his avoirdupois. Before he enters the car he steps upon a weighing machine, his weight is automatically stamped upon a slip of paper, which he gives to the conductor, who charges him accordingly. The moral effects of this system are far-reaching, and New York officials may take notice.

EGGS GET IN DEADLY WORK.

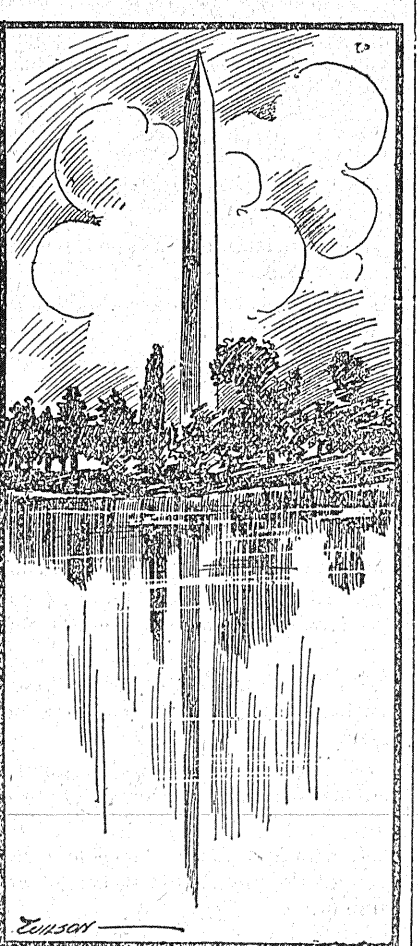
Many Hens Killed by Violent Explosions of Their Frozen Product.

A most remarkable hen story, vouched for by veracious and respectable people, comes from New Kent county, Virginia. W. P. Tunstall, who conducts a large henery, found several of his fowls dead, with their bodies badly mutilated. While investigating the cause he heard a muffled explosion and saw a hen fall from her nest, torn and bleeding.

Looking into the matter further, he ascertained that the explosion was due to the fowls sitting on frozen eggs, which when they became warm exploded with deadly effect.

According to Mr. Tunstall, the bodies of the dead fowls had pieces of eggshell all through them.

Reflection of Monument.



The Washington national monument, erected to commemorate the first President of the United States, is the loftiest stone structure in the world. The illustration shows the pretty effect produced by its reflection in the water.

Anti-Corset League.

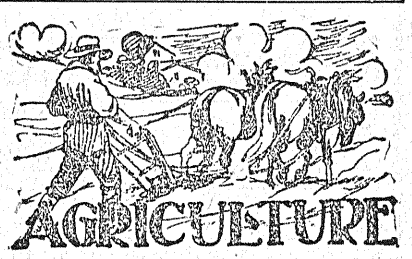
About sixty ladies and many more gentlemen have joined the Anti-Corset League at Leeds, England, which is an offshoot of the Leeds Society of Physical Culture. The males have vowed never to marry "corsets wrecks." Ladies are exhorted at the peril of abandonment the use of corsets entirely, and there is a hard and fast rule that every woman member shall have no restriction of bands or other tight clothing round the waist, but shall endeavor to have all garments suspended from the shoulders.

Music and Racing.

A stepphase mare named Fire Island, which won at Lingfield, would not take her food, and her owner was thinking of turning her out of training, when it was discovered that the animal had a wonderful liking for music. A musical-box, playing about two dozen tunes, was placed near her, and this was wound up twice a day. The result was magical, for within a few weeks the mare won two races.—London Tit-Bits.

Crow Forages for Itself.

A hungry crow entered the hen-house of Edward Haskins at East Wareham, Mass., one day recently and carried away six eggs.



To Prevent Potato Blight.

One of the diseases that has annually cut down the totals of our potato crop is blight. There are two varieties of blight, the early and the late. The late blight is the same disease that later manifests itself in the tubers as rot. Each kind of blight has its growing period about the same as that of the development of the potato plant. It appears on the leaves of the potato plant and at that time is nothing more than a mold. To destroy this mold at the time of its appearance on the potato leaves is to save the potato vines. If not attended to, the leaves soon have brown places on them, and these brown places increase till they cover the leaves, which wilt and die. The development of the tubers is of course stopped, as there can be no development of the root portions, if the leaves, which elaborate the food, are killed.

Fortunately it has been found that our most common spraying material—Bordeaux mixture—is the very thing to apply to the potato tops at the time the blight begins to appear. The treatment has been widely tried and with great success, the crop yield being increased thereby up to 60 bushels of tubers per acre. Unfortunately a good many farmers are very slow about using this means of prevention, as it is a new thing to them. The Bordeaux formula has been printed so many times that it seems quite superfluous to repeat it here. Two or three sprayings will cost but little and should be entirely effective in stopping the progress of the blight. In many cases this will make all the difference in the world with the size of the potato crop.

Try Some Rape.

The use of rape is becoming every year more popular. It is a good feed for almost every farm animal except the dairy cow that is giving milk. In her case the flavor of the rape seems to get into the milk in spite of the assurance of some of the advanced scientists that no odor, except it be connected with a volatile oil, can get through the cow into the milk. But the rape plant may be serviceable in so many ways that it is a pity our farmers do not more rapidly put it into use on their farms. It can be sown early and should be, so that it will become well rooted before the dry time of summer comes on. It may be used as a pasturage for sheep, hogs and poultry and may be fed as a soiling crop to cattle of all descriptions, except as noted above. Rape has the advantage over most other crops, in that it makes a quick growth and can be sown consecutively during the spring and summer, yielding a forage right up to frost.

In cutting it for soiling purposes the advise is given not to cut it closer to the ground than four inches, so that it may have a chance to spring up again and develop leaves. If cut near the ground, it will be discouragingly slow in starting up again, especially in the hot and dry time of summer.

Farms in Michigan.

The report of the Department of Agriculture of Michigan gives the number of farms in the state at 165,327, with an average size of 89.33 acres. Just how many farms there are will depend on what one considers a farm. There are many small holdings which counted farms would enormously increase the number. This probably accounts for the greater number reported by the United States census of 1900, as to Michigan. It gives the following:

Number of farms.....	203,261
Under 3 acres.....	1,058
3 and under 10 acres.....	5,077
10 and under 20 acres.....	7,335
20 and under 50 acres.....	59,197
50 and under 100 acres.....	71,021
100 and under 175 acres.....	43,741
175 and under 200 acres.....	10,815
200 and under 500 acres.....	4,364
500 and under 1,000 acres.....	517
1,000 acres and over.....	136

Classified by tenure:

Owners.....	150,871
Part owners.....	15,618
Owners and tenants.....	2,325
Managers.....	2,234
Cash tenants.....	9,731
Share tenants.....	22,482

It would be well if the state and nation would adopt a uniform basis for their statistics.

Value of Rotation.

Field experiments with fertilizers have been conducted for several years by the Ohio Experiment Station at Strongsville. At the summary of results published by the station shows that the average value of the total increase in the 5-crop rotation at Wooster has been greatest on the plots receiving the largest application of commercial fertilizers and barnyard manure and these plots have gradually outranked the others in net profit per acre. The results at Strongsville indicate that the applications of nitrogen and potash may be safely reduced to the lowest quantities used in the test. They further show that phosphoric acid is the dominant element in producing increase of crop on that soil. In these tests steamed bone meal proved more effective than raw bone meal, which was believed to be due to its greater fineness.

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SCHOOL NOTES.

Lena Fairweather acts as pianist. Blanch Hawes has entered school in the third grade. Eighteen new pupils have entered in the kindergarten. Stanley Hawson has entered school in the sixth grade. The seventh and eighth grades are taking up word study. The Cicero class has read to the sixth oration this year. The fifth and sixth grades have commenced the study of nature. The class in Bookkeeping will commence their work next Monday. Lloyd McKim and Floyd Hawes have entered school in the second grade. Edith Withey spelled the seventh and eighth grades down this week. Misses Ora McKim and Vida Patterson have returned to school after a short illness. The class in Physics begin laboratory work next Monday. There will be, for the remainder of the term, two recitation periods per week, and three laboratory per week. The Cass City and Caro High School base ball teams will cross bats on the Cass City ball diamond Saturday at 2:30. Every pupil should be present to help gain victory. Admission 10 and 15 cents. The weekly exercise on Wednesday morning was opened by a solo by Miss Ora McKim. Lawyer E. B. Landon addressed the school on the topic, "Moral Side of Education." He said Education was divided into three subjects, Intellectual, Moral and Physical. He described each as—Intellectual, is to know what is right; moral is to do what is right; physical is to have the ability to do what is right. All schools have all means by which to improve Intellectual and Physical diversions, but few have the means by which to train the Moral diversion. The welfare of our country depends upon our moral, intellectual and physical training. To prove the moral elements are the greater, he told of how the English people tried to bribe Washington to surrender the colonies to Great Britain. After the Revolution the people tried to persuade him to be king, but he, having a good moral education, refused. He also used Lincoln and McKinley as similar illustrations. He closed with telling the pupils to adopt the "Golden Rule."

N. Biglow & Sons are giving a cooking exhibit this week, for the Malleable range, which is attracting many of the ladies. They would also like to interest you in their full line of paints. See new advertisement.

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Peter Patterson and Miss Campbell, of Sheridan, were married last Friday, Apr. 8th. Congratulations.

Ed. Wettlaufer and Miss Lillian Striffler, of Cass City, were the guests of Miss Lizzie Ballantine Sunday.

Henry Mellendorf returned from Inlay City Saturday and has gone to work for Ralph Ballagh, at Elkton, for another year.

The Misses Gertie and Hattie Webster have returned home after staying the greater part of the winter with their grandparents in Elmwood.

Neil McPhail and Miss Maggie Connell were married last Wednesday, April 6th, at Bad Axe. They gave a grand ball and supper at the Grange Hall in Sheridan in the evening. Quite a few of our young people attended the ball. We wish them much joy and happiness in their married life.

Estimates cheerfully furnished on any kind of building. Cass City Lumber and Coal Co., Ltd.

Shabbona

A. Kerbyson continues very low. Miss Nettie Smades is home from Detroit.

Geo. Agar and family have returned from California.

Miss Amy McCallum, of Deford, is assisting Mrs. Dr. Truesdell.

Mrs. Lewis Patch has opened her new stock of spring and summer millinery.

Messrs. Geo. Morgan and Jno. Hamilton have returned from the lumber woods.

Miss Jackson has resumed her duties in the school room, after two weeks' vacation.

Gilbert, the little son of Geo. McKee, has been very sick with appendicitis but is improving under the care of Dr. Truesdell.

The following was the result of the township election: Supervisor, John Caister; clerk, B. F. Phetteplace; treas., Geo. H. Jones; highway com., Geo. Hebertson; justice of peace, W. F. Ehlers; and T. Pringle.

Jas. McDonald, living three miles east of Shabbona, has been having a series of accidents in his home of late; on the 1st of April he was at work in the stable, when his little son, Hugh, four years of age, came unexpectedly through the door just in time to receive a tine of a large pitchfork through his leg. Dr. Truesdell was hastily summoned and dressed the wound; six days later Mr. McDonald while hewing timber, at McBoag's, received a severe cut on the head from a broad-axe.

H. S. Waite, who has rented his farm to his son, D. W., and expects in the near future to leave the place that has been his home for many years, was very pleasantly surprised Wednesday evening, April 6th, when a large company of old friends and neighbors took possession of his house and served a very liberal repast of oysters and other good things, after which Mr. and Mrs. Waite were presented with a beautiful sewing rocker. Mrs. Truesdell gave the presentation address. Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Waite:—

Esteemed brother and sister:—We have learned with a great deal of regret that you are about to sever your relationship with us and take up your abode in another locality, and cannot allow your departure without giving expression, in some slight degree, to the sorrow we feel for our personal loss and the loss that will be sustained by the community in which you have spent so many years. It is usually the practice in this practical age to leave all laurels of praise and tributes of affection to be spoken when ears that could have heard and hearts that could have felt are forever lost to human love, but we, dear friends believe:

"The lilted coffin Yielded no perfume—dream how Life's best roses may be given better now." If the true worth of any community is its citizens and the true citizen he who stands for righteousness in the home, the church and at the ballot-box, then the township of Evergreen cannot but be poorer because of the absence of H. S. Waite. For this reason, dear friend, we would bring you, at this our last gathering in your old home, our sincere appreciation and gratitude for the name and example you are leaving behind you and which will doubtless be an inspiration to rising youths of the community. And our dear sister, Mrs. Waite, whose name has stood for all that is kind, noble and womanly, we would also thank you for the example you have left us in your home life as a Christian and mother. When the wise man was painting the portrait of the excellent woman he said: "her children arise up and call her blessed and as one of our own poets has expressed it:

"Great is the symbol of being. But that which is symbolized is greater. Vast the created and known. But yaster the unseen creator. Back of the sound prods the silence; Back of the gift is the giver. Never a daisy that grows But a mystery guideth the growing; Never a river that flows but a majesty scepters its flowing. Never a Shakespeare that soared, but a stronger than he did unfold him. Nor over a prophet foretells, but a greater than he hath foretold him. Back of the canvas that throbs, the painter is hinted and hidden. Into the statue that breathes, the soul of the sculptor is hidden. Space is nothing to split; the deed is outdone by the doing. The noblest are reared by example, and blossom by nursery wooing. Back of the forehead and leader, stands silent, heroic, some other. And colossal behind the achievements, stands meekly, that angel, the mother."

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We are showing this season a very different line of Spring and Summer Goods than ever shown before. No old shopworn goods to show you. It will pay you to take a little time in looking over our new spring line. Whether you wish to buy or not, we take pleasure in showing new goods. Ask to be shown our New Spring Goods.

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world sees St. Augustine and his mother, Monica in the same halo. Omnipotent are the laws of nursery and fire-side; fatal for weal or woe is the atmosphere of the home. And in future years, if we are asked concerning what manner of woman Mrs. H. S. Waite was, we have only to point to your children as evidence that you fulfilled this woman's behest prerogative. And now, ere we bid you adieu, we would ask you to take with you into your new home not only our love and best wishes, but also this chair as a remembrance of the friends whose lives are made poorer by your going. And may the rest it affords sometimes remind you of that rest which remains for the people of God."

A Great Sensation. There was a big sensation in Leesville, Ind., when W. H. Brown, of that place, who was expected to die, had his life saved by Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. He writes: "I endured insufferable agonies from Asthma, but your New Discovery gave me immediate relief and soon thereafter effected a complete cure." Similar cures of Consumption, Pneumonia, Bronchitis and Grip are numerous. It's the peerless remedy for all throat and lung troubles. Price 50c, and \$1.00. Guaranteed by T. H. Fritz, druggist, Cass City; F. A. Francis, Kingston. Trial bottles free.

Communicated.

Mr. Editor:—For the first time in the history of Kingston's commonwealth, the township is controlled officially by men who have declared against the traffic of strong drink. Since our residence in the township there have been many changes,—there has been change of settlers,—there has been change of ideas,—and the man who now stands at the head of the township board was among the first to break the party chain that bound him to a party that since 1802 sold for a price, a privilege to one man to feed poison to his weak-minded fellow creature (for regardless of how brilliant a person may be in other respects, he who takes into his mouth that which makes madness must be weak in that line) We remember when he declared he must vote with the party that said no saloon or suffer the condemning pangs of a hypocrite. David Jeffery and A. P. Jeffery have done much to bring about the good results in the politics of our township, but we would not be forgetful of all others who have contributed to the cause—and not least among them is the W. C. T. U. After the close of the silver medal contest in the Leek school house, many voters said to us that thoughts were advanced in the recitations that put the temperance question in a new light to them, that when they saw a wreck from drink, the thought had never come to them that they had a share in the poor being's downfall, that they had not done all they could do to remove temptation, and that hereafter they would vote honestly.

We are of the opinion that what we need is education along this line. Back in the early forties, when Horace Greeley established the New York Tribune, he said we must train up the rising generation to despise the institution of slavery, and the work was so effectually done that when the president of the United States declared all slaves in the nation free, Jan. 1st, 1863, every state that had not voiced secession said, "his well. So let us train up the rising generations that the drink habit is a benefit to none, and an injury to all mankind. Let it be done in kindness, but done with firmness. No giving away or compromise with the evil. Let no man stultify himself by acknowledging a thing wrong and then voting to give a fellow creature license to practice the evil. We are proud of the political station of our township at this time. We are thankful to every man of both old parties who voted with us on the 4th of April and invite you to join our ranks, help us in carrying forward a righteous principle in town, county, state and nation. Scrutinize with your closest observation the work of our township

board (which will ever be an open book), learning what manner of men compose the party who have declared they will "not put a bottle to their neighbors' lips."

JOHN MCCracken.

Drs. D. P. Deming and J. H. Hays attended the county Medical association at Mayville, on Monday.

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Wheat No. 2 red	96
Oats No. 3 white	68
Beans, Hand picked	1 45
Peas	1 00
Clover seed	5 50
Hay, pressed, per ton	5 00
Eggs per doz.	14
Butter	13
Hogs, dressed per cwt.	5 00
Best, dressed, per cwt.	4 50
Live Hogs, per cwt.	4 00
Sheep, live weight, per cwt.	2 00
Lamb, per cwt.	4 00
Chickens, per lb.	08
Turkeys, per lb.	06
Geese, per lb.	05
Hides, per lb.	07
Potatoes per bushel	1 00

White Lily, per cwt.	2 75
Buckwheat flour, per cwt.	3 50
Graham Flour, per cwt.	2 50
Laurel, per cwt.	2 30
Bolled Meal, per cwt.	2 00
Feed, per cwt.	1 25
Meal, per cwt.	1 25
Bran, per cwt.	1 00
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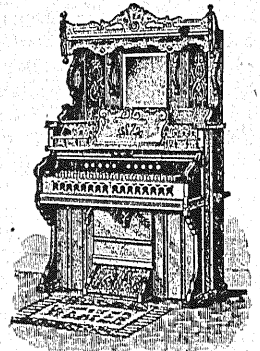
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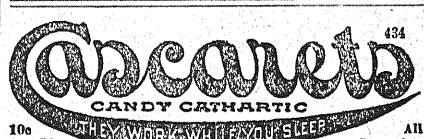
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