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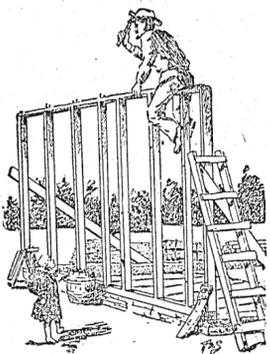
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Our spring stock is now ready. We invite all to see our line. We have the designs and can fit up rooms with the latest and most artistic designs for a very small amount of expense. We have some of the highest grade of paper as well. We have no schemes to offer in offering borders cheap and making it up off something else. We do not believe that the honest way. A reasonable profit on everything is our motto. Our window shade stock is large and we carry in stock the regular size; also in the large shades as wide as 54 inches. Orders taken for anything larger. A nice line of Room Moulding also carried.

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Are you going to build or do any repairing? If so, let us figure on your next bill. It is a common saying that the best is the cheapest. This is particularly true of Lumber and Building Material. We know we can sell you better lumber at lower prices than any concern in the county and can save you money on anything you buy, no matter how much or how little. Call in and see us.

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in innumerable quantities can be found at Johnson & Seeley's Bicycle Store. Bring in your old wheel and have it remodeled and re-named. Get your wheels trued up. A wheel in repair will outlast two neglected. We are manufacturers of

The New Dell

and we are located in the old postoffice building.

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HAVE COME TO A SETTLEMENT.

In the matter of the J. L. Hitchcock estate an amicable settlement was made between the heirs last Saturday. Mrs. J. L. Hitchcock and her two sons, George L. and A. A. Hitchcock, purchased the interest of Mrs. Dr. Edwards in the estate. In the transaction, Mrs. Edwards becomes the owner of the west building now occupied by Wm. Karr, and also of forty acres of land located near the Bethel church. The extensive business interests will be conducted by the well-known firm of Geo. L. and A. A. Hitchcock.

Mrs. Edwards, who will soon depart for her California home, has appointed J. S. McArthur as her agent. He will take charge of all her interests during her absence.

For Sale.

A span of horses. Will be sold together or separately.

3-8-01 JOHNSON & SEELEY.

Oxien Nazone Salve is relieving me of catarrh. J. F. Hendricks.

Try Heller's special process buckwheat flour.

SUGAR BEETS ARE KING

The Following Article With More to Follow Specially Prepared For The Chronicle.

Facts and Figures Given by a Farmer Who Has Practical Experience in Beet Culture.

As a rule people are slow to accept great and important facts no matter how great and important they are to themselves or the country at large. Steam as a motive power was considered an impossibility in the first stages of its existence. The same with the self-binder, electricity and many other great improvements and inventions that have revolutionized the business of the world until now. Man can simply press a button and set the wheels of any great industry in motion.

The beet sugar industry in Michigan has met with a similar experience. Many could not be persuaded that the crop would pay the expense of growing. It was plain to see that it required more labor to grow an acre of beets and deliver them at the factory (the market) than any other crop they had ever raised. At the same time only a few that did really understand they could realize from four to five times as much money per acre from beets as they ever had from their old standard crops with rare exceptions of an occasional year, and then the beets will be dollars ahead of the best results they have ever obtained from their most favored especial crop.

Now to illustrate this fact, the farmer that lacks experience is entitled some proof which we have at hand. We will give the experience of one man that kept a book account with his beet field last year containing seven acres of land. We will not itemize the account as it would require too much time and space. The cost of growing the crop including all labor, five dollars per acre for rent of land, \$10 dollars for small tools, including the expense of \$1.00 per ton for hauling to the factory amounted to \$375; he received for the crop \$525.42. Here is a net profit of \$150.42, and many others in the same township could show a better crop with less expense than the one mentioned here. It has been proved by actual experience in this vicinity that there is more money in beets than any other crop the farmers can grow and the acreage will be fully doubled this year from that of last, and as the business progresses from year to year. It is becoming more evident that sugar beets will soon become the standard crop of the Saginaw valley. There is one fact, the valley farmers should bear well in mind, that is, they are not in competition with any great extent of country especially in our own state and the area in other states adapted to sugar beets is not sufficiently large so that our markets will ever become overstocked with sugar. There is very little land in the world so well adapted to sugar beets as the Saginaw valley, and this part we call the thumb, is the best in the valley so far as the quality of the beets is concerned, and the Saginaw valley will ever hold the distinction of being the center of Michigan's greatest and most important industry.

Whenever the farmers turn their attention to beet culture more factories will be needed and will be built. Transportation of beets to the factory is not convenient to all at the present time but that will be provided for as the business grows and improves. Our clay land of course is the best for beets but on sand and gravel that would produce a good crop of oats, wheat or corn, sugar beets would do nearly as well as on the clay. Surely the future of the Saginaw valley farmers is the brightest of any in the state with these fine great factories already in operation and three more that will be built this season, and plenty of room for more. Our farms should be as current as gold dollars at \$75 per acre. The price must and will advance, watch and see.

GEO. W. PELTON.

TWO BAD YOUNG MEN

Stole Twenty-five Bushels of Beans. Are Now Languishing in Sanilac Co. Jail.

Robert Lewis and Arthur Brown of Greenleaf township have found to their sorrow that the way of the transgressor is hard. On Wednesday night of last week, these two gentlemen stole twenty-five bushels of beans from Wm. Loney and Daniel Uqbart of Evergreen township. They took the beans to Bad Axe and disposed of

them at the elevator for \$35.00

In the meantime, Mr. Loney got track of them and gave chase. On Thursday while returning home, the thieves became aware that they were followed and without any ceremonies made haste for Cass City with the expectation of taking the four o'clock south-bound train, but unfortunately for them they missed the train. Rather than take any chances waiting in Cass City for the next train, they walked to Deford, where they stopped over night, and on Friday morning took the train south to Imlay City and thence took the Grand Trunk train west for Flint.

Sheriff Stone of Sanilac county arrived here on Friday and took up the trail, and without much trouble located the fellows at Flint. He brought them back on Saturday and drove across the country to Sanilac Centre where he placed the prisoners behind the bars. Much sympathy is expressed for the families with which these unfortunate boys are connected.

AN ORATORICAL CONTEST

Vassar's Young Orator Took The Plum. Cass City's Demosthenesis Still on Deck.

The first annual contest of the Tuscola County Oratorical Association was held at Caro on last Friday night. One contestant from each high school in the county and Bad Axe was requested to participate, but the latter and Millington were not represented. Harold Gaunt of Vassar, Stanley Schenck of Cass City, and Herbert Orr of Caro, a trio of bright young men and promising orators, who through their diligent efforts, tried to win laurels for themselves and a victory for the school they represented.

The opera house was filled with enthusiastic students from Vassar, Cass City and Caro, ready to applaud the merits of their choice. School yells galore were given and Cass City was not behind with her

Helly-O Helly-O Helly-O He, Um-a-rah, um-a-rah, um-a-rah gee, Zip-a-lah, bang-a-lah, who are we, Cass City High School as you see.

especially when Stanley Schenck, the first orator of the evening advanced to the platform, and in his usual majestic style gave his declamation entitled "Our Nation's Flag." His oration throughout expressed the need of better and nobler young men to fill the political offices of today.

Harold Gaunt of Vassar spoke next on the subject of "Arbitration" which he handled in such a brilliant and pleasing manner that the Vassarites at once grasped the victory as theirs, and immediately a chorus of voices were shouting, "What's the matter with Gaunt? He's alright."

Caro's representative, Herbert Orr, although small in stature was not in arrears with his discourse on "The Ship and It's Crew," delivering his able production in a cool and enthusiastic manner. The prize seemed almost to slip from the hands of Vassar, and it was with no little anxiety and impatience that the audience waited to hear the report of the judges, who were Messrs. Cook of Saginaw, Glaspie of Oxford, and Houghton of Bay City. After several instrumental and vocal selections rendered by Caro talent, Prof. Cook of Saginaw stepped to the platform and announced the judges' decision. Harold Gaunt, ranking first in delivery, thought and composition; Herbert Orr, second, and Stanley Schenck, third. Though Mr. Schenck's efforts were not crowned with the highest success, it was the universal verdict of all that his production deserved more than ordinary merit.

EXPECT TO BUILD A NEW CHURCH.

The Catholics of this community, of which there are about twenty families, are planning to build a church edifice in the near future. Thus far the members of this church, in order to attend religious services of their own denomination, have been compelled to go to Gagetown which is the center of great Catholic influence and activity. Rev. Father Crowley, the much beloved priest of the Gagetown parish, is zealously watching over the members of his flock, who live in and about Cass City, and for their spiritual good will hold mass in the town hall on Sunday, March 24th, at 8:30 o'clock in the morning. This will be the first Catholic service ever held in Cass City and will no doubt be a time of great rejoicing among the people of the Catholic faith.

CAUCUS.

A republican caucus will be held at the town hall Monday, March 25, at 2 p. m. for the purpose of nominating township officers for the township of Elkland for the ensuing year, and transacting such other business which may lawfully come before the meeting.

MADE ROOM FOR NEW MEMBERS

The Last Year's Village Council Steps Out With a Fine Record to Their Credit.

President Heller Starts the New Council With Good Advice and Sets Standing Committees.

Another chapter in the history of Cass City is completed. It is a fine chapter, too. The makers of it may well feel proud of what they have accomplished. We refer to the Village Trustees Board, which directed the business affairs of our prosperous community during the past year. Our citizens may well say, "thou good and faithful servants."

On Monday evening three members, namely, Geo. Stevenson, E. W. Keating and Geo. Perkins retired from the council forum, and the newly elected members took their places. Before the change was made, Mr. Stevenson arose and bid adieu in a few well chosen remarks. He referred to the harmony which had prevailed among the members and showed by producing figures what had been accomplished by the council during the past year. One year ago there were outstanding orders to the amount of \$3,357.75, while at present there are only \$1,067.30 unpaid orders. In other words by good business management the indebtedness for current expenses had been reduced to the amount of \$2,290.45.

President Heller also thanked the retiring council for the hearty co-operation and uniform courtesy shown him while presiding over the body.

While this fraternal scene was transpiring, the Chronicle scribe could not help but thing of the lamented Hebblewhite, who so efficiently performed the duties of clerk during the greater part of the past year. If only he could have been present the scene would have been complete. He is at rest. It is well.

At the close of the speech-making, the new members, namely, G. A. Striffler, M. L. Moore and W. T. Schenck took their seats. With C. W. Heller as presiding officer, and E. F. Marr as clerk, the new board was ready for business. The president appointed the standing committees as follows:

Claims and Accounts—J. D. Crosby, H. Frutchey and Ed. Brotherton.
Streets and Sidewalks—Ed. Brotherton, W. T. Schenck and G. A. Striffler.

General Improvements—G. A. Striffler, J. D. Crosby and H. Frutchey.
Printing—M. L. Moore, W. T. Schenck and G. A. Striffler.

Ordinance—W. T. Schenck, M. L. Moore and Ed. Brotherton.
Ways and Means—Herb Frutchey, J. D. Crosby and M. L. Moore.

At this juncture, Mr. Crosby expressed his opinion in regard to extending and improving the village sewerage system. On motion the following committee was appointed to investigate the matter: I. B. Auten, John C. Laing and Nolton Bigelow. This committee is to find out what an extension of the present sewerage system would cost, also how the necessary revenue can be raised, and how much it costs to maintain the present system.

The matter of building cement sidewalks was also discussed, and for further investigation the clerk was instructed to correspond with various village authorities and secure facts and figures relative to the building of cement sidewalks.

The treasurer's bond of Amos Bond and the clerk's bond of E. F. Marr were unanimously accepted by the council.

Thus a new chapter in the history of our beloved town is commenced and with the hearty co-operation of all citizens the present council will doubtless make a good record in this first year of the twentieth century.

A SAD DEATH

The Beloved Wife of Preston Stone is Stricken Down By Death.

The entire community at Elmwood postoffice is in mourning on account of the sudden death of Louise V. Stone nee Leach, wife of P. W. Stone, an daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Leach. She died last Monday morning after a short illness of pneumonia, at the age of twenty-five years.

She was born in Canada and in her youth moved to Elmwood with her parents. One year ago last December she was married to P. W. Stone, and only a few weeks ago she entered into the sacred realm of motherhood. She leaves a sweet, innocent babe which

if it lives, will always be deprived of the tender care of a mother. Mrs. Stone was a sweet-spirited lady and greatly beloved by all who knew her. The Chronicle extends heartfelt sympathy to the deeply stricken husband and parents.

The remains were laid to rest in Elkhington cemetery Wednesday. Undertaker Lee of Cass City had charge of the funeral.

"REVIVE THY WORK, O LORD!"

Rev. E. Buchanan, who is holding a series of revival meetings at the Presbyterian church, took the above quotation, uttered by the prophet Habakkuk, for his text at the opening service last Tuesday evening. His sermon was simple, pungent, and to the point. The way he handled dancing and card playing, must have been decidedly interesting to some of his hearers. Mr. Buchanan is not the kind of a man to preach peace when there is no peace, but calls sin, sin regardless of persons or consequences.

Rev. Buchanan is a man of more than ordinary ability. He came from a printer's family, and knows every detail of a print shop, having passed through the various stages of the business, from the devil up to the editor's chair. He has also taken a course in law, and hence is able to give his congregation the law as well as the gospel.

We predict that his stay in our town will produce definite results.

PROGRAM.

The regular literary meeting of the Epworth League will be held on Tuesday evening, March 25, at the home of Mrs. Henderson. The program to be given is a "Convention of Notables."

William McKinley—Fred Bigelow.
Rudyard Kipling—Pearl Lee.
Clara Barton—Mary Zinnecker.
Paul Kruger—Hersey Young.
Theodore Roosevelt—S. H. Schenck.
Mrs. Carrie Nation—Ella Schenck.
Edward VII.—Burt Hunt.
Queen Wilhelmina—Minta Traver.
Helen Gould—Hattie Wood.
W. J. Bryan—Albert Dunham.
Anonymous Delegate from Cass City—Margaret Campbell.

An unusually pleasant social time is being planned to take place after the program.

LITERARY CLUB BANQUET.

In honor to Mrs. W. D. Schooley and Mrs. A. J. Knapp, who are about to leave the city, the Ladies Literary Club will give a banquet Saturday evening at the New Sheridan. The following tasty program has been arranged:

Mrs. H. Seel, Toastmistress.
Bits of History—Mrs. Schooley
Our Town—O. K. James
Music—Mesdames Holloway and Wickware
Our Women—J. D. Brooker
Parliamentary Law—Mrs. Auten
The Invited Gales—Hugh Seel
Music—Miss Westland
The Grip—Dr. Wickware
"Speed the Parting Guest"—Roll Call.
Auld Lang Syne.

GEORGE MATZEN.

Will open his new store with a full line of dry goods, gent's furnishings, etc., on Saturday, March 30th. Mr. Matzen was formerly connected with the firm of 2 Macks, and is acknowledged to be an expert in the dry goods business. His friends expect to give him an old fashioned house warming on the occasion of his opening and you are cordially invited to be present. Read his big ad. in this issue.

Dr. Morgan left on Monday to attend an important conference of the Epworth League workers at Delaware, Ohio. A large extension or forward movement is in prospect involving raining schools or institutes in place of conventions in all the presiding elders' districts of the church. Mr. Morgan expects to arrive at home on Saturday and will present the results of the meeting to his congregation next Sunday evening.

CAUCUS.

A caucus will be held in the township hall of Greenleaf on Saturday, March 23, 1901 at 1 o'clock p. m. for the purpose of placing in nomination candidates for the several township offices in township aforesaid. All are invited.

By Order of Com.

GARD OF THANKS.

The undersigned wish to express their heartfelt thanks to the friends and neighbors who so kindly assisted them during the sickness and burial of Mrs. Fisher.

JOHN FISHER and FAMILY.

Notice to Farmers

The undersigned will be at the Souk City bean house every Saturday for the purpose of taking contracts for beans.

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DAVID LAW.

FARMING IN WESTERN CANADA.

The Great Natural Fertility of the Soil in Manitoba, Assiniboia, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

What Has Been Done by Premier Greenwood, Himself a Leading Farmer.

Hon. Thomas Greenwood, Premier of the Province of Manitoba, one of the foremost farmers of Western Canada, writes an excellent article to the press, from which the following extracts are made:

The writer came to Manitoba from Ontario in the autumn of 1878, and has ever since been engaged in agricultural pursuits. From the day, nearly twenty-two years ago, when he selected his homestead, he has had unbounded faith in the country as a place where farming can be successfully carried on, if pursued upon proper lines. There is a large number in this province who should rather be called "wheat-growers" than farmers. On account of the facilities, natural advantages, and therefore cheapness with which wheat can be grown, no doubt many have done exceedingly well by raising wheat only; still, it is far from ideal farming. Not only will such a course, if persisted in, have the effect of causing the land to run out, as has been the experience of those who pursued the same plan in the wheat-producing prairie States to the south of us, but it is far from being the most profitable course to adopt.

This fact is already being demonstrated in Manitoba. Let the farms in this Western country be managed upon the lines which were successful in the Eastern Provinces, and much more can be done here in a given time than was ever done in the East. The probabilities of failure are practically nil. Upon the farm there should be found horses, cattle, sheep, hogs and poultry, according to the ability of the farmer, with respect to his means and the extent of his holding. The wanton waste which has hitherto been practiced by many farmers, that of burning vast quantities of excellent fodder after threshing is done, should cease; it should all be used upon the farm and converted into the old, sensible kind of fertilizer manure, and afterwards returned to the soil, so that what has been taken from it by the crop may be restored. Although admitting that the great natural fertility of the soil in Manitoba and the success that has attended the growing of wheat after wheat for years upon the same land have a tendency to make such a course as the one mentioned tempting, yet, if continued, wheat growing upon the same land year after year is undoubtedly a mistake.

The writer knows of no country that offers advantages so great to the agriculturist as does Manitoba. The various branches of farming can be carried on successfully, as twenty-two years of practical operations and observations of what others are doing have proven. To those desiring to make new homes for themselves, the low price of some of the best lands in the world (although rapidly advancing in price this year) offers still great opportunities. To all such the invitation is cordially given to "Come and see." There need be no poor people here. There is land for all who choose to come, land upon which happy homes can be established, and from which ample resources can be gathered against old age. All that a man needs to achieve competence in this domain is common sense and industry. With these qualifications he is bound to succeed.

For information regarding free homestead lands, apply to any agent of the government whose advertisement appears elsewhere in these columns. It is not what he has, nor even what he does, which expresses directly the worth of a man, but what he is.

Evaporé of Ointments for Catarrh That Contain Mercury. As mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is tenfold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally, and made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonials free. Sold by Druggists, Price 75c per bottle. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

The national debt of the U. S. is only about \$6 to every \$500 of its wealth. Confidence is a plant of slow growth in an aged bosom. Lane's Family Medicine Moves the bowels each day. In order to be healthy this is necessary. Acts gently on the liver and kidneys. Cures sick headache. Prices 25 and 50c.

Increased means and increased leisure are the two civilizers of man. DO YOU COUGH? DON'T DELAY! TAKE KEMP'S BALSAM. It is the best cough cure.

If Cures Colds, Coughs, Sore Throat, Croup, Influenza, Whooping Cough, Bronchitis and Asthma. A certain cure for consumption in first stages, and a sure relief in advanced stages. Use at once. You will see the excellent effect after taking the first dose. Sold by dealers everywhere. Large bottles 25 cents and 50c.

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Mildred A Trevanion

BY THE DUCHESS.

CHAPTER III.

Miss Frances Sylverton, only daughter and heiress of Lionel Sylverton, Esq., of Sylverton Park, was the most intimate friend that the Trevanions possessed. She was about Mildred's height, and was not altogether unlike that young lady in respect of features, though differing widely from her both in expression and general demeanor. She had handsome eyes and fair brown hair, a good-humored mouth, and a beautiful manner of holding herself. She was quick-witted, clever and affectionate, could talk a good deal of slang without appearing in the least vulgar, and was rather fast and independent, according to the usual rules laid down for the proper guidance of young women.

She was a staunch friend to all the Trevanions, from Sir George down, except, indeed, Charles, between whom and herself there seemed to exist a perpetual warfare, a guerrilla sort of entertainment that smoldered occasionally only to break out again with redoubled energy. Just now the contest was at its height, and Charles Trevanion had left home the last time to join his regiment without so much as riding over to Sylverton to touch his enemy's hand before his departure. This was an unheard-of piece of incivility, and proved clearly that something more even than common had occurred between the belligerents, though what that something was history reported not.

Eddie was a prime favorite of Miss Sylverton's; his affected insolence just suited her rather excitable temperament, and so they argued, and quarreled, and abused, and liked each other persistently from year to year.

She had gone, a week before Younges' arrival at King's Abbott, to spend a month with an uncle of her's in an adjoining county and so was not expected back for some time—a great source of regret to the Trevanions.

Said Lady Caroline to her daughter Mildred about a week after the Younges' advent:

"Mildred, my dear, whom shall we ask to meet them the day after tomorrow?" "You mean Monday," said Mildred—"well, let me see. We have shown them to the Grantsleys and the Blounts, so I suppose we had better say the Deverills, and perhaps the Stanleys, and—oh, two or three of those men from the barracks, and that will be enough."

"Yes, quite enough," her mother returned, though rather dejectedly. "The only thing is, Mildred, those Deverill girls are so provokingly stupid. Mary is well enough if her mother would let her alone; but Jane is—Oh, how I do wish Frances Sylverton was at home!"

"So do I," said Mildred, "with all my heart. But where is the use of wishing? We all know Frances is worth half a dozen of them put together; but saying that won't bring her." "Won't it?" cried Frances Sylverton's own voice gayly; and then the door was pushed farther open, and Frances herself entered joyously, dressed in blue cloth from shoulder to foot, with the daintiest riding-hat imaginable, and proceeded to kiss them both immediately.

"So I am worth half a dozen of them," she exclaimed. "Poor creatures! How I do wonder who they are!"

"Good gracious, Frances," cried Mildred, "who could have expected you?" "My dear," said Lady Caroline, "I am so very glad to see you. You have come just at the very time we most wanted you, and were beginning to feel your loss most severely. But how is it that you are here? I fancied your uncle had you safely for a month to come."

"Oh, we quarreled, as usual," explained Miss Sylverton, airily—"all but came to blows, you know, and separated by mutual consent, which was a great relief for all parties concerned. I cannot think why he asks me down there to his dusty old Grange—as he persists in doing once a year regularly—as it always ends in the same way. We are at daggers-drawn now, but, bless you, I shall get a long, affectionate invitation from him, if he is alive, this time next year precisely. I suppose he feels that a downright good 'blowing-up,' such as he gets from me, is beneficial to his constitution—something like a tonic, or a douche bath—and that is why he continues his obstinate hospitality."

"I am afraid you are a terrible child," laughed Lady Caroline; "but I am sufficiently interested in your return to make all manner of excuses for you, as I want your help next Monday night to entertain some friends who have staying with us."

"Oh, yes—papa was telling me of them," said Frances; and then she stopped.

"They are cotton merchants, old friends of papa's, and of no family whatever," Mildred explained, calmly; and, though she neither blushed nor looked confused, Miss Sylverton could see plainly that it was a sore subject.

"What a comfort," said she, briskly. "I am searick of all this cold, good blood that surrounds us. You need not look shocked, Mildred, because I am, and feel quite gay and festive at the mere idea of being in company of anybody who cannot remind me of

me," Denzil said, turning to where Mildred was standing.

"Certainly. I will even put in two for you on this occasion—it is such an important one," Miss Trevanion returned, smiling on him her sweet cold smile, which somehow had the effect of sending the blood throbbing back into his heart; and then the conversation changed.

"Where is Mabel?" Frances asked presently. "I have seen nothing of either her or Sir George."

"Papa went to Pinchley Common a hour ago," Mildred answered; "but I cannot imagine where Mabel has hidden herself so effectually."

"I think she went with Rachael into the garden," Denzil said, "at least they were talking of examining some flowers when I last saw them."

She came in a few moments later with Rachael Younge, and, seeing Frances, dropped all her flowers upon the floor.

"Frances!" she exclaimed, and ran forward and kissed her friend with honest, undisguised delight; after which Miss Younge was introduced, and made the faintest, stiffest little inclination in return for Frances, careless, graceful bow.

"She is unbearable," Miss Sylverton assured herself upon the spot, and then told Mabel all about her unexpected return. "And now that I have succeeded so fortunately," she added, "in getting out of the lion's clutches without suffering any severe damage, I think the county ought to celebrate my escape by some public rejoicing. Don't you think so, Mildred? And don't you think it is high time old Dick Blount gave us a ball?"

"It does seem a long time since last he gave one," Miss Trevanion answered, assentingly.

"A dreadful time," declared Frances, who was in the habit of adorning her conversation with innumerable notes of admiration, mingled with startling adjectives—"so long a time that I have quite forgotten what I wore at the last! I say, Eddie, have you finished the ruin of that desk? Because, if so, I should like you to get a horse and ride over with me to the Grange, when we will find old Dick, and make him give us a dance before next week is ended. What do you say to my plan?"

"I am willing," Eddie said, and left the room to order his horse. "I vote that we all go," exclaimed Mabel. Why not order the pony phaeton and accompany them? It is a charming drive."

"Charming—and so is your idea," Mildred said; "only I don't think I will go, Mab, my dear."

"Oh, why not, Mildred, when there will be plenty of room?" cried Mabel. "You and Mr. Younge can sit in front, and Rachael and I behind. Do come, my dearest."

"Not today, thank you," Miss Trevanion returned, blushing faintly.

"An' if she won't she won't," quoted Mabel. "Mr. Younge, I have failed, so I leave you to try the power of your persuasions while we go and dress—I dare say you will be more successful. Come Rachael!"—and then she and Miss Younge went out of the room.

Mildred prepared to follow. "Miss Trevanion, I wish you would come with us," Denzil said, softly, eagerly, as he held the door open for her. "The drive will not be the same thing without you. Will you come?"

"It is very good of you to wish it," she answered, bestowing upon him for the second time that morning, her beautiful, indifferent smile, "but I do not think I will—thanks."

"Why not?" he asked, impatiently, still standing before her, and gazing almost angrily down into her calm, unutterably lovely face. "Why not? Tell me."

Miss Trevanion raised her eyes and looked full at him.

(To be continued.)

"Waterfalls" Are Threatened. A few attempts are being made to lower the chignon, to bring the back hair into a low coil. In full evening toilette certain types of women, those who are tall, wide of shoulder, and having well formed, but small heads, look their best coiffe in this manner. And with a single large rose worn on the left, this style of hair dressing is fairly ideal in grace. But folly would it be for every woman to follow this lead, as the majority of them lack all cachet with their hair worn low on the neck. Surely for day wear nothing could be devised so unbecoming as it is not difficult to recall the Lansbury days, and the untidy coils of hair resting upon the necks of bodices.—Vogue.

Fresh Air for Consumption. The fresh air cure for consumption is to be tried in Scotland. A specially built house has been opened at Banchohy, on Deaside, for the treatment of consumption and other diseases of the lungs. The institution is to be conducted on the same principle as the Nordach institution in Germany, and months were spent in selecting a site that will give the best air all the year round. Banchohy has a fine, dry, bracing air, and its winters are mild compared with the rest of the country. The house is constructed to hold forty patients, and it has thirty already. The cost has been £21,000.

Air the Closets. Closets should be aired the same as bedrooms, and the coming architect, if a woman, will see to it that closets in which clothes are hung are provided with a window, be it ever so small, going out to the yard. This window will be so protected that in nearly all weathers it may remain open and supply the closet with fresh air and light. Empty compliments and senseless abuse are on equal footing.

CHINA WAR NEWS.

Inquiry in official circles in Berlin on the 13th developed the fact that nothing is known there officially regarding the report contained in a dispatch from Washington that Prince Ching and Li Hung Chang have asked the U. S. and other powers to induce Russia to abandon the Manchurian convention. The Pekin correspondent of the Lokai Anzeiger gives statistics as to the number of foreign Christians killed during the troubles, exclusive of the Pekin siege. He enumerates 118 Englishmen, 79 Americans, Swedes and Norwegians, 26 Frenchmen, 11 Belgians, 10 Italians and Swiss, and 1 German. It is estimated that 30,000 native Christians perished.

Friction has arisen at Tien Tsin between the British and the Russians over a piece of land alleged to belong to the railway company and to have in possession of the company for some years. According to dispatches from Tien Tsin the Russians assert that this land is part of their new concession and therefore Russian property. Mr. Kinder, manager of the railway had begun to make a siding, but was stopped by the Russian authorities. He appealed to Col. McDonald, who referred the matter to Gen. Barrow, British chief of staff in Pekin, who replied: "Carry on the siding with armed force, if necessary."

A general meeting of the foreign ministers was held on the 12th. There is strenuous opposition against demanding many more heads, but a list of 96 minor officials will be presented to Prince Ching and Li Hung Chang to be tried for complicity in the outrages and punished in such manner as the Chinese themselves see fit, except in the case of six men, who the ministers think should be excused.

A dispatch from Gen. Kitchener, dated Pretoria, March 12, says Gen. DeWet is north of Brandfort, Orange river colony. Continuous rains have interfered with the movements of the troops in Cape Colony. Two bands of Boers are being hunted among the hills by troops under Goringe, Delisle, Grenfell and Henniker.

U. S. Minister Conger left Pekin for the U. S. on the 11th. All the foreign ministers bade him farewell at the railway station. Besides the foreign representatives a large crowd gathered at the station to bid the minister and his family good bye.

The German war office received the following from Count von Waldersee on the 12th: In the fight west of Suling Pass we had only one slightly wounded. The Chinese left 250 dead on the field.

TRANSVAAL WAR ITEMS.

A dispatch from Ansvogel Kop, dated March 9th, says Gen. DeWet has escaped northward by a forced march with 400 men. His objective is believed to be the vicinity of Kroonstadt. Four other Boer leaders are still in the southwestern part of Orange river colony. Now that Gen. DeWet is back in his own country it will be almost impossible to operate against him. Just as soon as he is pressed, his commando dissolves, to meet again a few days later.

A dispatch from Lorenzo Marquez says that a Mr. Martinisen, who resigned a post in the U. S. to join the Boer forces, was shipped for Lisbon on the 9th on the Portuguese transport Zaira, which carried 103 Boer families, after he had made an ineffectual attempt to obtain consular protection.

Gen. Botha is willing to surrender. He asked an armistice in order to communicate with Gen. DeWet and Mr. Steyn. Should they decline it is believed nevertheless that Gen. Botha will surrender.

Twelve fresh cases of bubonic plague, including three Europeans, were officially reported at Cape Town on the 12th. Another death, in this case a white person, has occurred from the disease.

Col. Pilecher's column has cleared the country of Boers between Bloemfontein and the Orange river. The column, with 33 prisoners and 3,000 horses has arrived at Bloemfontein.

THE MARKETS.

Table with columns for LIVE STOCK (New York, Best grades, Lower grades, etc.) and GRAIN, ETC. (Wheat, Corn, Oats, etc.)

Orders were issued at the navy department on the 12th detaching Rear Admiral W. S. Schley from command of the South Atlantic station and ordering him home for further orders, and detaching Rear Admiral B. J. Bromwell from command of the Portsmouth navy yard, April 1, and ordering him to take command of the South Atlantic station, sailing from New York, April 3.

Mrs. Carrie Nation visited the Topeka club, a fashionable men's organization, at Topeka, Kas., on the night of the 12th, and was summarily ejected.

TESTING OF DIAMONDS.

How to Show Whether Suspected Precious Stones Are Genuine.

Although you may not be an expert at precious stones, there are three ways in which you can tell whether a diamond is real or not.

First boil the stone in boracic acid to preserve the polish upon the surface of the stone. Then heat the jewel in a gas flame and drop it into some cold water while it is hot. If it is a real diamond it will stand the test without cracking to pieces. If an imitation, the stone will crack and crumble to pieces. The second method is as follows: Take a cup of water—a black cup, guita percha, or any dark stone cup is best—and drop two stones into the water, the one a diamond and the other, which is known to be ordinary crystal. The diamond, if a true one, will shine a clear white through the water and will be clearly visible, while the other stone will blend with the water in such a way as to be almost imperceptible in the water. Another plan is to procure a surface of striped paper—red and white stripes are the most suitable—and pass the suspected stone slowly over its surface. If the colors show through the stone it is some variety of crystal and not diamond. A real diamond will not show the variety of colors, but will look the same over the red as well as the white stripes.—London Express.

MADAME BAVEAS TESTIFIES.

A Distinguished Lady After Travelling for Six Years in Search of Health, at Last Finds It in Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Hot Springs, Ark., March 18.—(Special.)—This popular resort numbers among its patrons many of the world's most distinguished men and women, but none more so than Madam Isabelle Ellen Baveas, Life Governor of the Free Masons Grand Lodge of England. Madam Baveas, like most of the other visitors, came here in search of health. She was not disappointed, but her cure was not found in the virtue of the baths, but in a few boxes of Dodd's Kidney Pills, a remedy which she found on sale here, and which is being used and with wonderful success by a number of the visitors to Hot Springs. She says:

"I traveled almost constantly for the past six years in the interests of my Society, and my health gradually became broken down, through the change of food, water, climate, etc. The doctors told me I had diabetes and advised me to go to the Springs, as they could do nothing for me. While there my attention was called to Dodd's Kidney Pills by a fellow sufferer, who had been greatly benefited by using them."

"I profited by her experience and bought a box, and then another, and so on until I had used seven boxes. It is with gratitude that I state that they cured me completely, and I am now able to take up the duties of life once more. I am very thankful for what Dodd's Kidney Pills have done for me, and as a grateful woman shall never hesitate to recommend them to anyone suffering with Diabetes."

The very satisfactory experience of this distinguished woman should be an encouragement to all similar sufferers.

Dodd's Kidney Pills are 50c a box, six boxes for \$2.50. Buy them from your local druggist if you can. If he cannot supply you, send to the Dodd's Medicine Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

Paris Gibson as a Montana Senator.

Amid scenes of the wildest excitement, in which some of the members of the Montana legislature threatened bodily harm to their opponents Paris Gibson, the millionaire ranchman, associate of James J. Hill, and hunder of the City of Great Falls, was selected to the United States senate at 3 o'clock Friday morning in succession to Senator William A. Clark. Twenty-two ballots were taken during the day and night session before the legislators could decide upon their majority choice.

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There will be a Pan-American Bible study congress in Buffalo meeting at the city convention hall July 17-31.

The Salvation Army has representatives at work in forty-seven different countries, and issues forty-five periodicals, printed in twenty-one languages.

Charles Bellamy has been a fireman for sixteen years on the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad, and has never missed a trip. During that time he has traveled 606,840 miles, and burned 32,501 tons of coal.

Marcus Clark, the author of "His Natural Life," related to a friend that he had once discovered a French novel that he considered a work of genius. He translated it into English, and when a Melbourne firm brought it out publisher and translator were astounded at discovering that he had merely Englished a French translation of one of George Eliot's works.

A flying wedding recently took place in a Nevada town. In order to catch a train, the bride and groom, minister and witnesses were all bundled into a hotel omnibus, and the ceremony was performed while the driver whipped his horses to the railway station. "It was a close squeeze," says the ambiguous report, "but they caught the train, and everybody was happy."

A young man in Manchester, N. H., proposed marriage to a lady of that city and was rejected. He angrily demanded why he was rejected. She manifested her indignation by emphatically declaring: "Because you are just one degree above a monkey." He rushed to a mirror, gazed at his reflection, and, perhaps, being convinced that he bore some resemblance to an ape, he dashed his fist through the glass, and fled from the house.

The Avenue Louise, in Brussels, is lined with chestnut trees, and an electric tramway runs along one side. The chestnuts on that side lose their leaves in August, then bud, and bloom again in October; while those on the other side keep their foliage till near the end of the year, and only bloom again the following spring. It is believed that the electric current of the tramway, passing through the ground, affects the trees and causes this peculiarity in the trees.

A railroad is actually building from Sault Ste. Marie to Hudson Bay. It has long been a dream of the Canadians to have a water route for Winnipeg wheat through this great bay; and although that may not be feasible on account of the obstructive tactics of Jack Frost, the railway line is certain to bring down to the lake region great stores of lumber, and—it is said—of iron, copper and gypsum. A modern seaside hotel on Hudson Bay is also proposed.

Queen Alexandra's capacity for self-control was shown when she was taking one of her incognito excursions about Copenhagen. A nobleman saw her entering a "bus," and as she was doing so a stout man and two women forced their way in front of her. Not a sign of disapproval was on her features; merely a sort of naive surprise. There was absolutely no comment. As she was unknown, she was free to make an angry protest, but she ruled her spirit, and was thus a model of self-restraint in that hardest of all places to avoid impatience—a public vehicle.

Collector of the Port Stratton of San Francisco has received a copy of a letter addressed by Secretary of the Treasury Gage to Attorney General Griggs recommending that all Chinese women in that city who are believed to be held in slavery be arrested and taken before the courts to test their rights to remain in this country. Chinese Inspector Dunn, to whom the letter was referred, says that he is undecided as to the feasibility of such a method, but that he will co-operate with the state authorities in any movement that he may be made to suppress the slave traffic.

M. Moulou, assistant instructor of fencing and sword practice in the French army, has invented a fencing horse, a device which is highly spoken of as being a great improvement over all other methods of teaching young cavaliers in the exercise of the sword and lance. The apparatus advantageously replaces the five or six stationary manikins of the old system, but it also answers for half a dozen combatants on foot or on horseback armed "a la nation" or with the lance, watching, striking, pricking, cleaving or running through with a real conviction that is interesting to observe. The minister of war has authorized the heads of cavalry corps to employ this "fencing horse."

Because of the depredations of winter tourists, one of the most beautiful private places in Florida has just been closed to the public. Ivies imported from historic places in England and Scotland were dug up by the roots; rare fish brought at great expense from tropical seas were killed by the throwing of stones into the pond, and delicate stone carvings were broken from the fountains and sundials. We hear much of the exclusiveness of wealth; but it is not more obnoxious than the wantonness and insouciance of irresponsible liberty.

FROM ALL OVER MICHIGAN.

Happenings of the Week Briefly Related.

30TH REGIMENT HOME AGAIN.

An Interesting Batch of Michigan Items Prepared for Quick Reading for Busy Michiganians—Amendments to the Constitution Must be on Separate Ballots.

Will Pingree go Down in His Own Pocket? Attorney-General Oren has filed his brief in the supreme court in the case brought by Judge Edward Cahill for a mandamus to compel the board of state auditors to allow his claim for legal services rendered ex-Gov. Pingree during several special sessions of the legislature. Mr. Oren appears for the and opposes the granting of the mandamus. He states the facts to be that Judge Cahill was employed by the governor without knowledge of the attorney-general, and without the latter's consent, either expressed or implied; that the attorney-general was in no way disqualified to perform such services and was at all times, during the period in which they were rendered, accessible; that the auditors determined that the services were not rendered under such extraordinary circumstances as would justify the executive in employing counsel independent of the attorney-general, and that therefore no claim against the state was created.

30th Regiment Home Again. The transport Hancock, carrying the 30th regiment, Col. Gardener's, which is made up of volunteers from Michigan and Illinois, arrived at San Francisco on the 12th and was sent to quarantine. The government tug Slocom, with army officers from the Presidio, and a delegation from the local colony of Michigan and Illinois people, went out to the Hancock as soon as she got the quarantine tug's signal to come alongside. The soldiers were given a very cordial greeting. There were no deaths on the voyage and the health of the command is above the average. The voyage was a pleasant one and the soldiers are happy over the fact that it was made in quick time. There were in all 875 people on board, of which number 26 are army officers, 738 non-commissioned officers and men of the Thirtieth volunteers. The Hancock also brought 73 prisoners and discharged soldiers who were deported on a military order.

An Excellent Time at Hudson. One of the most exciting scenes that has ever taken place in Hudson was witnessed there on the afternoon of March 11th when four alleged safe blowers who robbed a West Toledo postoffice on the 9th, stepped off the train from the east. City Marshal Chas. Atkinson attempted to arrest them and a desperate fight followed, in which about 50 shots were exchanged by officers and burglars. One of the burglars was held up by Theo. Atkinson near the depot and was arrested, while the other three escaped, with the officers in hot pursuit. About two miles from the city another of the robbers was captured after a hard fight, and another was overpowered at Posey lake, four miles north-east. The fourth man made his escape.

3,145 Deaths in Michigan in February. There were 3,145 deaths reported to the secretary of state as having occurred in Michigan in February. This number is less than the number reported for January, but owing to the shortness of the month, the death rate per 1,000 population increased from 15.7 to 17.7. There were 473 more deaths in February, 1901, than in February, 1900. There was a marked decline in tuberculous diseases, typhoid fever, diphtheria and croup, and a very considerable increase in the number of deaths reported from influenza. Pneumonia also increased, but not to as large an extent. There was one death reported from smallpox in the city of Saginaw.

Disease in Michigan. The state board of health reports show that in the month of February, compared with the average for the 10 years preceding, scarlet fever, typhoid fever and smallpox were more prevalent, and intermittent fever, diphtheria, remittent fever, measles, whooping cough and cerebro spinal meningitis were less prevalent.

Eastern capitalists believe there is oil in Allegan county, and several test wells will be put down in the near future.

Dr. Chas. O. Reilly, pastor of St. Mary's church at Adrian, for the past seven years, has resigned his charge. He is almost totally blind.

Trout Lake citizens became excited over a case of smallpox at the hotel, and immediately telegraphed for assistance to the state authorities.

The Caledonia State bank, capitalized at \$20,000, which was to have started March 1, has thrown up the sponge and the charter already secured from Lansing has been returned. Holland will have a gas plant if the council will grant a franchise to a couple of promoters who are desirous of establishing such a thing. If the franchise is given the plant, it is guaranteed, will be in operation within one year.

Rev. D. Cochlin, pastor of the Congregational church at Traverse City, has been nominated for alderman by the Republicans. He is vigorously opposing the brewery project in that place and one of the aldermen told him he was pumping more wind than gospel. He may cut some ice as a member of the council.

MINOR MICHIGAN MATTERS.

Capac is to have a chicory plant. All slot machines at Niles must go. Horse thieves are operating at Buchanan.

One case of smallpox is reported at Bay City.

The bonded indebtedness of Pontiac is \$161,000.

Counterfeit dollars are being circulated at St. Joseph.

One death from smallpox was reported at Pinconning on the 12th.

The coal miners in the Saginaw district will ask for an increase in wages.

The postoffice at Kitchie, Houghton county, has been discontinued. Mail to Venton.

Adrian is negotiating with an eastern man for the removal of a shoe factory to that city.

The Hancock & Calumet railroad will change from a narrow gauge to a standard gauge road.

Wolves are very numerous in Luce county this winter, and hunters are killing large numbers of them.

The proposition to bond the village of Augusta for water works, was lost at the charter election on the 11th.

The circuit court at Coldwater suspended business on the 11th, owing to the presence of smallpox in the village.

Marshall's new \$25,000 school building, recently completed, was taken possession of by teachers and pupils on the 11th.

It is reported that the Calumet & Arizona Mining Co., at Houghton, will place 100,000 shares of stock on the market at once.

The West Bay City council is considering the plan of asking the legislature to change the name of West Bay City back to Wenona.

Hamilton business men and the farmers of the vicinity have organized a stock company for the establishment of a creamery in the village.

Rev. A. C. Barclay, of Clare, preached a sermon by phone, many of his flock enjoying it at their homes. The church is closed on account of smallpox.

Not a train on the G. R. & I. or the Pere Marquette railroads reached Petoskey on the 11th. The snow blockade was the worst of the season in that section.

Thirty-two girls employed in the Schwabach garment factory, at Niles, went on strike on the 11th. They haven't received any salary for several weeks.

Recently a Jackson barber shaved a man who said he had chickenpox. The barber now has smallpox, and a general vaccination at Jackson has been ordered.

The hearts of Watervliet folks have been gladdened by the announcement that the big paper mill, the industrial mainstay of the village, is to resume operation soon.

At a meeting of the moneyed people at St. Joseph recently it was decided to build a theater to cost between \$35,000 and \$50,000. Work will be commenced at once.

The planing mill, mophadle factory and a quantity of lumber, owned by M. A. Agen, of Ludington, was destroyed by fire on the morning of the 11th. Loss, \$4,500.

From 12, midnight, on the 9th, until 12, midnight, on the 10th, 2,037 cars were run through the St. Clair tunnel at Port Huron. The best previous record was 1,553 cars.

On a total assessment of \$12,000, Farmington's township treasurer only returned 89 cents uncollected, and that was on property which had paid no taxes for three years.

It is said that the old roadbed of the Coldwater, Manchester & Northern railroad, which was graded from Marshall to Olivet some years ago, will be utilized for an electric line.

As a result of a terrific blizzard throughout western Michigan on the 13th, trains on nearly all the railroads were stalled. The storm was considered one of the most disastrous one in years.

A murder was committed at the Wayne county house on the night of the 13th. Two inmates named Wm. Harris and John MacMahon quarreled, when the former pulled a jackknife and stabbed the latter several times, caused his death a few minutes later.

The common council of Niles has granted a franchise to the Indiana & Southern Michigan street railway for the use of the streets through that place. The road is to run from South Bend, Ind., to St. Joseph by way of Berrien Springs, with a spur from Niles to Buchanan.

Northern Michigan farmers are apparently not greatly in need of money, for they cut up much birdseye maple for cordwood which they dispose of in the cities. The timber will sell for \$35 to \$50 per thousand feet in the log, and yet it is saved up into cordwood to be sold at \$1.50 a cord just as if it were the commonest kind of stuff.

Prosecuting Attorney Tuttle has prepared a detailed statement of the expenses of the grand jury and trials of state cases, which aggregate \$15,971.22. The expenses of the grand jury was \$1,246.89; trial of Marsh, \$3,346.54; trial of Sutton, \$4,902.67; disposal of White, \$352.52; services of Judge Cahill as assistant prosecutor, \$3,121.60.

The total receipts from the Philippine customs for February were \$750,000.

Gen. McArthur and Wheaton on the 12th reviewed the 35th volunteer infantry.

Sixteen deaths are reports in Arkansas as result of the storm of the 9th and 10th.

Andrew Carnegie was telegraphed Mr. Maxwell and M. P. Burrard, stating that he will give \$50,000 for a free public library to Vancouver City, B. C., providing that the city grants a site and \$5,000 maintenance.

DOINGS OF THE 41ST SESSION.

The senate passed the following bills on the 13th: Raising the salaries of the Wayne county circuit court stenographers from \$2,000 to \$2,500—immediate effect; for the protection of fish in Clam lake, Antrim county; changing the name of Minnie Boorman to Minnie Howard; changing the time of meeting of the Lenawee county supervisors; authorizing the village of East Tawas to levy a tax of 1 per cent on assessed valuation for the year 1901, 1902 and 1903, to pay interest on debts; to abolish the board of public works of East Tawas; to legalize what is known as the "Supervisors Plat" of Ithaca; to amend the law relative to election precincts; relative to the time of suits against insurance companies; for the relief of Treasurer Geo. Barlow, of Courtland township, Kent county, from liability, because of the failure of a Rockford bank; same as to treasurer of Solon township, Kent county; amend general law for incorporation of villages; permitting commercial fishermen to dispose of 10 per cent of undersized fish; to authorize the township of South Haven, Van Buren county, to borrow \$50,000 to build a courthouse and jail, in case the county seat shall be located there.

The following bills were passed by the senate on the 13th: To provide for screening the outlets of Tamarack lake, Montcalm county, and to protect its fish; to amend the charter of Marquette; authorizing the township of Paw Paw, Van Buren county, to borrow \$5,000 to build a court house and jail if the county seat shall be located there; authorizing school district No. 1 of Marquette to borrow money for a new school; to amend an act to establish a county road system in Saginaw county; to constitute the president of the Homer, Calhoun county, an ex-officio member of the board of supervisors; proposing an amendment to the constitution to increase the pay of members of the legislature to \$1,000 per term; for the incorporation of Evangelical German Lutheran deaf mute institutions; extending the terms of county commissioners of schools from two to four years; amending the election law for the village of East Tawas.

The following bills were passed by the house on the 13th: Providing board of jury commissioners for St. Clair county, to consist of nine persons to be appointed by the governor. Salary \$3 a day; correcting boundary lines of the village of Wayland, Allegan county; compelling all electric cars in Saginaw county to be equipped with automatic sand boxes after September 1, 1901; reappropriating \$3,333.34 for the Industrial School for Girls at Adrian; reorganizing school districts in the township of Marion, Osceola county; providing for garnishee service in cases of co-partnership; authorizing state auditors to investigate claim of H. M. Kingsley, injured at Kalamazoo asylum in 1897; proposing amendment to the constitution relative to abolishing the 50-day limit for the introduction of bills in the legislature; anti-color oleo bill; raising qualification of county school examiners from third to second grade certificates.

The following bills were passed by the house on the 12th: Fixing of certain Saginaw county officials; repealing provision of an act relative to a sinking fund for a \$25,000 issue of Traverse City water bonds; amending charter of city of Alpena so as to provide for extension of water works system and to require a 20-day residence in each ward for voters; amending charter of city of Marquette; authorizing people to vote on proposition to bond the city of South Haven for \$50,000 for a new court house; authorizing increase of \$30,000 in the bonded indebtedness of school district No. 1 of the city of Marquette, the people interested to first vote on the proposition; authorizing city of Hastings to bond itself for \$8,000 to pay outstanding city bonds; creating office of assessor in city of East Tawas; new charter for the city of Flint.

Senator Kelly in the senate on the 12th called up his bill permitting 10 per cent of undersized fish to be sold. He made a little speech, but no one else talked, and the bill went to a vote. It was defeated by 16 yeas to 8 nays. 16 not being a majority. Kelly then had the vote reconsidered and the bill tabled. Half an hour later he called it up again, and then there was a long debate between him and Atwood. When this second vote was reached, Kelly moved a call of the senate, and this was done. This time the vote was 17 yeas to 11 nays, and Kelly was victorious.

Ex-Speaker Adams was invited to the house platform on the 12th, and among other things, he said: "If there is any curse resting on the people of Michigan it is too much legislation. It would be a wise legislature that would carefully go over our statutes and reduce the number of laws so that one volume would hold them all. I want to congratulate you, gentlemen, upon the pleasant, sweet, harmonious session you have so far held."

A rain and sleet storm, extending over the southern portion of the state on the 10th, caused much damage to telephone and electric street railway property. The loss is estimated at \$25,000, Detroit's share being \$15,000.

Nelson Morris, the Chicago packer, is planning the erection of a \$2,000,000 packing house at Honolulu, for the purpose of supplying the Hawaiian and other adjacent islands with fresh meat without being compelled to use the present system of refrigeration. The idea is to transport the live stock to Honolulu and then slaughter there. The 624 general assembly of Indiana, which closed its session on the 12th, among other laws enacted passed an anti-lynching law. Kidnapers who steal for ransom in that state now, can get 10 years, life imprisonment or death.

SHY ON RAW MATERIAL.

Sugar Beet Factories Could not Get Enough Last Season.

THE ENTERPRISE WILL PAY

If a Sufficient Amount of Beets Can be Raised to Enable the Proprietors to Operate Their Factories at Full Capacity—Other Items.

Sugar Beet Supply Insufficient. By statistics recently compiled by the census bureau on the manufacture of beet sugar in the U. S., but one of the 31 factories in the whole country obtained sufficient beets in the last census year and many were operated to but a small fraction of their capacity. The bureau report says further: In the census year more than one-third of the domestic sugar product was obtained from beet and it was a year of extremely unfavorable agricultural conditions in beet districts. The factories could readily manufacture more than two and one-half times the quantity of sugar produced if supplied with sufficient raw material. Notwithstanding the very adverse agricultural conditions which resulted in the small supply of raw material, the value of the product was larger than the expenditures. A number of factories earned fair returns on the investments, others paid expenses and several lost heavily. The statistics demonstrate that beet sugar manufacture is a commercial success in the U. S.

Old Employees Remembered. Two communications from Andrew Carnegie, which were officially made public on the 13th, tell of the steel king's retirement from active business life, and of his donation of \$5,000,000 for the endowment of a fund for superannuated and disabled employees of the Carnegie company. This benefaction is by far the largest of the many created by Mr. Carnegie, and is probably without a counterpart anywhere in the world. This fund will in no wise interfere with the continuance of the savings fund, established by the company 15 years ago for the benefit of its employees. In this latter fund nearly \$2,000,000 of the employees' savings are on deposit, upon which the company by contract pays 6 per cent and loans money to the workmen to build their own homes.

A Rain of Blood in Sicily. A strange phenomenon was witnessed at Palermo, Sicily, on the 10th. For over 12 hours a heavy red cloud extended over the city, the sky being a deep red. The rain that fell resembled drops of coagulated blood. This phenomenon, which is called "bloody rain," is attributed to dust from the African deserts, transported by the heavy south wind now blowing. The phenomenon seen in Sicily also extended over southern Italy. At Rome the sky was yellow, and at Naples a rain of sand fell, the heavens being dark red.

Many Killed by a Boiler Explosion. By the explosion of a boiler in the Doremus steam laundry in Chicago, shortly after 8 o'clock on the morning of the 11th, the entire building was wrecked. It is stated that about 30 girls and between 50 and 60 male employees were buried in the ruins, which immediately took fire. Twelve girls were dragged from the wreckage before the fire broke out. Two were badly hurt. Later—Eight dead, 42 injured and many missing is the latest report received of the horrible accident.

Rejects Canal Amendments. The answer of the British government to the amendments to the Hay-Pauncefote treaty made by the senate was received on the 11th by the British ambassador and communicated to the secretary of state at Washington. The contents of the document had not been made public, but it probably rejects the earnest wishes of the British government to have the Nicaraguan waterway international in character, instead of confined to the U. S.

CONGRESSIONAL NOTES. The senate on the 9th confirmed all the nominations pending in the senate and at 1:55 p. m. adjourned without day.

Many of the President's friends believe he will call an extra session of congress. He does not like the Philippine legislation, chiefly because of the Hoar amendment limiting the life of franchises to one year. The Cuban question bothers him. He does not want to pass on the Cuban constitution alone. In action taken affecting the colonies he wants congress to act with him.

NEWSY BREVITIES. A cloudburst occurred at Owensboro, Ky., on the 10th, and as a result the streets of the city were undermined. The Utah legislature has passed the Evans bill, and Mormons can now be brought to trial for polygamy by family relatives only. The Methodists report 123 converts in Manila for the week ending the 9th, and the Philippine Evangelical church claims to have secured many new members. The jury in the trial of Mrs. Carrie Nation, for smashing a "joint" at Wichita, Kas., several weeks ago, failed to reach a verdict, and were discharged on the 11th. The Brooklyn bridge authorities are contemplating the entire remodeling of the bridge in order to allow double capacity for elevated bridge trains. The cost, it is said, will be upwards of \$1,000,000.

HIS LIFE WORK IS DONE.

Ex-President Harrison Succumbs to La Grippe.

Gen. Benjamin Harrison died at his home in Indianapolis at 4:45 o'clock on the afternoon of the 13th without regaining consciousness. His death was quiet and painless, there being a gradual sinking until the end came, which was marked by a single gasp for breath as life departed from the body of the great statesman. Gen. Harrison had been in a semi-conscious condition for



THE LATE BENJAMIN HARRISON.

two days, and at no time was he able to recognize any of the anxious members of his household who were at his bedside during the last long hours. Immediately upon the receipt of the news of Gen. Harrison's death Gov. Durbin, of Indiana, ordered the flag on the state house to be put at half-mast and similar tokens of regard for the distinguished dead were shown at the federal building and at numerous private buildings. According to the funeral plans Gen. Harrison's remains will lie in state at the state capital on the 16th and the funeral will occur the day following.

Began Life on a Farm. Benjamin Harrison, grandson of the ninth president, lived the life of a farmer's boy at his home at North Bend, O. He lived in a little farmhouse, tumbled out of bed between 4 and 5 o'clock in the morning to do the "chores" and be raking hay or dropping corn or potatoes, by the time the sun was up. In summer he ran the usual risk to stone bruises and stubbed toes as the other boys of the district, and in winter tramped two miles to school and played "bull pen" with as much enthusiasm as the other boys.

He studied law, became colonel of a regiment in the civil war, won promotion in battle, and was defeated for governor of Indiana in 1876. In 1880, as chairman of the Indiana delegation to the Republican National convention, he cast the entire vote of the state for James A. Garfield for president. President Garfield offered him a place in his cabinet, but he declined.

Elected President. In 1888, when the national convention was held in Chicago, he was nominated for the presidency, and elected to that high office that year.

Views on Public Questions. Some of his comments on various government problems are as follows: Civil service reform: "I am an advocate of civil service reform. My brief experience at Washington has led me to utter the wish, with an emphasis I do not often use, that I might be forever relieved of any connection with the distribution of public patronage. It is easy for theorists to make suggestions on this subject, which in their opinion would cure I existing evils. I assure them it is sore difficult to frame a law that shall be safe and practical in its application."

The navy: "I am in favor of putting upon the sea enough American ships, armed with the most approved ordnance, to enforce the just rights of our people against any foreign aggressor. It is a good thing in the interests of peace and commerce to show the flag of our navy in the ports where the flag of commerce is unfurled."

CUBA AND PHILIPPINE NEWS.

Gen. Whitside returned to Santiago from Havana, where he went to confer with Gov-Gen. Wood regarding civil matters. He secured large appropriations for public works and will push the construction of sewers, waterworks, pavements and school houses vigorously.

The Philippine commission has amended the harbor bill by appropriating an additional \$1,000,000 immediately, subject to the approval of the governor-general. The amount is to be used for the extension of the breakwater and the dredging of the inner harbor at Manila to a depth of 30 feet, which will admit of the deepest ships coming right up to the bulkheads.

The authorities at Washington have assigned the control of the great ice plant, the construction of which has been hindered for various reasons for the last two years, to the insular government. In order to save cold storage capacity the army will be furnished with ice under contract with the insular government. Employees will be furnished with ice at approximately cost prices.

The trial of the nine natives charged with having murdered Quisumbing, president of Calamba, because he was friendly to the Americans, discloses how the insurgents terrorized the natives even in territory occupied by the Americans. Members of the secret society, known as Mandocnats, systematically abducted and killed Filipinos favoring American rule. In two months the Calamba Mandocnats killed 40 natives. The victims are usually buried alive.

More than 20,000 Ilocanos took the oath of allegiance to the U. S. during the week ending March 9.

TALMAGE'S SERMON.

PRINTER'S INK THE SUBJECT LAST SUNDAY.

Good Influence of Newspapers and Books—The Public Conscience Is Easily Awakened—Letter-Writing a Good Habit for the Young.

(Copyright, 1901, by Louis Klopsch, N. Y.) Washington, March 17.—In a new way and from a peculiar text Dr. Talmage discourses of good influences, brought to bear for the world's improvement. The text is Ezekiel ix, 2, "And one man among them was clothed with linen, with a writer's inkhorn by his side."

The poem from which my text is taken is epic, lyric, dramatic, weird and overpowering. It is more than Homeric or Dantesque. No one ever had such divine dreams as Ezekiel. In a vision this prophet had seen wrathful angels, destroying angels, each with a sword, but in my text he sees a merciful angel with an inkhorn. The receptacle for the ink in olden time was made out of the horn of a cow or a ram or a roebuck, as now it is made out of metal or glass, and therefore was called the inkhorn, as now we say inkstand. We have all spoken of the power of the sword, of the power of wealth, of the power of office, of the power of social influence, but today I speak of the power for good or evil in the inkstand. It is upon your tables, holding a black or blue or red liquid. It is a fortress, an armory, a gateway, a ransom or a demolition. "You mistake," says some one; "it is the pen that has the power." No, my friend. What is the influence of a dry pen? Pass it up and down a sheet of paper, and it leaves no mark. It expresses no opinion. It gives no warning. It spreads no intelligence. It is the liquid which the pen dips out of the inkstand that does the work. Here and there a celebrated pen, with which a Declaration of Independence or a Magna Charta or a treaty was signed has been kept in literary museum or national archives, but for the most part the pens, whether, as of old, made out of reed or later of wood of bird or still later of metallic substance, have disappeared, while the liquid which the pens took from the inkstand remains in scrolls which, if put together, would be large enough to enwrap the round world. For practical, for moral, for religious, for eternal purposes, I speak of the mission of "the writer's inkhorn."

Writing to Old Folks at Home.

O ye who have with recent years set up homes of your own, out of the new home inkstand write often to the old folks, if they be still living! A letter means more to them than to us, who are amid the activities of life and to whom postal correspondence is more than we can manage. They await the coming of the letter. Undertake no great thing in life without their advice. Old people for counsel; young people for action. Even though through decadence they may be incompetent to give valuable opinions on important affairs, compliment them by asking their counsel. It will do them good. It will make their last days exhilarant. Make that home inkstand a source of rejuvenescence to those who are near the terminus of the earthly journey. Domestic correspondence is not attended to at once. The newspaper, joining with the telegraph, bears the tidings of all the neighborhood, but the swiftest revolving wheel of modern printing press and quickest flash along the electric wires can never do the sympathetic work of the home inkstand. As the merciful angel of my text appeared before the brazen altar with the inkhorn at his side in Ezekiel's vision, so let the angel of filial kindness appear at the altars of the old homestead.

The Author's Responsibilities.

Furthermore, the inkstand of the business man has its mission. Between now and the hour of your demise, O commercial man, O professional man, there will not be a day when you can not dip from the inkhorn a message that will influence temporal and eternal destiny. There is a rash young man running into wild speculation, and with as much ink as you can put on the pen at one time you may save him from the Niagara rapids of a ruined life. On the next street there is a young man started in business who, through lack of patronage or mistake in purchase of goods or want of adaptation, is on the brink of collapse. One line of ink from your pen will save him from being an underling all his life and start him on a career that will win him a fortune which will enable him to become an endower of libraries, an opener of art galleries and builder of churches.

Furthermore, great are the responsibilities of the author's inkhorn. All the people, or nearly all the people, read, and that which they read decides their morals or immorals, their prosperity or failure, their faith or their unbelief, their purity or corruption, their heaven or hell. Show me any man's library, great or small, and after examining the books, finding those with leaves uncut, but displayed for sake of the binding, and those worn with frequent perusal, and without ever seeing the man or knowing his name, I will tell you his likes and his dislikes; his morals, good or bad or indifferent; his qualifications for business or artistic or professional or mechanical life. The best index to any man's character is the book he prefers above all others. Oh, the power of a book for good or evil!

The Influence of Books.

Through books we sit down and talk with the mightiest spirits of all the ages. We accompany Tenyson on his spring-time walk as he falls upon his

knees in the meadows, crying to his companion: "Violets, man, violets! Smell them!" Or we ride with Trajan in his triumphal march, or stand with Godfrey at the taking of Jerusalem, or with arctic explorer hear the crash of the icebergs, or are received with Hernando Cortes in the halls of Montezuma, or watch in the observatory as Herschel with his telescope captures another star, or the ink in the inkhorn turns red as blood, and we are at Marengo and Arbelia, and Eylau and Borodino and Leipzig; or we sail with Hamilcar from Carthage to Palermo, or we see Galilei fighting for the solar system, and around us gather for conversation Aristotle and Plato and Robert South and Sydney Smith and Locke and Samuel Rogers and Chaucer and Paul Richter and Swift and Hazlitt and Leigh Hunt and Talleyrand and Burke and Edward Irving, while, to make music for us, Handel and Mozart and Mendelssohn come in, and we watch Columbus landing, and see John Harvard's legacy of £900 paid over to the founding of Harvard university, and Joshua Reynolds and David Wilkie and Rembrandt tell us of their pictures. Oh, the books! Thank God for the books, and thank be to all the authors! May the inkhorn ever be under divine inspiration!

When a bad book is printed you do well to blame the publisher, but most of all blame the author. The malaria rose from his inkstand. The poison that caused the moral or spiritual death dropped in the fluid from the tip of his pen. The manufacturer of that ink could tell you that it is made of tannin and iron and nutgalls and green vitriol, but many an author has dipped from his inkstand hypercriticism and malevolence and slander and salaciousness as from a fountain of death. But blessed be God for the author's inkstand in 10,000 studies which are dedicated to pure intelligence, highest inspiration and grandest purpose. They are the inkstands out of which will be dipped the redemption of the world. The destroying angels with their swords seen in Ezekiel's vision will be finally overcome by the merciful angel with the writer's inkhorn.

Newspaper Impressions.

A wrong theory is abroad that the newspaper impression is ephemeral. Because we read and cast it aside in an hour and never see it again we are not to judge that we are parted from its influence. No volume of 500 pages makes such impression upon the people as the daily newspaper. It is not what we put away carefully upon the shelf and once in a while refer to that has as close relation to our welfare as the story of what the world is now doing or has recently done. Yesterday was more to do with today than something occurring a century previous. The engineers who now guide the rail trains, the captains who now command the ships, the architects who now design the buildings, the batons that now control the orchestras, the legislators who now make the laws, the generals who now march the hosts, the rulers who now govern the nations, the inkhorns that now flood the world with intelligence—these are what we have most to do with.

You have all seen what is called indelible ink, which is a weak solution of silver nitrate, and that ink you can not rub out or wash out. Put it there, and it stays. Well, the liquid of the editorial and reportorial inkstands is an indelible ink. It puts upon the souls of the passing generations characters of light or darkness that time cannot wash out and eternity cannot efface. Forever indelible. Be careful how you use it. The impression made with it will be resplendent or repulsive on the day for which all other days were made.

But how shall I speak of the inkhorn of the world's evangelization? Oh, how many loving and brilliant and glorious pens have been dipped into it! Thomas a Kempis dipped into it and brought up his "Imitation of Christ." Horace Bushnell dipped into it and brought up "Every Man's Life a Plan of God." Thomas Binney dipped into it and brought up his "Weigh House Chapel Discourses." Conybeare dipped into it and brought up the "Life and Epistles of Paul." Archbishop Trench dipped into it and brought up the "Epistles to the Seven Churches." Stuart Robinson dipped into it and brought up "Discourses of Redemption." Austin Phelps dipped into it and brought up "The Still Hour." Mark Hopkins dipped into it and brought up "Evidence of Christianity." Thomas Guthrie dipped into it and brought up "The Gospel in Ezekiel." John Cumming dipped into it and brought up "The Apocalypse." Oh, the influence of Christian literature! Oh, the mighty streams of evangelistic power that have poured from the writer's inkhorn that appeared in Ezekiel's vision!

The Mothers' Letters.

While you recognize the distinguished ones who have dipped into the inkstand of the world's evangelization do not forget that there are hundreds of thousands of unknown men and women who are engaged in inconspicuous ways doing the same thing! How many anxious mothers writing to the boys in town! How many sisters writing encouragement to brothers far away! How many invalids bolstered up in bed, the inkhorn on the stand at their side, writing letters of condolence to those worse off than themselves! They are flying all the time kind words, gospel words, helpful words, saving words. Call the evangelistic inkhorn into service in the early morning, when you feel well and you are grateful for the protection during your sleeping hours, and write before you retire at close of day to those who all night long will be saying, "Would to God it were morning!" How many bruised and disappointed and wronged souls of earth would be glad to get a

letter from you! Stir up that consolatory inkhorn.

The Inkhorn of God's Mercy.

The other angels spoken of in my text were destroying angels, and each had what the Bible calls a "slaughter weapon" in his hand. It was a lance or a battleax or a sword. God hasten the time when the last lance shall be shattered and the last battleax dulled and the last sword sheathed, never again to leave the scabbard, and the angel of the text, who, Matthew Henry says, was the Lord Jesus Christ, shall, from the full inkhorn of his mercy, give a saving call to all nations. That day may be far off, but it is helpful to think of its coming. As Dr. Raleigh declared, that when 50 miles at sea off the coast of New England the cattle on board the ship, as well as himself, scented the clover on the New England hills, so we, amid all the tossing waves of the world's controversies, inhale the redolence of the white lilies of universal peace. Is it not time that the boasted invention of new and more explosive and more widely devastating weapons of death be stopped forever, and the gospel have a chance and the question be not asked, How many shots can be fired in a minute? but, How many souls may be ransomed in a day? The world needs less powder and more grace, fewer fortresses and more churches, less power to destroy and more power to save. Oh, I am sick of the war cries and the extinguished eye-sight and the splintered homes and the grave trenches and the widowhood and orphanage and childlessness which sob and groan and die in the wake of the armies on both sides of the sea! Oh, for less of the slaughter weapon and more of the evangelizing inkhorn! Oh, for the stopping of the science of assassination, that crime of crimes, that woe of woes, that horror of horrors, that hell of hells—war, which this moment stands reeking with blood and washing itself in tears and blaspheming the heavens and pushing off the edge of this life men who have as much right to live as you and I have, and blasting homes in which their dwells as much loveliness as in our own! Would that the merciful angel of my text take the last weapon of war and fling it off and fling it down with such force that it shall clang on the lowest round of the perdition where the first keen edge of human strife was sharpened! War! In the name of Almighty God and of all the homesteads it has destroyed and is now destroying, I hate it, I denounce it, I curse it!

Stocum's Spray.

England, it seems, has something to learn from America, even in the matter of boat building. Capt. Joshua Stocum, author of "Sailing Alone Around the World," has just received a letter from a stranger, bearing an East Indian stamp, and postmarked Berbera (Africa), London, and New York, in which his correspondent expresses a desire to possess a boat built on the lines of the famous sloop Spray. "I have an island in the Indian ocean," the Englishman writes, "separated by some 40 miles from the main group at which steamers call. Its produce has to be ferried twice a month to the steamer station. Often, in the monsoons, the seas run high, and a stout boat is necessary, as well as one that can sail well to windward, and do something in light airs. A boat like the Spray would just do, and would also be a great pleasure, for there are numbers of neighboring islands one would like to visit, and sometimes a run to Bombay, or Ceylon, or Mombasa, or Maritius, would be possible." Needless to say, the gallant captain lost no time in forwarding the Spray's specifications, in answer to this flattering request.

New Kind of Phonograph.

At the last meeting of the Berlin Polytechnic society an engineer named Leisner explained a new kind of phonograph for service at sea, writes a Berlin correspondent. By coupling together membranes, between each of which a microphone is fixed, he has succeeded in so strengthening the tone emitted by all sound that any noise can be heard for a distance of three sea miles. It is suggested that by means of this invention a commander at sea will be able to issue his orders to all the ships in his fleet, and that in the same manner ships will be able to communicate with each other in the densest fog. Of course, it would be equally useful on land, and railway accidents, it is thought, may be also greatly diminished, as warnings could be given at long distances apart.

Tennel's Successor.

Of Linley Sambourne, Sir John Tennel's successor on Punch, it is said that he is short and stout and would easily be taken for a prosperous gentleman farmer, whose only thought was crops and horses! He lives in a charming and artistic house in Kensington, one of whose features is a vast collection of photographs to be used in his works as a cartoonist. They are assorted, we are told, into scores of departments. Kings, queens, soldiers, sailors, judges, members of parliament, actors, actresses, celebrities, notoriety, animals—there are thousands of them in these drawers. There are also photographs of the uniforms of the armies and courts of all European countries.

From Judge to Constable.

Daniel R. Magruder, former judge of the Maryland Court of Appeals, is a constable at Annapolis. To the protest of the citizens that constables had not been appointed the board in charge of the matter replied that men could not be found to accept the office. When Judge Magruder stated that plenty of good men could be found it was suggested in banter that the judge should accept, and he did.

BIG AFRICAN LAKES.

TRAVELER'S SOLUTION OF THE TANGANYIKA MYSTERY.

Fauna of the Big Lakes Found to Be Wholly Lacustrine—Volcanoes Dam Up a Stream and Turn the Water the Other Way.

The mystery that has always surrounded the great lakes of Central Africa is largely solved in the new number of the Geographical Journal by Mr. J. E. S. Moore. His explorations have linked together much information previously rather fragmentary. Tanganyika was discovered by Burton and Speke in 1857, and the latter brought to England a few shells picked up on its shore which found their way to the British museum. Some of them puzzled the experts, for, though taken from a fresh water lake very far inland, they strongly resembled genera which inhabit the sea. They had also a curiously old world aspect, as if they were lineal descendants of shells which lived about the time when the limestones called oolites were formed, or considerably before our chalk was deposited. But the little known about Africa had led geologists to suppose that, at any rate, the central and southern parts had been above the sea far longer than this. In course of time, however, more discoveries were made in Tanganyika, including shells of similar types, peculiar fishes, crabs, prawns, sponges, and even a jelly fish—in fact, a number of creatures, all suggesting that their ancestors had been marine. Then in 1897 Mr. Moore visited the lake and brought back collections which placed the matter beyond doubt. But the settlement of that question only raised another. In what way did Tanganyika communicate with the sea? Some ten years ago Prof. Suess, of Vienna, by piecing together the information gathered by travelers in the more central parts of Africa, came to the conclusion that the continent on its eastern side was traversed by a remarkable group of rifts, which had resulted in the formation of valleys. In these lay the longer and narrower of the African lakes. He traced the "rift system" from Syria, along the valley of the Jordan, down the Red sea, southward into Africa. Near Lake Rudolf it divides the two branches opening out to inclose a broad tract of highlands in the middle of which is the wide Victoria Nyanza. The western arm passes through the Albert lake, Kivu and Tanganyika, turning eastward from the south end of the last to the head of Nyassa. Here it is very probably joined by the eastern branch, which can be traced for a long way, passing to the west of Kenya and Kilimanjaro. These great rifts would seem to be the natural lines of connection with the ancient ocean, and, if so, that could be tracked by seeing which of the lakes contained the strange creatures of Tanganyika. So a second expedition was organized, headed by Mr. Moore to examine the whole chain of lakes along the western "Rift Valley," from Nyassa to the Albert Nyanza. His former expedition had made it almost certain that Nyassa had never been in communication with the sea. Consequently, the way could not have been from the south. In Tanganyika he found still more evidence of an ancient marine fauna which had tenanted its waters at a time when the lake covered a much larger area. But neither in Kivu nor in the Albert Edward lake, nor in the Albert Nyanza could he discover any traces of these marine creatures. Their fauna, like that of Nyassa, was wholly lacustrine. More than that, Mr. Moore found that the river draining Kivu descends as a torrent through an upland region to the old head of Tanganyika and that the former lake is cut off from the Albert Edward by a huge mass of volcanoes some of which are still active. Strange as it may seem he gives good reasons for believing that Kivu had been formed by the outbreking of these volcanoes, which have dammed up a stream that formerly ran to the north 'till the water at last found an outlet in the opposite direction down to Tanganyika. Thus, strange as it may seem, the sea can only have lain to the west, over the present basin of the Congo.—London Standard.

A Pleasant Fad.

An attractive fashion among the smart men of New York is the sending of dainty hampers of fruit to their masculine friends on feast days and holidays. The wicker hampers are very pretty and are filled most attractively with luscious fruits which nestle amid the green leaves of soft smilax and other foliage. In addition to sending flowers to the friends who are going to cross the briny deep Dame Fashion dispatches fruit. The flowers fade, but the fruit will last until the journey ends, and even in sickness fruits can be eaten often when nothing else can. So the luscious product of Pomona is packed in dainty baskets and sent to convey sweet messages and kind wishes for bon voyage.

Memorial Church for Richmond.

It is proposed to erect a unique memorial church in Richmond, Va. In addition to memorial windows in honor of departed naval and military heroes, there will be a window in honor of Christian bankers, another for railroad men and a third for iron workers. These will be erected by contributions from representatives of the several classes which they will honor, and all who contribute will be provided with cards which will admit them when visiting the church to pews opposite the memorials in which they are interested.

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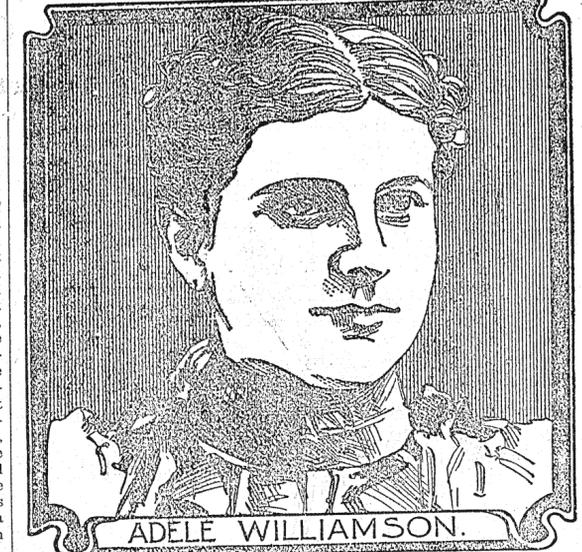
The first and worst of all frauds is to cheat one's self.

Baseball players; Golf players; all players when White's Yucatan whist playing.

When love calls Him Lord there is no sweeter word.

Nervous Prostration.

A Noted Boston Woman Describes its Symptoms and Terrors.—Two Severe Cases Cured by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.



ADELE WILLIAMSON.

"I am so nervous! no one ever suffered as I do! There isn't a well inch in my body. I honestly believe my lungs are diseased, my chest pains me so, but I have no cough. I am so weak at my stomach, and have indigestion terribly, and palpitation of the heart; am losing flesh; and this headache and backache nearly kills me, and yesterday I had hysterics.

"There is a weight in the lower part of my bowels, bearing down all the time, with pains in my groins and thighs—I can't sleep, walk, or sit, and blue—oh goodness! I am simply the most miserable of women."

This is a most vivid description of a woman suffering with nervous prostration, caused by inflammation or some other diseased condition of the womb.

No woman should allow herself to reach such a perfection of misery when there is no need of it. Read about Miss Williamson's case and how she was cured.

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MISS ADELE WILLIAMSON, 196 N. Boulevard, Atlanta, Ga.

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15 Flannel Waists, \$1.00, 1.25, 1.50, 2.00, your choice.....	\$1.00	12 Ladies Skirts, \$2.50.....	\$1.75
5 doz. Towels, regular price 15c	10c	1300 yards of Cotton, 6 cent for.....	5c
15 New Shirt Waist Patterns, \$1.00 per yd.....	85c	A line of Oxford Grey Suits, all wool, blouse waist, \$10.....	\$8.00
6 Ladies' Suits, \$6.50.....	\$5.00	10 Ladies' Sample Suits, \$10 to \$25 at a discount.	
Ladies' Black Skirts, \$1.75.....	\$1.25	Full line of Spring Jackets and Capes. Don't fail to see our new line of Black Dress Goods.	
Small lot of Plaid Skirts.....	\$1.00		

Grocery Dept. Specials

14 Bars Soap (Cuba).....	25c
9 Bars Lighthouse.....	25c
Best Tomatoes.....	9c
Sardines Te.....	5c
Good Salmon.....	10c
Grape Nuts.....	10c
Best Currants.....	11c
XXXX Coffee.....	11c
Best Tea Dust.....	23c
Broken Rice.....	4c
Corn Meal.....	6c
Granulated Sugar.....	5 1/2c
Light Brown Sugar.....	5 1/2c

Clothing and Gents' Furnishing Goods

New hats for spring.
50 Hats, \$1.50, for 75c

See our new and stylish Ties. Suits made to order of finest fabrics. New spring styles of Shoes now coming in. A job lot of Shoes to close at half price. We have the best make of Overalls and Working Pants in the world.

Locals

Spring is here, but O, how cold. The robins and bluebirds are here. Dick Landon Sundayed in Sebewaing.

Mrs. C. W. Heller is numbered with the sick.

John Edwards of Ubyly was a caller in town Tuesday.

George Perkins visited his son Lon at Bad Axe Friday.

Wm. Palmer of Yale was a business caller here Monday.

Mrs. E. F. Marr entertained a few friends at whist Friday.

Mrs. Carrie Edwards visited with relatives in Ubyly Monday.

Chas. Schenck of Saginaw spent Sunday at his home here.

Clark McKenzie made a business trip to Detroit last Friday.

A baby boy arrived at the home of J. W. Eno and wife Sunday.

Mr. Burke and wife of Caro were guests of friends here Sunday.

Miss Minto Kitchen entertained company from Iowa last week.

Noah Twoshat and wife visited at their home in Colwood Sunday.

Trumps made a raid on Jessie Crosby's "bread and jam" Tuesday.

Minta Traver is now employed at Mrs. F. C. Lee's millinery shop.

Wm. Stevens and Jas. Clark of Elkton called on friends here Tuesday.

Pearl Lee is now employed at the implement store of Traver & Gould.

Mrs. S. Y. Kinyon of Ellington is the guest of Mrs. H. S. Wickware this week.

The literary club will meet with Mrs. Dr. Wickware Saturday afternoon.

Sam'l Striffler and daughter Lillie of Argyle were in town on business Tuesday.

Blake Gillies and Minnie Deming attended the contest at Caro Friday evening.

Ethel Anderson, Etta Schenck and Mark Wickware were Caro visitors on Saturday.

Colon Monroe and Clark McKenzie attended the Concert at Caro Saturday night.

Thirty-eight from Cass City attended the oratorical contest at Caro last Friday night.

G. A. Yakes, who has been clerking for 2 Macks, is visiting at his home in Deckerville.

The Pantheona Club were entertained at Walter Saigeon's Wednesday evening.

Miss Mary Janks of Caro is visiting at the home of her brother, W. C. Janks, this week.

Miss Ada Mickle of Moosejan, Canada, is visiting her parents south of town this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Seeley of Caro spent Sunday in town as the guests of I. B. Auten and wife.

Fred Wallace writes to his father, Wm. Wallace, Sr., that he is now in the Philippine Islands.

Will Foe, living east of town, was called to Dryden the later part of last week, to bury his mother.

Miss H. S. Gamble of Sebewaing visited relatives and friends in town the fore part of the week.

Mrs. Hatton, who has been a rheumatic sufferer for some time, went to Detroit Monday for treatment.

Rev. E. L. Buchanan arrived Tuesday and is holding evangelistic meetings at the Presbyterian church.

Word was received here Tuesday that John Graham had left the Philippine Islands for the United States.

Harry Weydemeyer, who is working for the Anketell Lumber Co. at Crosswell, called on friends here Sunday.

Howard Lauderbach and family, who have been visiting in Akron for the past two months, return home Monday.

The new goods for Geo. Matzen's dry goods store have arrived and it keeps George and his clerks busy emptying boxes.

Jane McKenzie, who has been taking a business course at the Ferris Industrial in Big Rapids, completed her studies and returned home last Thursday.

Geo. R. Malone of Lansing, the temperance speaker was entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Macomber during his stay in town.

Farley Crow, one of the oldest pioneers of Tuscola county, died March 13 at Caro, where he has resided for over a quarter of a century. He had reached the advanced age of 77 years.

The Caro & Lake Huron Railroad Co. will be completed in time to haul beets to the Peninsular Sugar factory at Caro. This line will be run as far as Owendale this fall.

Miss Margaret Campbell entertained friends at a character party Saturday night in honor of her guest, Miss Joy. Carrie Nation and her hatched was an interesting character.

Some farmers are anxiously waiting for sugar weather.

Mr. Sargent of Pt. Huron is in town this week buying horses.

Mrs. Chas. Striffler entertained friends at tea Tuesday.

Colon Monroe is clerking in Matzen's new dry goods store.

T. H. Hunt was in Detroit Thursday and Friday on business.

Miss Alice Joy, who has been the guest of friends during the past week, returned to Ann Arbor Monday.

Wm. Straube carries a badly smashed finger resulting from a "mix-up" with the engine at the power house.

Miss Dell Martin returned from Detroit Monday, where she has been engaged in millinery work for several weeks.

Mrs. Or Y. Schneider and children left for Grand Rapids on Thursday to visit with her parents for a few weeks.

O. K. Janes is now a life insurance agent. He is working for the Massachusetts Mutual Insurance Co., of Springfield, Mass.

The Social Workers will serve warm maple sugar in W. A. Fairweather's store Wednesday evening, March 27, from 7:30 to 8:30. Everybody come.

Misses Elliott, Woodruff and Nellis will spend their spring vacation, beginning March 25, at their homes in Grand Rapids, Ypsilanti and Mason.

Stanley McKenzie has secured a position with the Triumph Information Co., of Dallas, Texas. He will travel through the greater part of Michigan.

M. H. Quick of Novesta, who has been taking treatment at Harper's Hospital in Detroit, arrived home on Tuesday of last week much improved in health.

The Regular Teachers' Examination for all grades of certificates will be held at Caro, on Thursday, Friday and Saturday of next week, March 28, 29 and 30th.

Mrs. A. J. Knapp's Sunday school class fendered her a reception at the residence of Mrs. O. K. Janes Tuesday evening. She was presented with a small silver vase.

The annual flood came last Sunday. Oak street, north of Main street, had a Venetian appearance. Our village authorities ought to do something to rid the town of this annual nuisance.

It is rumored that Pastor Rushbrook is about to sever his connection with the local Baptist church. He has urgent calls from the Baptist churches at Port Huron and St. Louis.

Miss Isabelle A. Arthur has resigned her position as teacher in the Vassar school to take effect at the close of this school year. Her sister, Miss Ethel, who is now teaching in Mason, has been offered the position.

The following letters remain unclaimed at the P. O. at Cass City for the week ending, March 16: Mrs. E. H. Gilmer, David Burgland, Mrs. Charlie Seloff. When calling for the above please mention advertised.

Rev. O. Y. Schneider, who has been disabled by a strained wrist for the past two weeks, has returned to his work at Verona and does not expect to return home until after conference which convenes at Detroit the first week in April.

It will be to the advantage of our readers to take notice of the new ads of Fairweather Bros., 2 Macks, Fritz, Bond and the Cass City Lumber &

Our spring lines of Shoes have begun to arrive and we are going to

Push the Shoe Business

harder than ever. So come and ask for our

GUARANTEED SHOES

LAING & JANES

Cass City Meat Market

We are buying Poultry every day.

Bring in what you have to sell. Prices are high.

All kinds of Fresh Fish

Salt Fish, Herring and Smoked Fish, Salmon, Trout, and Finnen Haddie. In fresh meats—Pork, Beef, Choice Cuts, Veal, Lamb and Mutton at right prices. In Sausages we have Pressed Ham, Pressed Beef, Liver Sausage, Head Cheese, Bologna. Remember our Pork Sausage is the best. Orders promptly attended to and delivered in town.

W. C. Janks



Ladies Tailoring

We have now on display a large and choice collection of fabrics and fashion plates illustrating the latest spring and summer styles and we take pleasure in submitting them for your inspection. We can quote you prices on perfect-fitting, custom-tailored Suits, Skirts, Jackets and Capes that will agreeably surprise you. Our line meets the demand of any purse or any taste, and you are invited to call and look it over.

HARRISON, The Tailor

Hear ye! Hear ye!
The good points of the new

Steel Range

Handsome in appearance, first class in quality, large in size, way up in weight, No. 9, 6 holes. Will burn either coal or wood. And last but not least, the price is the lowest ever quoted on goods of this quality.

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Select a package from my table of

Cereal Breakfast Foods

and wear a pleasant countenance for the balance of the day. At

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Fairweather Bros. GREAT SLAUGHTER IN WINTER GOODS STILL CONTINUES

With greater bargains than ever for this week. We offer:

Men's 50c Gloves and Mitts.....	35c
Men's 25c Gloves and Mitts.....	17c
50c Fascinators.....	35c
25c Fascinators.....	17c
Ladies' Tressed Wrappers, \$1.00, now.....	69c
75c Grey Blankets per pair.....	50c
\$2.00 Rubber lined Coats.....	\$1.25
\$1.25 Heavy Duck Coats.....	75c
Boys' Duck Coats, 75c now.....	50c
Home made Socks.....	35c
Home made Mitts.....	25c
A lot of 10c light colors in Fancy Outings.....	7 1/2c
97 pair Child's Golf Gloves, 25 a pair now.....	10c

We must reduce our stock of GROCERIES

In order to do so we will make a few special prices.	
Lenox Soap, 9 bars for.....	25c
Light House Soap, 9 bars for.....	25c
Calumet Soap, 12 bars for.....	25c
Bee Hive Soap, 15 bars for.....	25c

A good 10c Corn, two cans for.....	15c
A good 12c Salmon, one can for.....	10c
Sardines worth 8c a box for.....	5c
One pint bottle of Preserves.....	10c
One bottle Lyon's Horse Radish.....	10c
One bottle Catsup.....	5c
Cremola Breakfast Food, per package.....	12c
Pillsbury Vitos, per package.....	12c
Grape Nuts, per package.....	12c
9 lb. sack of Rolled Oats.....	25c
Maple Syrup, per quart, 25c; per gallon.....	85c
2 lb. Wright Candisa Powders for.....	25c
Best Currants, two pounds for.....	25c
Raisens per pound.....	8c
Good Prunes, 7 lbs. for.....	25c
Broken Rice, 6 lbs. for.....	25c
Coffee, screenings per pound.....	5c
XXXX Coffee per pound.....	12c
Best Tea, fannings per pound.....	25c
Whole Cod Fish per pound.....	5c
White Fish and Trout per pound.....	8c
Labador Herring per pound.....	4c
Salt Water Herring per pound.....	4c
Oranges and Lemons from.....	1c to 5c each

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Mrs. G. W. Goff