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A TERRIBLE TRAGEDY ON FRIDAY NIGHT

(Continued from first page.)

went with him into the pantry to find it. They were not long in finding the mustard which he mixed with some water and she drank it. He then made a fire, heated some water and made some more which she also drank. He also tried to get some down the children but was not very successful. It then occurred to him that he should call for help. He stepped out doors and called for Sam Randall, but receiving no reply he started for John Copeland. He told him what had happened and asked him to go after a doctor which he did. Mr. Townsend returned home and found his wife and children as he left them. She was still conscious and he urged her to take more mustard tea. He also asked her why she had taken the poison and her answer was that she did not know. Soon after Dr. Wickware made his appearance and what transpired up to the time of the death of Mrs. Townsend and her children has been stated above.

During the inquest an empty morphine bottle, a bottle of sage tea and a bottle of cough syrup were introduced as evidence. Mr. Townsend said he first noticed the morphine bottle on Sunday morning. It was found in the pantry. He could not tell how it got there. The sage tea had been in the house for several weeks. The cough syrup, according to Mr. Townsend's statement contained laudanum, camphor, opiac and licorice. He said he got the recipe from Mr. Messner and only a short time ago purchased the necessary ingredients at Bond's Drug Store. He also stated that his wife mixed the drugs and was given to the children when they had a cold.

After the testimonies of Mr. Townsend and Dr. Wickware was taken, the jury adjourned to a room upstairs and after due deliberation the jury reached the verdict that Mrs. Nathan Townsend came to her death by her own hands using either laudanum or morphine and the children came to their death by their mother's hands administering the same drug. In regard to the relations which existed in the Townsend home during recent years, it appears that Mrs. Townsend was of a cheerful temperment, and aside from occasional family troubles which were caused by Mr. Townsend's drinking habit, nothing of an unusual character occurred between them. Mr. Townsend stated that his wife felt grieved because he had sold their farm and ever since they have lived in their present home she had appeared at times despondent. It seems they had some misunderstanding the fore part of last week on account of his refusal to take her and the children to an entertainment at the Bethel church. On Friday Mrs. Townsend was at Mr. Hensey's and appeared very cheerful. When leaving, she invited them to take dinner at her house the following Sunday. Whether she was planning all this time to commit the horrible deed is a mystery. There are some features of the case which are not explained and probably never will be.

Mrs. Townsend was, as already stated, of a happy disposition. She was a bright, educated lady and was well thought of by her neighbors. She was a kind mother and the only reason why she should take the lives of her children may be found in the fact that she was fully determined to end her own life and did not want to leave her children exposed to the dangers of this sinful world. If thoughts like these actuated her to commit the crime, she certainly succeeded well. They are now out of reach of all harm and danger. It is only about eleven years since Nathan Townsend and his deceased wife were made one in holy wedlock.

Mrs. Townsend comes from a respected family. The father and mother are now aged people living near Dryden. The mother, with a brother and sister, came here after receiving the sad intelligence of the daughter's death. The mother is nearly heart broken over the calamity. While the Chronicle reporter was talking with her she broke forth with deep anguish of soul and exclaimed: "It is awful to think that Emma should do such a thing."

The greatest sufferer of all is Mr. Townsend. "I have lost all," is the sad wailing that comes from his lips. There is a tendency in the community to judge him harshly. It may be that he deserves it. Certainly if his drinking habits have been the cause of driving his life companion into a state of despondency so that living became an unbearable burden to her. He more than anyone else must feel the awfulness of the crime committed by the mother of his children while laboring under the pressure of an over-burdened life. Mr. Townsend has our sympathy. We hope that there is a silver lining on the dark cloud that is now overhanging his blighted life.

The funeral which was held last Tuesday was a very sad event. Undertaker McKenzie had provided three hearses and each corpse was at-

tended by a body of pallbearers. Mr. McKenzie proved himself equal to the occasion, and conducted the funeral with rare tact and wisdom.

Many people, out of curiosity, lined Main Street as the procession entered town and passed down Seegar Street to the Presbyterian church, where Rev. Torbet, assisted by Rev. E. L. Buchanan, conducted the service. The church was filled with people and while they were assembling the choir sang "Blest Rock of Ages." After all were seated the choir again sang "Jesus is Calling Today," and Rev. Torbet read Psa. 91 and 51, after which Rev. E. L. Buchanan offered prayer. The choir then sang "Jesus Lover of My Soul." Rev. Torbet in opening his address which was void of all sensational features gave a short review of the lives of the deceased as follows:

Emma Swick, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Erastus Swick of Dryden was born near Dryden, Mich., in 1868. She was married to Nathan Townsend on July 4th, 1889. The next year they came to this neighborhood where they have since resided.

Vida Beatrice Townsend was born Jan. 27, 1890, and Payne Darwin Townsend was born May 9, 1891. They all closed their earthly lives March 23, 1901.

Rev. Torbet then read Thomas Hood's poem entitled "The Bridge of Sighs," part of which is as follows:

"One more unfortunate,
Weary of breath,
Rashly importunate,
Gone to her death."

Owning her weakness
Her evil behavior
And leaving, with meekness,
Her sins to her Savior."

The text chosen was Deut. 5:29, "O that there were such an heart in them that they would fear me, and keep all my commandments always, that it might be well with them and with their children forever." The following is a sketch of the sermon delivered:

"Amid the awfully impressive scenes of Sinai the holy law of God was approved by the intelligence of the people as just and good, and temporarily they had good impulses and made good resolutions, but this is not the whole of good religion. God asks for true and good hearts which will surely lead to constant obedience of his righteous law. The parental heart of God yearns for our blessedness. A proper reverence for God and his law is the only adequate motive to right living. We should be intelligent enough to love His good law, and we should be both ashamed and afraid to transgress it.

Disaster is inevitable and certain along the road of disobedience, and the only path of peace and well-being is the narrow way of holy living. All the elevating and inspiring truths of the Scriptures should be diligently taught to the children in the home, honored in the social circle, and by all constantly held up as guides to the path of peace. If all would obey God's plain commandments no crimes would ever be committed and most of life's woes would be escaped, and earth would be almost a paradise and we would be sure of the paradise above. We must be born of the Spirit of God into a true life of fellowship with our Father, and thus only can we have true hearts, sincere obedience and perpetual happiness."

After the close of the service the bodies were laid to rest in Elkland cemetery. Thus the curtain dropped over the most appalling scene ever witnessed in our quiet and peaceful community.

NOTICE TO CHRONICLE READERS.

We have moved our plant and installed a new newspaper press during the past week, hence we are somewhat late in going to press. Next week the CHRONICLE will appear as an illustrated edition which will show Cass City as a progressive town. Anyone desiring extra copies will do well to leave their orders at once. The second week in April the CHRONICLE will be enlarged to a seven column paper, and we hope to make it the paper of the thumb. Remember we are now located in Dr. Demings building on Seegar street.

A PROPOSED LEAGUE.

Base ball interest over at Marlette has not been winter-killed judging from the evidences of activity at hand. The Gazette is in receipt of a communication from Banker Dan C. Merrill, of that town, an enthusiastic supporter and player of the game, stating that a meeting has already been held there in which the prospects for the coming season were discussed and a program for a four-team amateur league evolved which will include Marlette, North Branch, Imlay City, and Cass City.

The schedule drafted and submitted to the several towns represented provides for an aggregate of thirty-six games, and an itinerary covering a period of about four months, beginning May 15th and closing September 11th, in which each club will play a series of six games respectively with the others—three at home and three away.—North Branch Gazette.

ADDITIONAL LOCAL.

Saturday is registration day.

Be sure and vote the republican ticket next Monday.

J. D. Brooker was in Caro Tuesday, on business.

Herb Frutchey returned Saturday from a week's stay with his brother at Brown City.

Dick Landou was in Imlay City last week in the interest of Mr. Hardwick. This week he will work in Mayville.

Harry Young received the sad intelligence of the death of his mother on Monday evening. He left for the parental home at Tilsburg Ont. on Thursday morning.

At the Presbyterian church, evangelist E. L. Buchanan has been speaking to fairly good houses and he has spoken the truth with love and plainness. Sunday will be his last day with us.

Wm. A. Bailey of Ellington, who was judged insane last summer and several weeks ago released on parole, was again taken to Pontiac Wednesday by Sheriff Morris. Judge Brooker who is acting as guardian for the unfortunate man went to Ellington last Tuesday to look after his ward and for some reason Bailey became angry and assaulted Mr. Brooker, whereupon Dr. Morris was called and took him in charge as above stated.

An interesting program was given at the M. E. church Monday evening by the prohibitionists—the chief feature being a debate on, "Resolved, that no citizen of the U. S. should be deprived of the ballot on account of sex." Those speaking on the affirmative side were Kate Zinnecker, Lottie Usher and Will McCulley, and those on the negative side, Stanley Schenck and Herbert Karr, the third representative, John Morrison, being absent. A. D. Gillies, W. J. Campbell and Laura Klump acted as judges. Considering the absence of the third speaker on the negative side, they were given special favors, but the verdict of the judges gave the victory to the affirmative. Music was rendered by the choir and Blanche Hansler gave a pleasing recitation.

The Epworth League conference at Delaware, O., was of remarkable interest and will doubtless cause a new development of the League in the direction of Bible study and greater devotion to mission work, personal evangelism and systematic giving. Dr. Morgan presided at the hour given to the consideration of Bible study and read a paper outlining his thought as to the best possible course of study covering the Bible, which will be published in the proceedings of the meeting. This week he and Master Leslie are at Detroit for a day or two where he goes to further the program of the fine Bible conference at Lake Orion, July 12 to 24. Already Rev. G. Campbell Morgan, who comes from England to take up Mr. Moody's work in this country, Rev. J. Wilbur Chapman of New York, Dr. R. A. Torrey of Chicago, and others have been engaged.

HAS THE SMALLPOX.

David Law, manager of the Sioux City Seed Co., received the following letter this week from Fargo, North Dakota, which explains itself: Mr. David Law, Cass City, Mich.

Dear Sir: Your son, Iv Law, is here at the hospital with small pox. He has been sick for about a week, but it is only within the last day or so that the Doctor has been able to state positively what ailed him. He was quite sick for a couple of days, but is much better to-day and he will very likely be alright again in a short time. He was working here at the hospital for me at the time he was taken sick, and we are unable to account for his taking the disease as his is the first case around here. I will write you again in case he should not continue to improve or any change occur.

Yours truly,

I. A. Moore.

Iv Law was a soldier in the late Cuban war and during his service was stricken down with yellow fever. He returned home and after a much needed rest journeyed to Dakota where he took up a homestead. Only recently he went to Fargo to replenish his depleted purse, and while engaged as a nurse in the above named hospital, he was taken sick with the smallpox. His parents and friends hope for a speedy recovery.

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DAVID LAW.

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CARO

Many new residences will be built here this coming summer and work will be commenced again next week on the Montague Hotel.

The local option sentiment is spreading and becoming more fixed in the rural districts in this vicinity.

B. H. Cornell, treasurer of Fairgrove returned only 58c uncollected tax this year. This is the least amount ever returned from any town in the county.

Orlo Pattison has been nominated on the Republican ticket and Geo. H. Howell on the Union ticket for supervisor of Indianfields. It will be a warm contest.

The Pere Marquette R. R. Co. filed a mortgage in the register's office this week given to the Farmers Loan and Trust Company for \$1,000,000. It was the source of \$500 revenue to the government.

CUMBER

Mud! Mud!!

Mr. and Mrs. Washburn of Shabbona are visiting at S. Pratt's.

Geo. Shestel has returned to his home after an extended visit in West Branch.

Mr. Hays of Sanilac Centre has sold his farm to a Mr. Miller who is moving on the premises.

Our old and genial friend, Will Maxwell, leaves on Thursday for his home in Dakota. He will be sadly missed in this community.

On account of bad roads our school closed on Friday for a brief vacation. Charley Ward shipped the last of his household goods to Crosswell on Tuesday. The family will follow soon.

At a caucus held at the Town Hall in the township of Greenleaf the following ticket was nominated: supervisor, Andrew Wilson; clerk, Angus McLeod; treasurer, David Hutchison; highway com., John Wright; school inspector, John Duffell; justice, Alex McCormick; board of review 2 years, John Waldon; board of review 1 year, Gillis; constable, Norman McLeod, Albert Wright, Robert Byers.

The township ticket nominated at the township caucus held March 16, Novesta, is as follows: Supervisor, Nicholas Hamilton; Clerk, Alexander Livingston; treasurer, George McArthur; highway com., W. J. Crittenden; justice, Neil McLarty; board of review, L. L. Wheeler, Wm. Little; school inspector, John W. Mudge; constables, Geo. Pratt, Edwin Wethy; John Paul, Loren Churchill.

The spring election comes off next Monday. Don't forget. D. Kaercher the candidate for commissioner of schools is a gentleman and a scholar. You will make no mistake in giving him your vote.

Some good bargains may be had at Wettlaufer and Ratz Mfg. Co., as they are closing out their stock of farm implements, consisting of plows, harrows, cultivators, drills, buggies, wagons etc. at cost. On account of the increased demand for Pea Harvesters their whole attention will hereafter be devoted to manufacturing.

J. D. Brooker says that J. H. Striffler told him he heard G. A. Stevenson say that J. Schwaderer told him that J. F. Hendricks heard that there was no doubt that H. L. Hunt said that John Gordon thought that F. C. Lee believes and A. A. McKenzie recalls positively that M. Sheridan told J. C. Lauderbach that W. C. Janks had said in plain terms that he had heard H. B. Fairweather say that his friend T. H. Fritz had said that it was well known all over the country that J. Maier had caught N. Biglow saying that in his opinion it was a matter of fact and great public interest that H. S. Wickware had said that C. O. Lenzner told him C. W. Heller had said that P. S. Rice did say that J. W. Macomber intimated that J. D. Crosby's store was the best place to buy ready made clothing, boots, shoes, hats, caps, etc., of which he keeps a large stock.

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