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### "HIGH FINANCE" IN R. R. SUIT

D. U. R. After Road For Bay City-Detroit Line.

Pontiac, Mich., Nov. 9.—Special.—The Pontiac, Oxford & Northern railroad suit will be finished in the circuit court here the first of next week. If the complainant, Charles H. Stone, wins the road will be put up at auction and sold to the highest bidder. The Grand Trunk, Michigan Central and D. U. R. have all signified a willingness to buy the road. It is reported that if the D. U. R. could purchase it they would convert it into an electric line and extend their present service from Pontiac through to Bay City, via the present right-of-way of the P. O. & N.

The testimony, among other things, charges that Hugh Porter, the treasurer of the corporation and majority stockholder, placed a \$400,000 mortgage on the road and divided the money among the stockholders.

Judgment for \$162,000 was secured against Porter in New York courts several months ago. If Stone wins, this amount will be deducted from Porter's share of the stock.—Detroit Journal.

### AUCTION SALE.

J. D. Tuckey is advertising a big auction sale of farm stock and implements at his home one mile east and two miles north of Cass City, on Monday, Nov. 18, commencing at 10:00 a. m. A free lunch will be served at noon. Striffler and McKenzie are the auctioneers.

Fred J. LePla, four and one-half miles east of Cass City, on Friday, Nov. 22, at one o'clock. J. H. Striffler, auctioneer.

### \$4 FOR EACH CHILD.

The 45th semi-annual apportionment of primary school funds was made by the state Monday. There will be distributed in the next few weeks among the primary schools of the state \$2,988,364 at the rate of \$4 for each pupil. Of this amount Tuscola county receives \$42,312, Sanilac \$46,168 and Huron county \$49,356.

### MAKE A CHOICE.

"Choose you this day whom you will serve." (God or the devil.) Anyone wishing to join the Baptist Young People's Union, please see or speak to Orrin C. Deming, Chairman of membership committee.

### Poultry Wanted.

We will buy two carloads of poultry—one at Gagetown on Wednesday, Nov. 27, and one at Cass City, Thursday, Nov. 28. Will pay 7c for hens and chickens, 8 1/2c for ducks and geese, and 10c and 12c for turkeys. Harry Young.

### \$4,000 IN SUGAR BEET CHECKS

Payment for October Deliveries Has Been Received.

"In spite of the unfavorable weather conditions, the farmers who raised sugar beets in this vicinity are pretty well satisfied with the returns of their crop," said a representative of the Caro sugar factory Wednesday. "Sugar beet checks were received this week and farmers can get them cashed at Cass City when they are presented at the bank."

The checks are issued in payment for the beets delivered during the month of October and the amount of money put into circulation by this means will be in the neighborhood of \$4,000. The deliveries in October are light when compared with those which will be made this month and the amount of the October checks is correspondingly small.

The number of cars which have been loaded at Cass City for shipment to the Caro factory reached 50 Wednesday. About 20 more cars will be needed to handle the remainder of the crop here. At Gagetown 35 cars have been loaded, at Deford 28, at Wilmot 19 and at Kingston 15. The amount of sugar beets shipped from this point to the factory shows a marked increase over that of two years ago when the shipment was put into three cars.

J. D. Tuckey has the reputation of growing the largest crop in this vicinity this season. It will amount to 200 tons and he expects to finish loading them this week.

### ROBBED GUM MACHINES.

When L. I. Wood came down to his store Saturday morning, he noticed that the gum machine which has occupied a prominent place in front of the drug store had been torn from its fastenings and search for it that day failed to locate it. W. W. Bender and Spencer & Heineman also had machines in front of their business places and they discovered that they had also been relieved of their property during the same night.

A few days after the machine belonging to the latter firm was found in the sheds near the Presbyterian church and the one belonging to W. W. Bender was found under a horse block on Oak street. Both of these machines were minus the gum and the cash and were damaged, but it may be possible to repair them. The machine from Wood's store was found near the roller mills. Besides being robbed of the contents, both the pennies and the gum, this machine was so badly damaged that it can not be repaired.

The thieves have not been located, but if they are caught, they will probably receive all there is coming to them.

### SCHOOL NOTES.

High school enrollment is now 102. The fifth grade is writing Pilgrim stories.

Minnie Tallmadge visited the high room Wednesday.

If you wish to see what the sixth grade can do in the way of compositions read the Journal Junior.

New pupils this week—Agnes Pitcher, sixth grade; Gladys Snell, grammar room; Allan Ross, Leo Hopps and Leslie Collins, high school.

The English Literature class has finished "The Faere Queen" and are thoroughly prepared for their "Pilgrim's Progress" through life.

Normal Training class meets every Monday evening and manifests surprising interest in the abstraction of psychology and the ideal teacher, Jean Mitchell.

The Cass City high school foot ball team will play Marlette on the home grounds on Saturday afternoon, this week. Turn out, high school. Nothing pays interest like a little loyalty.

Com'r. Bush announces a meeting of the schoolboards of Tuscola county at Caro on Saturday of this week. Supt. L. L. Wright will be present. The meeting will be filled with business.

In the rhetoric class the other morning E. McK stated that old maids were of no interest to him, but we are all wondering what his opinion is of a certain dark-eyed maiden over in the Freshman class.

Funny Smartone in school innocently asked every member of the foot ball team where the history lesson for Monday was to be found. We admire his indefatigable industry and attention to business.

Homer Muntz and Joy Smith have returned to the first grade after a long absence, and Hazel Lauderbach, who discovered that there are substances harder than her elbow, returned to the sixth grade.

Why not have a high school union to pool our interest, our efforts and our money? We know of one live, wide-awake high school that raised \$400 plus, last year. It had no better chance, no more students. The secret, everybody boosted.

Bay View Reading club meets with Miss Auten next Wednesday evening. Program, Roll call and response by members upon Colonial Life and Customs; Historical Studies, Mrs. Mulholland; Magazine Studies, Mrs. Tiedgen; Social Life and Institutions in New England, Miss Wettlaufer.

The money panic of the country has finally struck our school, for as the Civics class was discussing the mint, R. M. asked Supt. T. for a dollar that he might find out the mint, and after searching through all his pockets he replied: "You should not ask me such questions."

### WHAT HOLDS THE OTHER END?

Interesting Tale From Sandusky is Told by H. C. Howey.

A rope hanging in mid air. One end several feet above the ground and the other end fastened to no one knows what, is the substance of an interesting tale which hails from Sandusky. The story was told to the Chronicle by H. C. Howey. We quote that gentleman as follows:

"My wife and I were favored with a visit from my wife's son-in-law, James McPherson, Saturday. During our conversation Mr. McPherson told us of a mysterious sight he witnessed a few miles from Sandusky last week.

"While at his home one mile from Sandusky, Mr. McPherson heard that a rope had been discovered hanging in mid air, one end of it being out of sight and fastened to an unknown object. Being interested in such a strange tale, he went to the place, a few miles from Sandusky, and found the rope in the position stated. One end was several feet above the earth and was swaying in the breeze. The other end was out of sight. Two ladders were brought to the place and after being placed together a man reached the 'air line' and to it fastened another rope which reached to the ground. One man pulled on the rope without results. Then another assisted him and after a time six men combined their strength in the effort to pull it down, but without success. The rope was an inch or an inch and a quarter in thickness and appeared to be knotted or tied together in several places.

"Where it came from no one can tell. The theory has been advanced that an air ship has been stranded in a dead current of air and the occupants have lowered the rope as a signal for help.

"No, Mr. McPherson assured us he was not joking but serious in the matter. He is not a drinking man and we haven't any reason to doubt his story.

### MEASLY APPLES.

Geo. H. Slocum, daddy of the Gleaner, says in the last issue of the Gleaner that it had been his desire that the Gleaner Clearing House Seal on a package with the shipper's certificate should be a sufficient guarantee that the contents of the package were just what they were represented to be.

"You can imagine my surprise" says Bro. Slocum, "when I saw with my own eyes three barrels of apples nicely headed with good, large, sound fruit, and down in the center of the barrel some measly, snarly fruit, which could not be given away at home. I want to say right here that the man who packed that fruit and shipped it is just as big a rogue as the fellow who plays the three-ball game in the back alley. Just think of it?"

"This particular shipper, in order to deceive the purchaser, no matter whom he might be, whether the wealthy man or the poor brother who toils incessantly for a bare living, places a half-bushel of nice apples on top, and the buyer, supposing he is honest, buys the apples, paying the price of such fruit as is shown. He takes the apples home and there finds that the farmer has stolen from him an amount equal to the difference between the value of the good fruit and the poor. Like the thief in the night, the shipper tried, under the cover of darkness, to steal from his fellow man a few paltry pennies, and for this meagre sum placed himself on par with other human vultures who are preying upon the necessities of others that they may profit thereby. For shame, for shame!"

Highest price paid for Poultry at city poultry yards on Wednesday and Saturday of each week. A. L. Johnson, corner of Garfield Ave. and Seeger St. 10-18

### CASS CITY ELEVEN WINS

Boys Play a Fast and Clean Game at Marlette.

The foot ball team of the high school played at Marlette Friday afternoon defeating the Marlette eleven by a score of 7 to 6. In the first half of the game, Cass City kicked to Marlette and after Marlette was held for downs, Cass City rushed the ball over for a touchdown, Lee carrying the ball for the local team.

Marlette's touchdown came in the second half. The ball was fumbled by Cass City and the Marlette full back caught the ball on the bound while running at full speed and could not be overtaken. Marlette kicked goal and the score at that time was 6 to 5 in Marlette's favor.

In the last few minutes of play, Marlette tried a forward pass from the 15 yard line and it failed, they being penalized 15 yards to their one yard line. Here they tried the forward pass again. Lee of the local team broke through the line and downed the quarter back in his tracks making a safety which gave Cass City the game. Final score 7 and 6.

The game was fast and clean. Marlette's full back was the star player of his team, and the playing of the local team was fast, barring the fumble mentioned.

The line-up in Friday's game was as follows:

Marlette.	Cass City.
Burke.....L. E.....	F. Striffler
Oakes.....L. T.....	Schenck
Doan.....L. G.....	H. Striffler
Frasier.....C.....	Edgerton
Keyes.....R. G.....	McGeorge
E. Oakes.....R. T.....	McCrea
McCrea.....R. E.....	Benkelman
Simenton.....Q. B.....	Schwarder
Collins.....R. H.....	Lee
Hunter.....L. H.....	Mead
Selbert.....F. B.....	Wickware

The members of the Cass City team had ample time to enjoy the scenery in and about Clifford on the return journey from Marlette. An engine off the track at Wilmot and a derailed box car below Clifford delayed trains several hours on the P. O. & N. and it was five o'clock Saturday morning before the team reached home.

Vassar and Marlette, having cancelled their dates, it is doubtful if any more games will be played this year, though efforts are being made to reach Harbor Beach.

### IT WENT.

The following curious "excuses," it is said, were actually given to the teachers of pupils of an east side public school in New York:

"Frank could not come for 3 wks because he had amonia & information of the vowels."

"If Louis is bad please lick him till his eyes are blue. He is very stubborn. He has a gr. deal of mule in him. He takes after his father."

"Please ex. Henry for not coming to school as he died frn the car run over on Tuesday. By so doing you will greatly oblige his loving mother."

"You must stop teach my Lizzie fiscal torture, she needs yet reading & figors mit sums more as that, if I want her to 3o jumpin I kin make her jump."

"Please excuse my Paul for being absent he is yet sick with diptery & der doctors don't tink he will discover to oblige his loving aunt Mrs. — I am his mother's sister from her first husband."

### GET BUSY.

You may now go into the woods with a b-e-a-u-t-i-f-u-l girl and entertain her by discoursing on the glorious colors of the Fall. You may wander over the whimpering brooks, you may kick your way through banks of leaves and tell her of your hopes and ambitions, of your triumphs and near triumphs. You may gather red thornapples for her and save her from the fangs of an angry caterpillar. You may sit with her on an ant hill and hold her hand—if she will let you—and tell her how her eyes remind you of Utopian joys unfathomed. You can do a lot of things like this in the Fall, if you are not married. If you are married you can rake up the leaves, put up the stoves, take down the screens, put up the storm doors, fill the coal bin, split the wood, clean the cellar, fill it with vegetables, etc. There's plenty to do in the fall.

### Lumber for Sale.

Tamarack build stuff 2x4, 2x6, and 2x8, 8, 9, 10, 12, 14, and 16 ft. lengths, in quantities to suit at \$18 per M. All made from green timber cut in Jan. 1907. Wm. Burman, one-half mile south and one and one-half mile east of Wilmot. 10-11-6

### THANKSGIVING PROCLAMATION.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 1.—President Roosevelt's Thanksgiving proclamation, through the secretary of state, naming the last Thursday of November, the 28th, is as follows:

Once again the season of the year has come, when in accordance with the custom of our forefathers for generations past, the President appoints a day as the especial occasion for all our good people to give praises and thanksgiving to God.

During the past year we have been free from famine, pestilence, from war. We are at peace with all the rest of mankind. Our national resources are at least as great as those of any other nation. We believe that in ability to develop and take advantage of these resources the average man of this nation stands at least as high as the average man of any other. Nowhere else in the world is there such an opportunity for a free people to develop to the fullest extent all its powers of body, of the mind and of that which stands above both mind and body—character.

Much has been given us from on high and much will rightly be expected of us in return. Into our care the ten talents have been entrusted, and we are to be pardoned neither if we squander and waste them, nor yet if we hide them in a napkin, for they must be fruitful in our hands. Ever throughout the ages, at all times and among all peoples, prosperity has been fraught with danger, and it behooves us to beseech the Giver of all things

that we may not fall into love of ease and of luxury; that we may not lose our sense of moral responsibility, that we may not forget our duty to God and to our neighbors.

Now, therefore, I, Theodore Roosevelt, President of the United States, do set apart Thursday, the 28th day of November, as a day of general Thanksgiving and prayer, and on that day I recommend that the people shall cease from their daily work, and, in their homes or in their churches, meet devoutly to thank the Almighty for the many and great blessings they have received in the past and to pray that they may be given the strength so to order their lives as to deserve a continuation of these blessings in the future.

A great democracy like ours, a democracy based upon the principles of orderly liberality, can be perpetuated only if in the heart of ordinary citizens there dwells a keen sense of righteousness and justice. We should earnestly pray that this spirit of righteousness and justice may grow ever greater in the hearts of all of us, and that our souls may be inclined ever more both toward the virtues that tell for gentleness and tenderness, for loving kindness and forbearance one with another and toward those no less necessary virtues that make for manliness and rugged hardihood—for without these qualities neither nation nor individual can rise to the level of greatness.

By the President,  
THEODORE ROOSEVELT.  
ELIHU ROOT,  
Secretary of State.

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Daniel P. Deming, M. D. Lato graduate of Long Island College, New York. Physician in charge of Pleasant Home Hospital.

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Going South 7:43 a. m. and 3:29 p. m.

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LATEST NEWS OF MICHIGAN

SOME PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION. AND PROSPECTS.

SOLDIERS' HOME MATTER.

Mr. Lillie, of Kent, Makes a Proposal That Wakes Up the Delegates to the Work Before Them.

The Proposition.

The most discussed proposal in the constitutional convention is the amendment plan of Delegate Colon C. Lillie, of Kent, not merely because of the method of amendment which it contains, but because it can be seen to contain solution of so many of the big problems which are crowding forward for recognition.

Sec. 1. That the following sections be adopted as sections in the revised constitution:

Sec. 1. Amendments to this constitution may be made on petition of 25 per cent of the qualified voters of the state to the secretary of state, who shall submit the proposed amendment to the people for their ratification at the next general election, and when so submitted if the proposed amendment receives a majority of all the votes cast at that election, it shall become a part and parcel of this constitution. (This section is new).

Sec. 2. The legislature, two-thirds of both houses concurring, may propose amendments and submit them to the people for ratification at a general election, and such proposal shall become part and parcel of the constitution, if they receive a majority of all the votes cast at such election. (This is in the present constitution).

The present expectation of the convention is that the Lillie proposal can pass. Strong direct legislationists say: "We shall get that if no more," while ultra-conservatives say: "This is the only proposition that looks as if there might be danger of its passage."

The referendum plan is more favored than the initiative. Perhaps three-fourths of the proposals submitted on local government provision, and no man has appeared very violently opposed to local referendum principles.

The initiative has not appeared by itself in local proposals, though localities are included in the state wide bills.

Strangely to note, the recall, which is usually mentioned in connection with initiative-referendum plans, has not yet been presented in any proposal.

The sun of present opinion seems to be that there will be a measure of referendum conceded in local matters (this apart from general "home rule" provisions), and there will be an initiative in constitutional amendments, unless the tide turns.

Stir Up at Soldiers' Home.

It develops that when Gov. Warner left Grand Rapids suddenly last week, after having a conference with the board of trustees of the Michigan Soldiers' home, he dropped a few tart remarks about the "posthumous" fund, concerning which he made the trip to Grand Rapids.

He told the members of the board that he wished the inmates of the home to be given their full pensions, and that he favored dropping at once the scheme of appropriating all of the pension money exceeding \$12 a month.

The governor is an ex-officio member of the board, and has no vote, but the board understood perfectly from the tone in which the governor made his requests, the precipitation of his retirement from the scene and his refusal to discuss the matter further, that if the soldiers are not allowed to keep their pension money, some resignations from the soldiers' home board will be asked for.

The Deerslayers.

It is with fear and misgiving by relatives of hunters that the opening of the deer season is observed in northern Michigan, and there are thousands of hunters in the woods.

The record of past seasons indicates that along with from ten to fifteen thousand deer, a number of hunters will be slain. The law which makes the act of killing a fellow hunter manslaughter has been tried and found wanting.

The recent killing of John C. Kruse, a prominent mining man, near Iron Mountain, was a typical fatality. He was slain by a companion who started with him on the trail of three bears. In this case the marksman was an expert hunter.

Henry Allman, of Charlotte, who pleaded guilty to burning the barn of a neighbor, was sent to Ionia for two years.

Under the new primary act only the thirteenth, fourteenth, eighteenth and twentieth senatorial districts will have primaries next year, unless the question is resubmitted upon the petition of enrolled voters.

Irene, who is suing Joseph Farrell for a divorce in Adrian, was refused the decree by Judge Chester because he had granted the woman another one, and from Joseph's brother, another one.

Section hands of the Northwestern railway struck because their wages were reduced from \$1.50 to \$1.35 a day. The shop employes also threaten to strike.

Sault Ste. Marie banks issued statements that the 90-day withdrawal notice would be required and business men announce that checks will be accepted.

D. M. FERRY DEAD.

Heart Failure Claims Detroit's Millionaire Seed Merchant.

Dexter Mason Ferry, head of the great seed firm which bears his name and widely known throughout the state in business and political life, was found dead in bed in his residence, 1010 Woodward avenue, early Monday morning.

Once a Farmhand.

Mr. Ferry's life is the story of steady development from the humble position of farm hand, and later of errand boy in the city, to the high place of a millionaire business man whose achievements were the result of persistent and skillful devotion to business, and of methods entirely free from the spectacular ways of later-day high finance.

Dexter M. Ferry was born in Lowville, Lewis county, N. Y., on August 8, 1833. He was the son of a wagon maker.

A Groomsome Exhibit.

During the recent session of the pardon board Nancy Flood, of Grand Rapids, who is serving a life sentence in the Detroit house of correction for the murder of a farm hand tried again to secure a pardon.

Postmaster Prettyman received word from the treasury department in Washington Wednesday that an appropriation of \$50,000 had been made for Ann Arbor's new postoffice.

The structure will be 88x66 feet and will be located at the corner of Catharine and Main streets.

THE MARKETS.

Detroit—Cattle—Extra dry steers and heifers, \$5; steers and heifers, 1,000 to 1,200, \$3.75 to \$4.25; grass steers and heifers that are fat, \$4 to \$4.50; choice fat cows, \$3.75; good fat cows, \$3.25 to \$3.75; choice hogs, \$4.25 to \$4.75; choice hogs, \$4.25 to \$4.75; choice hogs, \$4.25 to \$4.75.

East Buffalo—Cattle—Market generally 15c to 25c higher; best export steers, \$5.75 to \$6.50; best 1,200 to 1,300 lb shipping steers, \$4.75 to \$5.50; best 1,000 to 1,100 lb \$4 to \$4.50; best fat hogs, \$4.25 to \$4.75; best fat hogs, \$4.25 to \$4.75; best fat hogs, \$4.25 to \$4.75.

Hogs—Market slow; medium and heavy, \$4.25 to \$4.75; light, \$3.75 to \$4.25; roughs, \$3.25 to \$3.75; common, \$2.75 to \$3.25.

Sheep—Market active and higher; best lambs, \$7.40 to \$7.50; culls, \$6.75 to \$6.85; prospects, lower last of the week.

Calves—Active; best, \$9 to \$9.25; medium to good, \$8 to \$8.50; heavy, \$4 to \$4.50.

Grain, Etc. Wheat—Cash No. 2 red, 95 1/2c; December, 94 1/2c; with a break of 3/4c at 95 1/2c, worked up to 95 3/4c and declined to 95 1/2c; May opened at \$1.02 1/2, gained 1 1/2c and declined to \$1.02 1/2; No. 3 red, 92 1/2c; No. 1 white, 95 1/2c.

Oats—Cash No. 3, 62 1/2c; No. 3 yellow, 63 1/2c.

Beans—Cash, \$2; November, \$1.88; December and January, \$1.55.

Power of Imagination. Illustrating the strange power of the imagination, E. F. Benson, author of "Dodo," tells this incident.

As a result of the Purity congress which adjourned in Battle Creek Wednesday, there will be an organization formed to pry that city.

The supreme court has decided that Mrs. Helen Brachvogel, of Muskegon, may not assign her income from an estate of \$50,000, which was placed in her hands by the late Charles H.

THE STATE IN GENERAL

EDNA BRASS, AFTER TWENTY-ONE YEARS IN PRISON, IS PAROLED.

RELATIVES TO TAKE HER

Pleaded Guilty With Hired Man Crafts, Her Paramour, When Charged With Murder of Her Husband.

After the Weary Years.

Word was conveyed Thursday to Mrs. Edna M. Brass, who has served 21 years of a life sentence in the Detroit house of correction, for the murder of her husband in Missaukee county in 1886, that Gov. Warner had commuted her sentence to 35 years, which, with good time, permits her release Friday.

The woman was charged jointly with James Crafts with the murder of her husband, Miles Brass. Crafts, who was a hired man, is serving a life sentence at Jackson for the crime.

It developed in the investigation that Crafts and the woman had been living under improper relations, and that Crafts exerted an unusual control over her. She was of weak physical force and not strong mentally.

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Justice of the Peace Conrad Frye impaneled a jury and, after viewing the bodies of Arthur Rogers, the Bancroft farmer who cut his wife's throat and then his own during a fit of insanity, decided that the crime was committed by Rogers and that an inquest was not necessary.

The thirty-third annual meeting of the Woman's Foreign Missionary society of the Lansing district of Methodist churches was held in St. Johns.

Charles A. Morton, of Berrien Springs, and James S. Cox, of Dowagiac, who were mistaken for thieves and arrested by Michigan Central officers, have sued the road for \$10,000 damages.

Prosecuting Attorney L. F. Stewart, of Battle Creek, is investigating charges of a "trust" among milk dealers who simultaneously raised their milk from five to six and later to seven cents a quart.

The election in Greater New York resulted in a Democratic victory. New York county (Manhattan and The Bronx), went overwhelmingly their way.

Practical societies are preparing to fight in the supreme court the clause of the new law requiring insurance companies, including fraternal orders, to attach to policies all rules and regulations affecting the contracts.

It is reported that the Western Union, at Lansing, following the advice of a Detroit representative, who said opposition would be useless, will not oppose an ad valorem tax bill at the next session of the legislature.

Because they waylaid and cut off some of the hair of Prof. Charles Hathaway, of the Grand Rapids high school, who lectured against hazing, the manager and three members of the football team have been suspended.

A Bay City boiler and machine works has installed electrically driven machinery that is capable of handling beams of solid steel as though it were soft pine. One piece, a solid saw, can cut off a 16-inch piece of solid steel in 28 seconds.

Sec. Shumway, of the state board of health, is investigating the case of John Oliver, an eccentric Englishman, who lives at Charlotte under unsanitary conditions and refuses to go to the county farm. He has a quarterly income of \$100 from an English estate.

When it was reported recently that Henry Rank, of Berrien Springs, had been killed by the cars at La Porte, Ind., no one supposed he had met death any other way. Now Chief E. A. Snider, of the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern railroad detective force, declares Rank was murdered and robbed by tramps.

The new good roads commission of Kent county, the first of its kind in the state, is getting right down to business and estimates on the cost of the proposed improvements have been secured. At the meeting it was decided to hire an expert engineer and surveyor. The surveyor will be employed permanently.

The Kalamazoo liquor dealers met to consider plans for fighting the campaign for local option organized by the Anti-Saloon league. President Doll, of the association, stated that no action would be taken until the start of the campaign next spring.

The announcement from the auditor-general's office that the apportionment of the primary school money gives Kent county only \$4 per capita creates consternation among the members of the local board of education. It means that the teachers' salary fund will run \$22,000 short next spring and that this amount will have to be raised in some manner.

At the meeting of the Women's Home Missionary society of the Michigan Methodist Episcopal conference at Lansing, Mrs. Delos Fall, of Albion, was elected treasurer, trustee and delegate to the general managers' convention to be held next fall.

Pleading guilty to stealing three cases of whiskey from the Grand Trunk freight depot, Harry L. Harrington, telegraph operator, George Claridge, and Morris Putnam, baggagemen, Charles Muchler, yardmaster, and Freeman Silver, night watchman, of Flint, were fined in Justice Halsey's court and will also likely lose their positions.

STATE NEWS IN BRIEF.

Charles S. Springer shot a 250-pound bear close to Menominee city limits.

Burglars robbed the store of Herman Simmerer in Kalamazoo of furs worth \$1,800.

Mrs. Emil Jochen, of Saginaw, took poison, mistaking it for medicine, and was found dying.

Clark B. Hall, aged 72, a former Oxford teacher, was married to Lovina M. Youngs, aged 65.

A westbound express train killed D. D. Noble, of Paw Paw. Noble was 80 and in the insurance business.

Mrs. Lyman Yake, of Alpena, aged 44, who disappeared several days ago, was found dead in the woods.

Oto Feifer, a wealthy meat dealer of Sault Ste. Marie, has disappeared, leaving a wife and two children.

Lansing manufacturers have adopted the system of paying employes by check during the money stringency.

The Seitz Automobile & Transmission Co., recently organized in Monroe, has decided to locate its factory in Detroit.

Thursday, November 28, will be Thanksgiving day. This fact is revealed in a proclamation signed by Gov. Warner.

The condition of Roy Taylor, of Port Huron, who was stabbed in a boy's quarrel, has grown worse, and his death is expected.

A total of 2,900 clerks and special agents have been at work for months gathering this data and 140 are still engaged in the task.

George W. Jefferson, 63, died in a chair at his home of heart failure. He was a resident of Big Rapids 17 years. He leaves a widow and five sons.

Thomas Kerns, a stevedeck, was killed near Fenton Wednesday by a train. He was 30 years old and a veteran of the Spanish-American war.

Lansing Y. M. C. A. is extending its work to the local factories. A large bible class has been formed at the Condensed Milk factory, one of Lansing's leading industries.

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THE NOVEMBER ELECTIONS

TOM L. JOHNSON ELECTED MAYOR OF CLEVELAND FOR A FOURTH TERM.

RESULT IN OTHER STATES

Kentucky Elects Republican Governor—Anti-Graft Goes in California—Reports From All the Battle Grounds.

Johnson Has Cleveland.

Tom L. Johnson is again a winner, his plurality over Rep. Theodore Burton for mayor of Cleveland exceeding 9,000. Johnson says he will be a candidate for a fifth term two years hence and stic tok his task of giving Cleveland three-cent street car fares.

Complete returns give Johnson 48,339 votes, and Burton, 39,026. Johnson's exact plurality being 9,313. The entire Democratic ticket was elected with the exception of police clerk. The city council will stand 25 Democrats to 7 Republicans. It is reported that because of his victory Johnson may be William Jennings Bryan's candidate for the presidency next year.

Other Battles.

Kentucky has elected the entire Republican state ticket, headed by Augustus E. Wilson for governor, by majorities ranging from 5,000 to 10,000. The Kentucky legislature will have a Democratic majority on joint ballot and probably will elect Gov. Beckham to the United States senate. Louisville elected a Republican mayor.

Gov. Guild, of Massachusetts, has increased his plurality to about 105,000, as against 30,000 in 1906. The entire state ticket and both branches of the legislature are Republican. Of the two Democratic candidates Henry M. Whitney strongly outran Charles W. Bartlett, the latter falling far below Thomas L. Hisgen, of the Independence league.

The San Francisco election proved a landslide for the anti-graft leaders, and the Good Government ticket has been overwhelmingly elected from top to bottom. Mayor Edward R. Taylor, Democrat, has a plurality of more than 11,000 votes, while District Attorney Wm. Langdon has so far a majority of 16,000 over McGowan.

The election in Greater New York resulted in a Democratic victory. New York county (Manhattan and The Bronx), went overwhelmingly their way, Thomas F. Foley, for sheriff, having a plurality of 26,723 over M. F. Ihmsen, Independence League and Republican, in a comparatively light vote.

Late returns indicate the election of J. Franklin Fort (Rep.), governor of New Jersey by nearly 5,000. The state legislature will be Republican.

Rhode Island has re-elected Gov. James H. Higgins, Democrat, his plurality now reaching 2,307, a gain of 1,000 since 1904. The general assembly is Republican in both branches, ensuring the return of George Peabody Wetmore to the U. S. senate.

Maryland has elected Judge Austin L. Crothers (Dem.) for governor and the entire Democratic state ticket by about 7,000 plurality; Ex-Gov. Smith carried the primaries for the long term in the United States senate and Senator Wm. Pinney Whyte is assured of the short term.

Practically without opposition, the Mississippi Democratic state ticket, with E. F. Noel for governor, was elected yesterday.

Through the election of John D. Bransford as mayor, the general city ticket and a majority of the city council, the American party retained complete control of Salt Lake City for two more years.

In Toledo Brand Whitlock was elected mayor on his independent ticket, getting 6,000 plurality. He stands for three-cent street car fares. In Columbus, O., C. A. Bond (Rep.) was elected mayor by 5,000. In Cincinnati Col. Leopold Markheit (Rep.) won by 10,000 over Mayor Dempsey (Dem.) and Frank Pfaff (City ticket).

Pennsylvania elected John O. Sheats state treasurer by 150,000. Virginia elected a Democratic state legislature. Nebraska is 20,000 Republican on the state ticket.

Delaware voted "dry" except in the city of Wilmington.

Do Away With Sherman Law. Certain leaders of the administration seriously contemplate advising President Roosevelt to recommend to congress that the Sherman anti-trust law be wiped from the statute books and that there be submitted for its some measure aimed only at combinations unwholesome in their influence upon interstate trade.

Some months ago, the president gave notice that he intended to ask congress to repeal the Sherman anti-trust law in so far as it applied to railroads. The impression is growing among government officials who have given the subject deep study that the anti-trust law is out of joint with the times, that it is antagonistic to the progressive spirit of the age, and until it is repealed, serious disturbances in commerce and trade are bound to follow wherever and whenever efforts are made to enforce it.

In other words, many officials have reached the conclusion that the policy of prohibition and repression is a mistaken one. They contend that instead of fighting industrial combination the government should control it under the terms of well made laws.

Money Loosens Up. The amount of additional national bank notes being shipped is daily increasing, and the treasury officials are greatly encouraged in the belief that this crisis in the money stringency has passed, and that a gradual relaxation in the tension that has existed for three weeks may confidently be expected. The National City bank of New York, has arranged for \$1,000,000 additional circulation, making \$3,000,000 for this bank within the last week.

# The KING of DIAMONDS.

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## CHAPTER V.

IN after years Philip never forgot the shame of that march through the staring streets. The everlasting idlers of London's busiest thoroughfares gathered around the policeman and his prisoner with grinning callousness.

"Wot's 'e bin a-doin' of?"  
"Nicked a liddy's purse, eh?"

"Naw! Bin ticklin' the till, more like."

"Bli-me, don't 'e look sick!"

They ran and buzzed around him like wasps, stinging most bitterly with coarse words and coarser laughter. An omnibus slowed its pace to let them cross the road, and Philip knew that the people on top craned their necks to have a good look at him. When near the viaduct steps, the policeman growled something at the pursuing crowd. Another constable strode rapidly to the entrance and cut off the loafers, sternly advising them to find some other destination. But the respite was a brief one. The pair reached Farringdon street and had barely attracted attention before they passed the restaurant where Philip had lunched. The hour was yet early for midday customers, and the baldheaded proprietor saw them coming. He rushed out. The greengrocer, too, turned from his wares and joined in the exclamations of his friend at this speedy denouement of the trivial incident of twenty minutes earlier.

The restaurant keeper was made jubilant by this dramatic vindication of the accuracy of his judgment.

"The thievin' young scamp!" he ejaculated. "That's right, Mr. Policeman. Lock 'im up. 'E's a reg'lar wrong 'un."

The constable stopped. "Hello!" he said. "Do you know him?"

"I should think I did. 'E kem 'ere just now an' obtained a good blowout on false pretences, an'—"

"Old 'ard," put in the greengrocer. "That's not quite the ticket. 'E asked you to trust 'im, but you wouldn't."

The stout man gurgled.

"Not me. I know 'is sort. But 'e 'ad you a fair treat, Billy."

"Mebbe, an' mebbe not. Ennyhow, two bob won't break me, an' I'm sorry for the kid. Wot's 'e done, Mr. Policeman?"

Mr. Judd was nettled, yet unwilling to acknowledge he was wholly wrong.

"Stole a heap of diamonds. Do either of you know him?"

"Never saw him afore this mornin'."

"Then bin in my 'ouse before."

"Then come along," and Philip was tugged onward, but not before he found courage to say:

"Thank you once more, Mr. Judd. I will keep my word, never fear."

"What are you thanking him for?" said the constable.

"For believing in me," was the curt answer.

The policeman tried to extract some meaning from the words, but failed. He privately admitted that it was an extraordinary affair. How came a boy who spoke like a gentleman and was dressed like a street arab to be wandering about London with a pocketful of diamonds and admitted to the private office of the chief diamond merchant in Hatton Garden? He gave it up, but silently thanked the stars which connected him with an important case.

At last Philip's Via Dolorosa ended in the Bridewell police station. He was paraded before the inspector in charge, a functionary who would not have exhibited any surprise had the German emperor been brought before him charged with shoplifting.

He opened a huge ledger, tried if his pen would make a hair stroke on a piece of paper and said laconically:

"Name?"

No answer from the prisoner, followed by emphatic demands from inspector and constable, the former volunteering the information that to refuse your name and address was in itself an offense against the law.

Philip's sangfroid was coming to his aid. The horror of his passage through the gaping mob had cauterized all other sentiments, and he now saw that if he would preserve his incognito he must adopt a ruse.

"Philip Morland," he said doggedly when the inspector asked him his name for the last time before recording a definite refusal.

"Philip Morland!" It sounded curiously familiar in his ears. His mother was a Miss Morland prior to her marriage, but he had not noticed the odd coincidence that he should have been christened after the "Sir Philip" of the sheet of letters so fortunately left behind that morning.

"Address?"

"Park lane."

The inspector began to write before the absurdity of the reply dawned on him. He stopped.

"Is your mother a caretaker there or your father employed in a mews?"

"My father and mother are dead."

"Then will you kindly inform us what number in Park lane you live at?"

"I have not determined that as yet. I intend to buy a house there."

Some constables lounging about the office laughed, and the inspector, incensed out of his routine habits, shout-

ed angrily:

"This is no place for joking, boy. Answer me properly or it will be worse for you."

"I have answered you quite properly. The constable who brought me here has in his possession diamonds worth many thousands of pounds belonging to me. I own a hundred times as many. Surely I can buy a house in Park lane if I like."

The inspector was staggered by this well bred insolence. He was searching for some crushing legal threat that would frighten the boy into a state of due humility when Mr. Isaacstein entered.

The Hatton Garden magnate again related the circumstances attending Philip's arrest, and the inspector promptly asked:

"What charge shall I enter? You gave him into custody. Do you think he has stolen the diamonds?"

Isaacstein had been thinking hard during a short cab drive. His reply was unexpectedly frank.

"He could not have stolen what never existed. There is no such known collection of meteoric diamonds in the world."

"But there must be, because they are here."

By this time the parcel of dirty white stones was lying open on the counter, and both merchant and policeman were gazing at them intently. There was a nettling logic in the inspector's retort.

"I cannot answer riddles," said Isaacstein shortly. "I can only state the facts. If any other man in the city of London is a higher authority on diamonds than I, go to him and ask his opinion."

"Mr. Isaacstein is right," interposed Philip. "No one else owns diamonds like mine. No one else can obtain them. I have robbed no man. Give me my diamonds and let me go."

The inspector laughed officially. He gazed intently at Philip and then sought illumination from Isaacstein's perturbed countenance, but Isaacstein was moodily examining the contents of the paper and turning over both the stones and the scraps of iron with an air of profound mystification.

"I'll tell you what," said the inspector jubilantly after a slight pause. "We will charge him with being in unlawful possession of certain diamonds, supposed to have been stolen. He has given me a false name and a silly address. Park lane, the young imp said he lived in."

"A man in your position ought to be more accurate," interposed Philip. "I did not say I lived in Park lane. I told you I intended to buy a house there."

Seldom indeed were the minor deities of the police station bearded in this fashion, and by a callow youth, but the inspector was making the copperplate hair strokes which had gained him promotion, and his brain had gone back to its normal dullness.

"I will just see if we cannot bring him before a magistrate at once," he said, addressing Mr. Isaacstein. "Can you make it convenient to attend the court within an hour, sir? Then we will get a week's remand, and we will soon find out!"

"A week's remand!" Philip became white again, and those large eyes of his began to burn. "What have I done?"

"Silence! Search him carefully and take him to the cells."

The boy turned despairingly to Isaacstein.

"Mr. Isaacstein," he said, with a pitiful break in his voice, "why do you let them do this thing? You are a rich man and well known. Tell them they are wrong."

Philip's lips met in a thin seam.

"I will never tell you," he answered. And not another word would he utter.

They searched him and found nothing in his pockets save a key, a broken knife, some bits of string neatly coiled and a couple of buttons. He spent the next hour miserably in a white-washed cell. He refused some coffee and bread brought to him at 12 o'clock, and this was the only sentient break in a wild jumble of conflicting thoughts. The idea came to him that he must be dreaming—that soon he would awaken amid the familiar surroundings of Johnson's Mews. To convince himself that this was not so, he reviewed the history of the preceding twenty-four hours. At that time yesterday he was going to Fleet street with a capital of independence to buy a quire of newspapers. He remembered where he had sold each of the five copies, where he bought a penny bun and how he came to lose his stock and get cuffed into the bargain for rescuing a girl from an overturning carriage.

Then his mind reverted to his fixed resolve to hang himself and his stolid preparations for the last act in his young life's tragedy. Was that where the dream started or was the whole thing a definite reality, needing only a stout heart and unflinching purpose to carry him through triumphantly? Yes. That was it. "Be strong and brave and all will be well with you." Surely his mother had looked beyond the grave when she uttered her parting words. Perhaps if he lay down and closed his eyes he would see her. He always hoped to see her in his dreams, but never was the vision vouchsafed to him. Poor lad, he did not understand that his sleep was the sound sleep of health and innocence, when dreams if they come at all are but grotesque distortions of the simple facts of everyday existence. Only once had he dimly imagined her presence, and that was at a moment which his sane mind now refused to resurrect.

Nevertheless he was tired. Yielding to the conceit, he stretched himself on the wooden couch that ran along one side of his narrow cell.

Some one called to him, not unkindly. "Now, youngster, jump up. The van is here."

He was led through gloomy corridors and placed in a receptacle just large enough to hold him uncomfortably in a huge, lumbering vehicle. He thought he was the only occupant, which was true enough, the prisoners' van having made a special call for his benefit.

After a rumbling journey through unseen streets he emerged into another walled in courtyard. He was led through more corridors and told to "skip levelly" up a winding staircase. At the top he came out into a big room, with a well-like space in front of him, filled with a huge table, around which sat several gentlemen, among them Mr. Isaacstein, while on an elevated platform beyond was an elderly man, who wore eyeglasses and who wrote something in a book without looking up when Philip's name was called out.

A police inspector, whom Philip had not seen before, made a short statement and was followed by the constable who effected the arrest. His story was brief and correct, and then the inspector stated that Mr. Wilson of Grant & Sons, Ludgate Circus, would be called at the next hearing, as he—the inspector—would ask for a remand to enable inquiries to be made. Meanwhile Mr. Isaacstein of Hatton Garden had made it convenient to attend that day and would be pleased to give evidence if his worship desired to hear him.

"Certainly," said Mr. Abingdon, the magistrate. "This seems to be a somewhat peculiar case, and I will be glad if Mr. Isaacstein can throw any light upon it."

But Mr. Isaacstein could not do any such thing. He wound up a succinct account of Philip's visit and utterances by declaring that there was no collection of meteoric diamonds known to him from which such a remarkable set of stones could be stolen.

This emphatic statement impressed the magistrate.

"Let me see them," he said.

The parcel was handed up to him, and he examined its contents with obvious interest.

"Are you quite sure of their meteoric origin, Mr. Isaacstein?" he asked.

"Yes."

"Can you form any estimate of their probable value?"

"About £50,000!"

The reply startled the magistrate, and it sent a thrill through the court.

"Really! So much!" Mr. Abingdon was almost scared.

"If, after cutting, they turn out as well as I expect, that is a moderate estimate of their worth."

"I take it, from what you say, that meteoric diamonds are rare?"

Isaacstein closed his throat with a premonitory cough and bunched up his shoulders. A slight wabble was steeled by his stumpy hands on the rail of the witness box. He was really the greatest living authority on the subject, and he knew it.

"It is a common delusion among diamond miners that diamonds fall from the skies in meteoric showers," he said. "There is some sort of foundation for this mistaken view, as the stones are found in volcanic pipes or columns of diamantiferous material, and the crude idea is that gigantic meteors fell and plowed these deep holes, distributing diamonds in all directions as they passed. But the so called pipes are really the vents of extinct volcanoes. Ignorant people do not realize that the chemical composition of the earth does not differ greatly from that of the bodies which surround it in space, so that the same process of manufacture under high temperature and at great pressure which creates a diamond in a meteor has equal powers here. In a word, what has happened in the outer universe has also happened at Kimber-

ley. Iron acts as the solvent during the period of creation, so to speak. Then in the lapse of ages it oxidizes by the action of air or water and the diamonds remain."

The magistrate nodded.

"There are particles of a mineral that looks like iron among these stones?" he said.

The question gave Isaacstein time to draw a fresh supply of breath. Sure of his audience now, he proceeded more slowly.

"That is a certain proof of a meteoric source. A striking confirmation of the fact is supplied by a district in Arizona. Here, on a plain five miles in diameter, are scattered thousands of masses of metallic iron varying in weight from half a ton to a fraction of one ounce. An enormous meteoric shower fell there at some period, and near the center is a crater-like hole which suggests the impact of some very large body which buried itself in the earth. All mineralogists know the place as the Canyon Diablo, or Devil's gulch, and specimens of its ore are in every collection. Ordinary tools were spoiled and even emery wheels worn by some hard ingredient in the iron, and analysis has revealed the presence therein of three distinct forms of diamond—the ordinary stone, like those now before you, both transparent and black graphite and amorphous carbon—that is, carbon without crystallization."

"I gather that the diamantiferous material was present in the form of tiny particles and not in stones at all approaching these in size?" said Mr. Abingdon.

"Exactly. I have never either seen or heard of specimens like those. In 1880 a meteor fell in Russia and contained 1 per cent of diamond in a slightly metamorphosed state. In 1846 the Ava meteorite fell in Hungary, and it held crystalline graphite in the bright as well as the dark form. But, again, the distribution was well diffused and of slight commercial value. Sir William Crookes or any eminent chemist will bear me out in the assumption that the diamonds now before your eyes are absolutely matchless by the product of any recorded meteoric source."

Isaacstein, having delivered his little lecture, looked and felt important. The magistrate bent forward, with a pleasant smile.

"I am very much obliged to you for the highly interesting information you have given," he said. "One more question. The inevitably corollary of your evidence is that the boy now in the dock has either found a meteor or a meteoric deposit. Can you say if it is a matter of recent occurrence?"

"Judging by the appearance of the accompanying scraps of iron ore, I should say that they have been quite recently in a state of flux from heat. The silicates seem to be almost eliminated."

The magistrate was unquestionably puzzled. Queer incidents happen in police courts daily, and the most unexpected scientific and technical points are elucidated in the effort to secure an accurate comprehension of matters in dispute. But never during his long tenancy of the court had he been called on to deal with a case of this nature. He smiled in his perplexity.

"We all remember the copybook maxim, 'Let justice be done though the heavens fall,'" he said, "but here it is clearly shown that the ideal is not easily reached."

Of course every one laughed, and the reporters plied pen and pencil with renewed activity. Here was a sensation with a vengeance—worth all the display it demanded in the evening papers. Headlines would whoop through a quarter of a column, and Philip's meteor again run through space.

The boy himself was apparently the most disinterested person present. While listening to Isaacstein, he again experienced the odd sensation of aloofness, of lofty domination, amid a commonplace and insignificant environment. The man was clever, of course, but his cleverness was that of the textbook, a dry record of fact which needed genius to illuminate the printed page. And these lawyers, reporters, policemen, with the vacuous background of loungers, the friends and bottle holders of the magistrate—the magistrate, even, remote in his dignity and sense of power—what were they to him?—of no greater import than the paving stones of the streets to the pulsating life of London as it passed.

The magistrate glanced at Isaacstein and stroked his chin. Isaacstein gazed intently at the packet of diamonds and rubbed his sinuous nose. There was a deep silence in court, broken only by the occasional shuffle of feet among the audience at the back—a shuffle which stopped instantly when the steely glance of a policeman darted in that direction.

At last the magistrate seemed to make up his mind to a definite course of action.

"There is only one person present," he said, "who can throw light on this extraordinary case, and that is the boy himself."

He looked at Philip, and all eyes quickly turned toward the thin, ragged figure standing upright against the rail that shut him off from the well of the court. The professional people present noted that the magistrate did not allude to the strange looking youth as "the prisoner."

What was going to happen? Was this destitute urchin going to leave the court with diamonds in his pocket worth £50,000? Oddly enough, no one paid heed to Philip's boast that he owned far more than that amount. It was not he, but his packet of diamonds, that evoked wonder. And had not Isaacstein, the great merchant and expert, appraised them openly? Was it possible that those dirty white pebbles could be endowed with such potentiality? Fifty thousand pounds! There were men in the room, and not confin-

ed to the unwashed, whose palates dried and tongues swelled at the notion.

[TO BE CONTINUED.]

Oh, That This Too, Too Solid Flesh Would Melt!

The Man—What a nice fat little brother you have!

The Little Mother—Yes, sir. But I has hope he'll fall off some dis summer!

The Sordidness of Crime.

I have met murderers, anarchists, forgers, assassins, would be regicides, burglars, garroters and commoner types of the genus criminal, but I have never yet met a romantic scoundrel. The criminal deserves no flattery, and current literature would be less pernicious if this fact of the essential sordidness of all crime were well drilled into the rising generation.

—J. Sweeney in Strand Magazine.

The Hair on the Fish.

A very polite little girl was dining one day with her grandmother. Everything at the table was usually dainty and unexceptionable, but on this particular occasion the little girl found a hair in her fish.

"Grandmamma," she said sweetly, "what kind of fish is this?"

"Halibut, my dear."

"Oh," replied the child, "I thought perhaps it was mermaid."

Johnny Knew.

A class of boys were given a lesson in geography, each boy having a book containing a description of the earth before him. Suddenly the teacher called on one of the youngsters (who had been paying very little attention to what had been said) to answer the following question:

"Johnny, where is Europe?"

"Page 68," was the boy's reply.—Judge's Library.

Ready to Appeal.

A criminal from the rural districts who had heard all about appeals to the supreme court and who had been convicted of a penitentiary offense was asked by the judge if he had anything to say. "I jest want ter ax one question, judge."

He stooped down, picked up his slouch hat from the floor, as though ready to depart, and said, "Whar 'bout is this here supreme court at?"—San Francisco Argonaut.

Why do women insist on going to matinees for the sake of crying? he inquired impatiently. "Haven't they enough trouble of their own?"

"I don't know," replied she. "Why do men insist on getting into a poker game for the sake of experiencing a new kind of financial worry?"

Broadly speaking, the essential difference between merchant ships and warships is that the former are designed to carry their loads or principal portions thereof low down in the hold, whereas warships have to carry their heavy burdens of armor and armament high up on their sides.

How to Treat Lacquered Ware.

No polish should ever be used for lacquered articles. If once applied, the metal polish will spoil the surface of the lacquer. Lacquered goods should be rubbed up with a leather and, if dirty, washed with a little warm water and soap.

Jones' Baby.

I. 10 p. m.

II. 11 p. m.

III. 1 a. m.

IV. 8 a. m.

Laws of the Land Must Be Enforced.

By Vice President CHARLES W. FAIRBANKS.

WE rejoice in the fact that there is no present toleration of a LAX AND AIMLESS ENFORCEMENT OF THE LAWS OF THE LAND. The dominant purpose of the people is to see that laws are inspired by a wholesome sense of justice and that they are enforced with firmness and certainty.

THIS IS NOT THE TIME FOR MEN TO SHIRK RESPONSIBILITIES WHICH THE LAW LAYS UPON THEM OR TO MAKE THE LAW A "HISSING AND BYWORD" BY PERMITTING IT TO REMAIN UPON THE STATUTE BOOKS UNEXECUTED. A LAW DULY ENACTED AND UNENFORCED CONTAMINATES THE STATUTES. IT SOONER OR LATER DEBAUCHES THE PUBLIC CONSCIENCE AND IN TIME CORRUPTS THE VERY FOUNTAINS OF OUR NATIONAL AND CIVIC LIFE.

Those who execute the law are not to be reproached for its PROMPT AND PROPER EXECUTION. They are sworn to execute it, and they must execute it as they find it written in the statutes by the lawmakers of the land until modified or repealed. President Grant uttered a well recognized truth when he said that THE SUREST WAY TO REPEAL A BAD LAW WAS TO ENFORCE IT. It is not the province of the courts or of the administrators of the law in effect to modify or repeal it by their own WHIM OR CAPRICE, for that would be arrogating to themselves functions of government which are reposed exclusively under our system in the lawmaking body. It is for the COURTS to give effect to the laws of the people enacted by the lawmaking body in the exercise of its constitutional power.



Then his mind reverted to his fixed resolve to hang himself.

But Isaacstein was wabbling now in a renewed state of excitement.

"What can I do, boy?" he vociferated, almost hysterically. "You must say where you got those stones, and then perhaps you can clear up every-

thing."

"I have not determined that as yet. I intend to buy a house there."

Some constables lounging about the office laughed, and the inspector, incensed out of his routine habits, shout-

ed angrily:

"This is no place for joking, boy. Answer me properly or it will be worse for you."

"I have answered you quite properly. The constable who brought me here has in his possession diamonds worth many thousands of pounds belonging to me. I own a hundred times as many. Surely I can buy a house in Park lane if I like."

The inspector was staggered by this well bred insolence. He was searching for some crushing legal threat that would frighten the boy into a state of due humility when Mr. Isaacstein entered.

The Hatton Garden magnate again related the circumstances attending Philip's arrest, and the inspector promptly asked:

"What charge shall I enter? You gave him into custody. Do you think he has stolen the diamonds?"

Isaacstein had been thinking hard during a short cab drive. His reply was unexpectedly frank.

"He could not have stolen what never existed. There is no such known collection of meteoric diamonds in the world."

"But there must be, because they are here."

By this time the parcel of dirty white stones was lying open on the counter, and both merchant and policeman were gazing at them intently. There was a nettling logic in the inspector's retort.

"I cannot answer riddles," said Isaacstein shortly. "I can only state the facts. If any other man in the city of London is a higher authority on diamonds than I, go to him and ask his opinion."

"Mr. Isaacstein is right," interposed Philip. "No one else owns diamonds like mine. No one else can obtain them. I have robbed no man. Give me my diamonds and let me go."

The inspector laughed officially. He gazed intently at Philip and then sought illumination from Isaacstein's perturbed countenance, but Isaacstein was moodily examining the contents of the paper and turning over both the stones and the scraps of iron with an air of profound mystification.

"I'll tell you what," said the inspector jubilantly after a slight pause. "We will charge him with being in unlawful possession of certain diamonds, supposed to have been stolen. He has given me a false name and a silly address. Park lane, the young imp said he lived in."

"A man in your position ought to be more accurate," interposed Philip. "I did not say I lived in Park lane. I told you I intended to buy a house there."

Seldom indeed were the minor deities of the police station bearded in this fashion, and by a callow youth, but the inspector was making the copperplate hair strokes which had gained him promotion, and his brain had gone back to its normal dullness.

"I will just see if we cannot bring him before a magistrate at once," he said, addressing Mr. Isaacstein. "Can you make it convenient to attend the court within an hour, sir? Then we will get a week's remand, and we will soon find out!"

"A week's remand!" Philip became white again, and those large eyes of his began to burn. "What have I done?"

"Silence! Search him carefully and take him to the cells."

The boy turned despairingly to Isaacstein.

"Mr. Isaacstein," he said, with a pitiful break in his voice, "why do you let them do this thing? You are a rich man and well known. Tell them they are wrong."

Philip's lips met in a thin seam.

"I will never tell you," he answered. And not another word would he utter.

They searched him and found nothing in his pockets save a key, a broken knife, some bits of string neatly coiled and a couple of buttons. He spent the next hour miserably in a white-washed cell. He refused some coffee and bread brought to him at 12 o'clock, and this was the only sentient break in a wild jumble of conflicting thoughts. The idea came to him that he must be dreaming—that soon he would awaken amid the familiar surroundings of Johnson's Mews. To convince himself that this was not so, he reviewed the history of the preceding twenty-four hours. At that time yesterday he was going to Fleet street with a capital of independence to buy a quire of newspapers. He remembered where he had sold each of the five copies, where he bought a penny bun and how he came to lose his stock and get cuffed into the bargain for rescuing a girl from an overturning carriage.

Then his mind reverted to his fixed resolve to hang himself and his stolid preparations for the last act in his young life's tragedy. Was that where the dream started or was the whole thing a definite reality, needing only a stout heart and unflinching purpose to carry him through triumphantly? Yes. That was it. "Be strong and brave and all will be well with you." Surely his mother had looked beyond the grave when she uttered her parting words. Perhaps if he lay down and closed his eyes he would see her. He always hoped to see her in his dreams, but never was the vision vouchsafed to him. Poor lad, he did not understand that his sleep was the sound sleep of health and innocence, when dreams if they come at all are but grotesque distortions of the simple facts of everyday existence. Only once had he dimly imagined her presence, and that was at a moment which his sane mind now refused to resurrect.

Nevertheless he was tired. Yielding to the conceit, he stretched himself on the wooden couch that ran along one side of his narrow cell.

Some one called to him, not unkindly. "Now, youngster, jump up. The van is here."

He was led through gloomy corridors and placed in a receptacle just large enough to hold him uncomfortably in a huge, lumbering vehicle. He thought he was the only occupant, which was true enough, the prisoners' van having made a special call for his benefit.

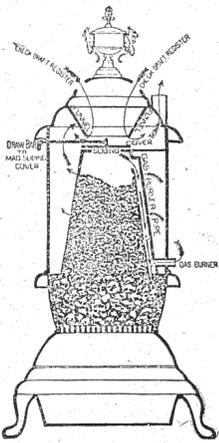
After a rumbling journey through unseen streets he emerged into another walled in courtyard. He was led through more corridors and told to "skip levelly" up a winding staircase. At the top he came out into a big room, with a well-like space in front of him, filled with a huge table, around which sat several gentlemen, among them Mr. Isaacstein, while on an elevated platform beyond was an elderly man, who wore eyeglasses and who wrote something in a book without looking up when Philip's name was called out.

A police inspector, whom Philip had not seen before, made a short statement and was followed by the constable who effected the arrest. His story was brief and correct, and then the inspector stated that Mr. Wilson of Grant & Sons, Ludgate Circus, would be called at the next hearing, as he—the inspector—would ask for a remand to enable inquiries to be made. Meanwhile Mr. Isaacstein of Hatton Garden had made it convenient to attend that day and would be pleased to give evidence if his worship desired to hear him.

"Certainly," said Mr. Abingdon, the magistrate. "This seems to be a somewhat peculiar case, and I will be glad if Mr. Isaacstein can throw any light upon it."

But Mr.

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### LOCAL ITEMS.

Ira Reagh is moving to Ellington.

W. J. Moore of Caro was in town Tuesday.

Ellen Hallack was on the sick list last week.

Mrs. I. A. Fritz, who has been quite ill, is better.

Master Irvine Striffler is suffering with trachitis.

Ora Hulbert is an apprentice in Ball & Bailey's barber shop.

Mrs. Duncan Crawford, who has been on the sick list, is better.

Miss Lillian Striffler is the guest of Mrs. John Ricker at Gagetown.

Jas. Whale of Deckerville has been visiting relatives in this vicinity.

W. A. Fairweather and F. Forbes of Caro were in town on Wednesday.

Clayton C. Harp of Hale was the guest of friends in town over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Perkins of Argyle spent Sunday with relatives in town.

Mrs. Geo. E. Hopps of Kingston was a caller in town last Thursday and Friday.

C. P. Miller of Detroit was a guest at the home of C. D. Striffler over Sunday.

Clement Tyo of Argyle spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Tyo.

Geo. Riker has returned home from Pigeon where he has been employed in a barber shop.

Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Nique of Shabbona visited at the home of J. H. Striffler Sunday.

The Misses Minta and Effie Wallace entertained a company of friends on Monday evening.

Mrs. C. E. Maxwell of Richmond is the guest of her mother, Mrs. Eva Titus, this week.

Miss Grace Crane, who has been very ill with typhoid fever, is reported as slightly improved.

Landon & Perkins have moved their office from the G. A. R. building to the rooms over Bender's store.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Darr of Argyle spent Sunday with the former's cousin, A. Doerr, and family Sunday.

The Misses Anna and Bertha Zinnecker were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Schiele at Elkton Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dana Losey spent Sunday with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Spurgeon, Sr., north-east of town.

Arthur Foster of Brown City was a guest at the home of his sister, Mrs. T. L. Tibbals, last week, returning home on Saturday.

A company of young people surprised Earl Heller at his home on east Main street last Friday evening. A fine time is reported.

Mrs. S. Bennett and children of Detroit, who have been visiting relatives here, have gone to Caseville and Bay Port to visit with friends.

Mrs. C. E. Haviland and little son returned to their home in Flint last Thursday morning. They were accompanied by the former's mother, Mrs. D. P. Deming.

Mrs. W. A. Wellemeyer of Vassar was the guest of friends in town last Monday. On Tuesday she went to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. W. Bradley at Laing.

Mrs. Vanderheit, who has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. H. S. Wickware, for some time, left this week for Flint, where she expects to make her future home.

Rev. C. Scott Williams, a missionary and a noted speaker on Christian work in the regions of Old Mexico, will speak in the Presbyterian church next Tuesday evening.

Buckwheat grinding every day at the Cass City Roller Mills. 11-15

Call early and select your holiday gifts at Losey's china store.

Bring your buckwheat to the roller mills. Grinding every day. 11-15

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Notes taken for collection.

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Mrs. Wm. Straube left Wednesday for her future home in Helena, Montana.

Mrs. W. Bergey left on Wednesday for a visit with friends at Owosso and Benton Harbor.

Announcements were received here this week of the birth of a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Ferris R. Jameson on Nov. 9 at Bay City. Mr. Jameson was formerly foreman of the Chronicle office.

Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Robey are moving to Deckerville this week where they expect to make their future home, Mr. Robey having purchased an interest in a meat market at the above mentioned place.

A party consisting of G. A. Striffler of Cass City, Ben Hicks of Deford and H. C. Castle of North Branch left Saturday for Newberry where they will hunt deer. The party is camping ten miles from Newberry.

The remains of Archibald Hildie were brought here from Pontiac and interred in Elkland cemetery Sunday. Mr. Hildie was an uncle of Mrs. Andrew Muntz and a brother of John Hildie of Brookfield township.

Mrs. G. W. Goff went to Brown City Wednesday to attend the Tuscola and Sanilac county association of the Order of the Eastern Star. She also visited her daughter, Miss Lillian, who is employed at that place.

L. M. Houghton and Geo. Calkins of Detroit are the guests of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Houghton, and enjoying a hunting expedition. They expect to go to Lexington before returning home.

Friday evening at the Baptist church a reception will be given to the new members. Refreshments will be served. All members of the church and congregation and also all the friends of the church are cordially invited.

A party of gentlemen from Pontiac took dinner at the Gordon Tavern Sunday, Receiver Lounsbury and General Superintendent Carroll of the P., O. & N. R. R. being among the number. The party came on a special train.

Wm. H. Ruhl and Miss Ethel Spendlove, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. Scallen of Detroit, were married in Windsor on Tuesday, Nov. 5. The Chronicle joins with Mr. Ruhl's friends in extending congratulations and best wishes.

The dedication of the M. E. church at Beasley has been postponed because the carpenters were unable to complete their work on the building in time for the first date selected for the dedicatory services. They will be held on Sunday, Dec. 1.

Mrs. T. J. Clement left on Saturday morning for Detroit where she will make her future home, Mr. Clement being employed there. Miss Mabel Clement and little brother, Lloyd, went to Crosswell the same day to visit relatives and will go to Detroit later.

The accident to the dynamo at the power house last Thursday evening prevented the continuance of the Passion Play at the Empire which was advertised as an all week attraction. Those who were fortunate in attending the first of the week were well pleased.

Mrs. Mary Lockhead of Flint, deputy commander of the Ladies of the Modern Maccabees, gave two schools of instruction for Hazel Hive on Tuesday afternoon and evening. There was a good attendance. Mrs. Lockhead went to Deford on Wednesday afternoon to visit the hive at that place.

More locals on fifth page.

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See Losey's window display of fancy lamps.

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## AUCTION SALE

The undersigned having rented his farm 4 1/2 miles east of Cass City, will sell the following property without reserve on

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 22**

At one o'clock

Brown Mare 6 years old	American 2-horse Cultivator
Clyde Mare 1 year old	Set Bob Sleighs Peerless Plow
Clyde Horse 1 year old	Spring Tooth Harrow
Cow 6 years old due May 9th	60 tooth Smoothing Harrow
Heifer 1 year old due August 1st	Set Double Harness
3 Calves	3 2-year old Steers
Wagon	Hay Rack
McCormick Mower New 4	Stack Bean Straw
Horse Rake	Other articles too numerous to mention

**Terms:** All sums of \$5.00 and under, cash; over \$5.00 12 months time on good approved notes with interest at 6 per cent.

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**J. H. STRIFFLER, Auctioneer.**

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**Cass City Roller Mills**

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## AUCTION SALE

The undersigned will sell the following property at auction at her residence on Garfield Ave., Cass City, on

**SATURDAY, NOV. 16, '07**

At two o'clock

Sewing machine	Rocking chairs	Commode	Stands
6 cane seated Chairs	Clothes bars	Cot bed	
Refrigerator, nearly new	Wood heating stove	Lawn mower	
2 Bedsteads	Springs and mattresses	Other articles too numerous to mention	

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## The Art Laurel Range

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We ordered a carload of these celebrated Ranges and Hard and Soft Coal Heaters early this fall. Have had to order another carload. They sell like hot cakes.

They will save you 50 per cent in your coal bill. Come in and let us demonstrate their superior qualities as a fuel saver.

Old stoves taken in exchange.

**J. B. COOTES, The Hardware Man**

# AUCTION

Having decided to quit farming, I will sell the following property at auction at my home 1 mile east and 2 miles north of Cass City, on

## MONDAY, NOV. 18

At 10:00 o'clock

- Black mare in foal by Belgian, 9 years old
- Bay mare 10 years old
- Roan mare in foal, 10 years old
- Stallion 13 years old
- Gray mare 6 years old
- Roan gelding 4 years old
- Brown mare, Belgian, 2 years old
- Bay mare, Winzervillian, 2 years old
- Sorrel mare, Belgian, 1 year old
- Sorrel gelding, Belgian, 1 year old
- Sorrel sucking colt, 5 mo. old
- 2 Thoroughbred bulls, 8 and 18 months old
- Yoke of oxen, 8 and 9 years old, weight 3400
- Cow in calf 7 years old
- Cow in calf 8 years old
- Cow 4 years old, due in Dec.
- Cow 6 years old, due in Dec.
- Cow 6 years old, due in Jan.
- Cow in calf 3 years old
- Cow 4 yrs. old with calf by side
- 2 Heifers 2 years old
- 2 Thoroughbred Durham bulls
- 3 Steers coming 2 years old
- 2 Heifer calves
- Sucking calf 3 weeks old
- 39 Grade ewes Oxford buck
- 15 Ducks 30 Chickens
- Collie dog Milwaukee binder
- Deering mower
- Deering two-horse rake
- Empire fertilizer, grain drill attachment
- American two-horse cultivator
- Thomas disc
- Sugar beet cultivator
- Sugar Beet Drill
- Sugar Beet Lifter
- Pair Lever Spring Tooth Harrows
- Set Spring Tooth Harrows
- Spike Tooth Harrow
- Land Roller
- 2 Oliver Plows No. 99
- Riding Plow new Side Scraper
- Stone Boat
- Birdsell Wagon 3 in. tire nearly new
- Heavy Wagon, 4 in. arm, 4 in tire good as new
- Muck & Anderson Wagon, 4 in. tire
- Set Farm Trucks
- 2 Hay Racks with beet box attachment Fanning Mill
- Spike tooth Cultivator Cutter
- Heavy pair Sleighs Surrey
- Concord Buggy Wheel Barrow
- Hay Fork, Rope and Pulleys
- Large Food Cooker
- Set Gravel Plank Stock Rack
- 3 set Heavy Harness
- Set Single Harness
- Steelyards, 300 lbs.
- 6 acres of Bean Straw
- Stack of Hay, about 6 tons
- Quantity of Hay in barn
- 2 Chicken Crates
- Soft Coal Burner Wood Burner
- Refrigerator Vinegar, 1 to 3 bbl.
- About 100 Cedar Posts
- Set of 3 horse Wagon Whiffletrees
- 2 set heavy double trees
- Quantity of good Seed Peas
- 1 to 3 hundred bushel of good Seed Oats
- 50 bu. good seed Barley
- Other articles too numerous to mention

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**J. D. Tuckey, Prop.**



ROBERT D. ARMSTRONG

## How to Sift "Sure Things"

### Crafty Investment Swindlers Who Prey Upon the Credulity of the Laborer to Defraud Him of His Hard Earned Savings.

BY ROBERT B. ARMSTRONG,  
Former Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.

The cleverness and boldness with which the up-to-date investment swindler plies his craft are almost incredible. Wherever you find a fraudulent investment scheme you will find both of these elements present in some degree—but the comparative proportion of one to the other is generally determined by the element of time of operation.

For example, if the projectors of a scheme are old hands at the game and have established records of the wrong sort, then the idea of quick results is not only attractive but often imperative. There are many "old offenders" in the profession of investment swindling who have been convicted and have "done time" in jails and penitentiaries but have not yet learned to prefer straight to crooked finance.

Men of this character realize that a "quick get-away" is a cardinal essential of success; they must complete the transaction and get in the harvest before there is time for the public to wake up and do some investigating. Consequently, boldness is the big element in operations of men of this class. And, although they may be immensely clever, daring rather than cunning will be the dominant characteristic of their scheme.

The length to which the bolder spirits in this class will go almost surpasses credibility. Here is an example of the tricks to which they will resort in order to create the impression of having the backing of men or institutions of strength and character:

Through introduction by social friends the local representative of an investment scheme was able to open a checking account with a banking and trust company in a big city—a company of so high a standing that it is very widely known outside of financial circles and among people of small means. Its endorsement was worth "ready money" to any enterprise and the fact was keenly appreciated by the "fiscal agents" of the Brite & Fair Bonanza company.

After the opening of his personal checking account, the fiscal agent lost no time in cultivating the acquaintance of the trust officer of the banking institution, which did a very large business in the discharge of trusts. One day the depositor came to this officer and explained that he had a very simple little trust which he wished to have executed. Finding it necessary to leave the city for a few days he wished to provide for the delivery of a sealed package, containing "valuable papers," to a man whose name and personal description was given. The person to call for the package would leave a certified check, in the amount of \$1,000, which was to be placed to the credit of the "fiscal agent" of the Brite & Fair Bonanza company, whose business connections were unknown to the trust officers of the banking and trust company.

Weeks later the trust officer was astonished to receive from an old personal friend, who was knocking about in the west, a circular of the Brite & Fair Bonanza company, in which the big trust company was designated as "trustee" for the "B. & F." stocks. As the friend who forwarded the circular knew something of the wildcat nature of the Brite & Fair enterprise, his comments on the folly of the bank's accepting such a "trust" had an edge on them. When the matter was investigated it was found that the whole plot had been carefully concocted and worked up to; that the circulars had been printed and put in directed envelopes ready for mailing in advance of the placing of the so-called "trust," and that when the trust officer of the solid financial institution

had given his receipt for the "sealed package" said to contain valuable papers, a telegram had been sent by the "fiscal agent" to "mail out trustee circulars." The man in this scheme of course believed that, as the circulars were being mailed out into a territory about a thousand miles from the city in which the banking and trust company was located the trust officer who had been imposed upon would never hear of the misuse of his receipt for a "dummy" package which actually contained certificates of the mining company's stock.

Why did the men who worked this scheme to steal the moral support of the big trust company go to so great pains to get it; to make the transfer of a sealed package containing its bonds? Because fake investment operators have found it profitable to take every precaution to give the color of legality to their acts; they have found it profitable to hire shrewd legal pilots to tell them just how far they may go in a given direction without running upon the reefs of the United States post office's "fraud order" or upon the rocks of a "conspiracy" prosecution. These pilots for the fleets of the investment pirates make a professional study of the art of steering their craft just outside the line of successful criminal prosecution. Take it in the incident which I have related: had these men been prosecuted for falsely using the name of the trust company or for obtaining moneys by misrepresentation (the claim that the trust company was acting as trustee on the Brite & Fair securities), an able lawyer could have made out of the "trust" to transfer a package of unknown contents, a very plausible defense. Again, the mining company was able to make valuable use of the trust company's receipt for the package by having facsimiles of the receipt printed and distributed among solicitors for the stock who were canvassing persons not at all familiar with legal documents—and who, under the statements and arguments of the agent, would see in the receipt an acknowledgement that this great trust company and its millions were behind the securities of the Brite & Fair Bonanza company.

So far as the writer knows, there has never been a fake investment concern exploited which has not tried to steal moral support under the name of some "guaranty," "trust," or "securities" company. In most cases, perhaps, these companies are as thorough fakes as the company which they are supposed to guarantee, and are the creatures and creations of the same man. But so many instances of this shallow deception have been shown up in criminal prosecutions that a little variation has been found desirable. Instead of owning a fake "guaranty" concern, the exploiters of the fake companies have recently come to regard it as a better practice to claim connection with some genuine company doing a general trust business.

This brings us straight to the practical point in the matter: Never go into an investment until you first find out for yourself, by direct and first-hand investigation, what the "references" named in the literature or advertising matter of the company have to say about it, and also how much the references themselves amount to. Promoters of wildcat investment enterprises have used hundreds of names as references which they had not the shadow of right to use—calculating that persons credulous enough to be interested in the proposition would also be credulous enough to say "these references will speak well enough for the enterprise, else their names would not be given out for this purpose"

and to act without making any inquiries of them. Again, some man of prominence and great faith may have been, at the start, a believer in the enterprise and willing to say, within certain limitations, that he believed the venture could be made a success if conducted according to certain plans and under given restrictions. This does not signify that he will continue to retain that confidence or that he is willing to be understood as giving the venture his unqualified endorsement or to say to the public which respects his name and position: "Come and share this enterprise with me; put your money into it, for it's a good thing." But you may be sure that his name will always be used to create this impression if there has ever existed a shadow of warrant for using it, under whatever restrictions.

Therefore, take nothing for granted with regard to references or other names which appear in the advertising matter of a concern which applies to you for the privilege of spending your savings.

But let me place special emphasis upon the crafty use which these companies make of the names and the services of reputable "trust" companies. I use the word "services" because a trust company may execute a "trust" in connection with bonds, stocks, property or securities, without really assuming any general financial or moral responsibility for those securities or without becoming a sponsor for them. In a word, the trust company may engage to act as an escrow agent to see that a certain technical transaction is completed and nothing more. That means this: The trust company consents to hold the stakes between two parties but without the slightest responsibility as to the value of those stakes or what may be done with them after the stipulations as to the conditions precedent to delivery have been fulfilled. Because a trust company acts as the trustee of a certain bond issue there is no warrant for a prospective investor to feel that the resources of the trust company are in any sense behind those bonds as a guarantee of value. There are almost as many different kinds of "trusts" as there are different transactions; the trust company undertakes the responsibility of doing a certain definite and particular thing and nothing more: It may be to foreclose if a mortgage is not paid, or it may be to issue so many shares of a certain stock to a certain person when a stipulated number of shares of another issue are surrendered.

But there are very few men even fairly familiar with business routine who do not form an impression that, somehow, the big trust company is behind the stocks for which it acts as transfer agent or perform any other act of trustship. It is almost impossible to drive this idea out of the minds of men who are not really familiar with corporation matters from an inside viewpoint. They will insist upon attaching to a limited service an unlimited moral and financial responsibility that does not exist.

It is, therefore, of the highest possible importance if you find yourself tempted to go into an investment, that you learn from the trust company mentioned in the literature of the venture exactly what "trust" it has undertaken to perform. If it is a really reliable and established trust company with a genuine financial standing it will make the limitations of its trust very clear, and it will take special pains to make you understand, for example, that its only function in the matter in question and in connection with the company concerned, is the purely technical one of seeing that a certain issue of bonds is made "in form" when the technical preliminaries have been complied with and that it does not give an ounce of its prestige or moral support to the bonds themselves or stand legally bound for a penny of responsibility in connection with them. Another word of caution: Whenever you see the name of an educator, a pastor or a popular politician or any other leader having a hold on the sentiment of a community, used in connection with an investment offering, look into it carefully and take no step until the person mentioned has been questioned directly by you.

I know of an instance where the poor people of a parish were victimized because the unscrupulous agent had attached to his prospectuses and circulars the name of a popular priest of that region. These poor victims, instead of going to the "reference," simply said: "If the father's in it, sure it's all right," and they were relieved of their savings before the father learned of the use of his name—which was wholly without his knowledge.

The solicitors for this swindle had played a bold game and banked on their knowledge of human nature to the effect that most persons will take a "reference" for granted instead of using it for the purpose of seeking information. There are very few of the lists of men and business or financial houses named as references in the literature of scaly investment concerns, which do not contain some unauthorized names—names of some persons who, if questioned, would have given a warning instead of an endorsement.

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**Dir!**  
Mrs. Avenoo—You say he detests his wife cordially?  
Mrs. De Soussit—Yes, he hates the very ground she sued for divorce on.—Puck.

**Speaks Many Languages.**  
Mme. Patti speaks Italian, Spanish, Russian, German, French and Portuguese perfectly, and, of course, her English is faultless.

### LOCAL ITEMS.

Mrs. Jas. Hutchinson, mother of David Hutchinson, died in Ellington township at the age of 67 years. Her death was unexpected as she was in her usual health Saturday noon and at six o'clock that evening death had overtaken her. The funeral was held Wednesday and interment made in Ellington cemetery.

### LINER COLUMN

Advertisements inserted under this heading at a rate of one-half cent a word for each insertion; minimum charge, 10 cents.

**BUSINESS** block on Main street for sale. Lot has frontage of 22 feet. Building is 22x50, two stories, brick veneer, equipped with waterworks on both floors and has good cellar. Enquire at Chronicle office for further particulars.

**DON'T PAY RENT** when you can buy a seven room house 22x28, two stories, for \$200. House is situated on Garfield Avenue, is plastered and papered and has good cellar and waterworks. Corner lot, small barn. Half cash, balance on time. Enquire at Chronicle office.

**FOR SALE**—4 Cows, 25 hens and pullets, 2 heating stoves, second hand. A. A. Hitchcock. 11-15-17

**FOR SALE**—A choice lot of White Plymouth Rock chickens, bred from U. K. Fishel stock. This month, 10, 25, and 50. R. S. Brown, Gagetown, Mich. 11-15-17

**FOR SALE**—A horse, buggy and harness. Enquire of A. W. Gowen at Etherinton building. 10-11-17

**FOR SALE**—On thoroughbred Ram. Amos Hoffman, two miles south and one mile east of Beaulieu. 11-1-17

**FOR SALE**—House and lot on easy terms. H. W. Seed, Bay City, or G. E. Perkins, Cass City. 11-1-17

**FOR SALE**—Good house and good barn and two lots at a bargain. Price and terms reasonable. E. H. Pinney. 9-23-

**FOR SALE**—An extra good roadster. Enquire at Model Clothing & Shoe Co. 9-27-

**HOUSE** and two lots with barn for sale. Easy terms. Also have a top buggy, good as new, for sale. A. C. Wickware. 10-11-

**HOUSE** to rent. Enquire of H. L. McDermott. 11-4-

**H. C. HOWEY** is out of the business, but is in the rug and carpet weaving business to stay. 11-8-17

**WANT** to loan on improved farms at 6 per cent. E. B. Landon. 3-8-17

**ROOMS** to rent. Enquire at Lenzen's Furniture Store. 4-15

**STRAYED** onto my premises about October 1, two calves. Henry Becker. 11-15-17

**STRAYED** from pasture two miles east of town about three months ago, a yearling heifer, dark red with brindle shoulders. Anyone finding same will please notify at postoffice. Liberal reward offered. 10-18-17

**SEVEN ROOM** house and lot for sale at \$600. Enquire at Chronicle office.

**WANTED**—Married man to work on farm by the year. Good wages to the right man. F. J. Nash, Sec. 20, Elkland. 11-1-17

**WANTED**—Local representative for Cass City and vicinity to look after renewals and increase subscription list of a prominent monthly magazine, on a salary and commission basis. Experience desirable but not necessary. Good opportunity for right person. Address Publisher, Box 59, Station G, Newark.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pitcher, who formerly resided here, but for the past few years have been living in Pontiac, have decided to come back to Cass City to live. They arrived here last week and at present are visiting at the home of their daughter, Mrs. John Ball. They will be welcomed back to Cass City by a host of friends.

The officials of the Cass City Fair association announce that they will hold a business meeting about Dec. 20 and at that time will revise the premium list for next year's fair. Anyone having any suggestions to offer regarding the revision of the list of articles is requested to leave the same at this office and they will be considered at the business meeting.

A. Doerr has sold a half interest in the Gordon Tavern to O. D. Avery. Mr. Avery comes from Pontiac and for five years was connected with the Northern Hotel in that city. During the past two years he has been out of the hotel business however and was employed as a travelling salesman. Mr. Doerr and family have moved into their residence on the corner of Seeger and Houghton streets.

A coil in the armature of the dynamo of the power house burned out last Thursday night and all electric lights in residences and business places have been out of commission since. The accident has made it very inconvenient for all users of electric lights, and gasoline lamps, kerosene lamps and lanterns have been in demand. The damaged parts of the dynamo were shipped to Detroit for repairs Saturday and Superintendent Padfield followed them to that city Monday morning. The dynamo parts came from Detroit yesterday noon.

The financial stringency has been greatly relieved by large shipments of gold from foreign countries. The local situation is assuming a normal condition in spite of the fact that the local banks have not been able to secure funds from the Detroit banks. The grain elevators at Cass City have opened up and are again buying farm products. The local stock buyers will commence buying as soon as they are assured that they will be able to make shipments over the P. O. & N. Three cars of stock were loaded Wednesday, but they had to be unloaded again as trains are not able to cross the sink hole just south of Clifford. Passengers are obliged to change cars at this point and the mail and express is carried from the train south of the dangerous point to the train north and vice versa. The last through freight came to Cass City Tuesday. Workmen are busy making repairs and it is hoped that they will be completed within a few days and that trains will run as usual.

Five second-hand heating stoves for sale. G. L. Hitchcock.

Farm to rent. G. L. Hitchcock.

10 Small pigs for sale, weight 50 pounds. G. L. Hitchcock.

Two new ranges to exchange for cattle and sheep. G. L. Hitchcock.

The prosecution of the leather trust will disclose whether or not it has been conducting a skin game.

Japan seems to be doing everything she can to warrant an attack on China before China wakes up.

Football is on the way, and the surgeons may as well turn up their sleeves.

**CASS CITY MARKETS.**  
Cass City, Mich., Nov. 14, 1907.

**BUYING PRICE—**

Wheat No. 1, white.....	90
Wheat, No. 2, red.....	90
Rye No. 2.....	72
Oats.....	45
Choice Handpicked Beans.....	1 00
Alfalfa.....	7 00 8 00
June.....	8 00 8 50
Barley, per cwt.....	1 50
Peas.....	75 80
Corn.....	72
Hay.....	10 00 12 00
Eggs, per doz.....	20
Butter, per lb.....	20 22
Fat cows, live weight, per lb.....	02 03
Steers, live weight, per lb.....	2 1/2 3 1/2
Fat Sheep, live weight, per lb.....	3 3/4
Lambs, live weight, per lb.....	4 1/2
Live Hogs.....	4 5
Dressed Hogs.....	7
Dressed Beef.....	5 1/2
Calves.....	5 6
Chickens.....	5 6
Ducks.....	7
Geese.....	7
Turkey.....	10 12
Hides, green.....	7

**ROLLER MILLS.**

White Lily, per cwt.....	2 75
Seal of Minnesota, per cwt.....	3 25
Economy per cwt.....	1 00
Franchon per cwt.....	3 00
Granulated meal, per cwt.....	2 50
Feed per cwt.....	1 00
Meal per cwt.....	1 50
Bran per cwt.....	1 40
Middlings per cwt.....	1 50
Oil Meal per cwt.....	1 50
Salt, per bbl.....	85 90



Most people know that if they have been sick they need **Scott's Emulsion** to bring back health and strength.

But the strongest point about **Scott's Emulsion** is that you don't have to be sick to get results from it.

It keeps up the athlete's strength, puts fat on thin people, makes a fretful baby happy, brings color to a pale girl's cheeks, and prevents coughs, colds and consumption.

Food in concentrated form for sick and well, young and old, rich and poor.

And it contains no drugs and no alcohol.

ALL DRUGGISTS; 50c. AND \$1.00.

## Correspondence

### NOVESTA.

A. McPhee visited friends at Cedar Run Monday.

Clyde Quick and family have moved into their new house.

Mrs. Parrott and daughter, Maude, are both sick at present.

Don Nutt has moved into the Anderson house on Section 21.

Harry Tallmadge has accepted a position in the Caro sugar factory.

Mrs. Samuel Little and two daughters returned to their home in Alger last Saturday.

Harry Denstone and Benjamin Becker left last Tuesday for East Jordan where they expect to spend the winter.

Mrs. Clyde Quick's sister, Mae Swa-

field who has spent the summer here, has gone to Port Huron to visit her mother.

The anniversary supper at the Church of Christ last Friday evening was well attended. The proceeds amounted to \$26.

### Pneumonia Follows a Cold.

but never follows the use of Foley's Honey and Tar. It stops the cough, heals and strengthens the lungs and prevents pneumonia, L. I. Wood & Co.

### UNIONVILLE.

Farmers are very busy hauling their beet crop. They are hindered for lack of cars.

Mrs. Higgins, the worthy matron of the O. E. S. will attend the association held at Brown City Nov. 13.

J. H. Holdenburg has had several carloads of apples shipped to the Unionville evaporator from Reese, Gilford and other places along this line.

The primary scholars of the Union-

villeschool and Akron school have been exchanging work. Some very nice work has been done by the little ones.

The Saginaw Milling Co. are remodeling their elevator, raising it up and putting a four-foot concrete wall under it. Otto Helmick has the job. When complete it will be the most up-to-date elevator in the county.

Paul Reffer, a shipper from Sebawaing, bought from the farmers in this vicinity the largest drove of cattle and sheep that has been shipped this fall and shipped them Friday to Buffalo markets.

### CANBORO.

Wm. W. Parker, Sr. was in Elkton Thursday.

Jas. Brackenbury was in Elkton on Thursday.

Phin Walsh, Jr., of Sebawaing spent Sunday with his parents here.

Mr. and Mrs. Bowers of Flint are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. Lown.

F. Mellendorf of Beaulieu called on relatives in this vicinity Thursday evening.

Miss Audrey Taylor has returned from Canada where she has spent some time.

Henry, Marie and Dorothy Mellendorf called on relatives at Beaulieu on Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. James Rockwood and daughters of Kingsley are visiting relatives here.

Miss Tessa Foreman of West Grant spent Saturday and Sunday with her sister, Edie, here.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Peters and daughter of Sebawaing spent Sunday with the latter's parents here.

Miss Lizzie Parker returned home Friday from Owendale after spending the past two weeks with her sister.

Miss Edith Hartsell returned home Wednesday after spending a few days with her sister, Mrs. F. Maxfield, at Karr's Corners.

### Appendicitis

is due in a large measure to abuse of the bowels, by employing drastic purgatives. To avoid all danger, use only Dr. King's New Life Pills, the safe, gentle cleansers and invigorators. Guaranteed to cure headache, biliousness, malaria and jaundice, at L. I. Wood & Co. and Ryan's drugstore. 25c.

### TOWN LINE.

Mrs. L. Mattoon called on old friends here Monday.

Clarence Vorhes works in the beet sugar factory at Caro.

John Hickie spent last Sunday night with his parents here.

Benjamin Hicks has gone to the northern part of the state to hunt deer.

Mrs. Ridley, who has been caring for Mrs. Vern Kyle, returned to her home near Shabbona last Sunday.

The Leek W. C. T. U. meets with Mrs. Howard Retherford next Thursday afternoon, Nov. 21, at 2 o'clock.

The Town Line Ladies' Aid society holds the next meeting at the home of Mrs. Isadore Retherford Wednesday, Nov. 30, for dinner.

Mrs. Loren Mattoon and children, who have been visiting friends here for a few days, left Tuesday morning for their new home at Millersburg.

### CUMBER.

More rain than is needed.

Eva Master has started to school.

Fred Marlin was pressing hay last week.

Sam Gilbert has moved into his new house.

Emma Freiburger is the guest of Dan Carl.

John Peter's children are on the sick list.

John Baker intends to move to Uby next spring.

Wedding bells are ringing south and west of here.

Geo. Schiestel made a business trip to Argyle recently.

Solomon Litt and Irene Beecher were married recently.

Leslie Brown of Cass City is the guest of friends in this vicinity.

Jim Pettinger intends to move into the house vacated by Wm. Lapeer.

Admiral Dewey Hunt and chums called on the Marlin family recently.

Ethel Meddaugh is making an extended stay with her sister, Mrs. Geo Schiestel.

The rural mail carrier is taking a vacation. A. Schiestel is delivering the mail during his absence.

### The New Pure Food and Drug Law

We are pleased to announce that Foley's Honey and Tar for coughs, colds and lung troubles is not affected by the National Pure Food and Drug Law as it contains no opiates or other harmful drugs, and we recommend it as a safe remedy for children and adults. L. I. Wood & Co.

### WILMOT.

Mrs. Fay Putman spent Sunday at the home of her parents.

Mrs. M. W. Mapley of Pontiac is visiting at the home of her parents.

Mrs. Alfred Legg, who has been dangerously ill for some time, is some better.

The wreck on the freight last Friday evening caused quite a stir around town all night.

John A. Barton, superintendent of the Williams Bros.' salting station, was in town Monday.

Mrs. W. Westerby, who has been visiting friends at Colwood, Unionville and Pigeon, returned home Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Jeffery returned to their home in Pontiac Saturday after spending a week with relatives here.

Miss Florence Smith, one of our teachers, was called to her home at Gagetown by the serious illness of her sister, but reported her some better on Monday.

### A Significant Prayer.

"May the Lord help you make Bucklen's Arnica Salve known to all," writes J. G. Jenkins of Chapel Hill, N. C. It quickly took the pain out of a felon for me and cured it in a wonderfully short time." Best on earth for sores, burns and wounds. 25c at L. I. Wood & Co. and Ryan's drug store.

### DEFORD, R. F. D. No. 3.

Mrs. E. C. Clay is some better.

Mrs. Chas. Oesterle is much better. Wellington Steele is drawing home lumber.

Chas. McDermond has gone north hunting.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Donaldson, Nov. 9, a son.

Mr. and Mrs. John M. Reid were visitors in Wilmot Sunday.

Albert Putman is hauling beets for Chas Oesterle and Chas. King.

Chas. Oesterle and Chas. King have their beets all pulled and topped.

Gordon Arbor, A. O. O. G. took in three new members Saturday evening.

James Molonzo and Vern and Lyle Bailey went to Saginaw last Monday.

Chas. Wickware and Elvin Balch left on Monday for a hunting trip up north.

Mrs. Mary Oesterle is spending a week or two visiting her daughter, Mrs. Richard Macky.

Mrs. Rosina Molonzo and daughter, Nancy visited the former's sister, Mrs. E. C. Clay, Sunday afternoon.

Frank Elliott of Kalamazoo, who has been visiting friends here, left for his home on Tuesday. Mrs. Elliott, who has been visiting in Cass City, will meet him in Grand Rapids.

### A Hard Debt to Pay.

"I owe a debt of gratitude that can never be paid off," writes G. S. Clark of Westfield, Iowa, "for my rescue from death, by Dr. King's New Discovery. Both lungs were so seriously affected that death seemed imminent, when I commenced taking New Discovery. The ominous, dry, hacking cough quit before the first bottle was used, and two more bottles made a complete cure." Nothing has ever equalled New Discovery for coughs, colds and all throat and lung complaints. Guaranteed by L. I. Wood & Co. and Ryan's drug store, 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

### KINGSTON.

Wm. Ross transacted business in Monroe last week.

Jas. Torrey of Flint attended the funeral of A. P. Jeffery.

F. D. Woolman of Cass City spent Saturday and Sunday with G. W. Woolman.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Barber and daughter, Edith, are visiting at Rev. E. G. Gordon's.

Mrs. Orville Harris, who has been spending some time in Detroit, returned Saturday.

G. C. Bunston of Toronto, who has been here several days on business, returned to his home last week.

The pupils of the high school gave an entertainment in Burns' opera house which netted them \$27. This is to go to purchase an organ for the high room.

### CARO.

Dr. J. M. Ealy was in Detroit last Friday on business.

Miss Anna Montague spent Monday with friends in Detroit.

George Slocum of Detroit spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Slocum.

Miss Mable McBride of Traverse City is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James McBride.

Mrs. Chas. Dyer has returned from Detroit where she has been taking a course in Lande's Engraving school.

Mrs. James Carpenter of Vassar spent the latter part of last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. McLean.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Montague and Miss Anna Montague leave on Friday for a few days' visit with friends in Ann Arbor and Detroit.

Geo. Bates of Almer brought to the Courier office five potatoes weighing eleven pounds. From one and one-half acres 383 bushels were grown.

### GAGETOWN.

Frank E. Martin was in Cass City on business recently.

Willard Wells is substitute on route four and made several trips the past week.

Mrs. Wm. S. Wilson has been called to Toledo, Ohio, by the serious illness of her father.

Mr. and Mrs. John E. Dillman of Cass City spent Sunday at the latter's parental home here.

Dr. R. N. Brown has located in Little Rock, Ark., for the practice of medicine and surgery.

Mrs. Helen Gage has returned from Saginaw after a week's stay with her daughter, Mrs. H. G. Zerk.

Rev. John Bailey of Uby and his daughter Mrs. Ernest McCann and son, Clinton, of Grand Marais were the guests of Mrs. Maud Wilson a few days this week.

### SHABBONA, ROUTE 1.

Mrs. T. E. Herron is numbered with the sick.

Mrs. G. Willerton visited Mrs. Wm. Bullis last Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Smith are moving to their new home near Sandusky.

Harold, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Bullis, is quite sick at this writing.

Misses Ethel Smith and Bertha Wilkes of Sandusky visited Miss Beatrice Lee last week.

We hear that Miss Josephine Ronson has gone to Marlette where she has secured employment.

We have secured the agency for Orino Laxative Fruit Syrup, the new laxative that makes the liver lively, purifies the breath, cures headache and regulates the digestive organs. Cures chronic constipation. Ask us about it. L. I. Wood & Co.

### RESCUE.

Quite a snowstorm on Monday. Rescue school gives an entertainment on Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Sam Heron is very sick. Dr. A. N. Treadgold is attending her.

Mrs. John Bowen of Lapeer is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. S. Heron.

H. Ensbay and Miss Vera McTash visited friends in Kingston over Sunday.

Mark McKenzie left last week for Jersey City, where his brother, John, is very sick.

About twenty-five of Dola Frasier's young friends gathered at her home Friday evening and spent a few hours in games. Refreshments served at 12 o'clock.

### Do It Better.

Enterprising business men who do "things" better than their competitors succeed in business. This is the secret of the success of The Greening Nursery Co., Monroe, Mich. This firm began doing business in a small way in 1883 and by their push and business ability have built up a business that covers the entire country. They write that the reports published in the daily papers to the effect that the frosts of last fall and this spring had injured nursery stock in the southern part of the state were fictitious and that they will have a complete line of trees, shrubs, plants, roses, etc., for delivery this fall and next spring. They sell thousands of trees in this vicinity.

### REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Allen W. Campfield and wife to Charles W. Campfield n w q of ne q of sec 28 Novesta \$700.

Gilbert Green and wf to Martha E. Plane n h of s h of n h of nw q sec 34 Wells \$325.

Wm. Blackmer and wf to Wm. Robinson nw q of ne q of sec 27 Wells \$1000.

Alice P. Thomas to Christian Volz ne q of ne q of sec 10 Almer \$1200.

Henry T. Brown and wf to George E. Perkins pt ne q of sec 33 Cass City \$1050.

George E. Perkins to Henry T. Brown and wf pt ne q of sec 33 Cass City \$1050.

David H. Mosher and wf to Nora M. Mosher se q of se q of sec 17 Kingston \$1.

Daniel Stevenson and wf to August Dehmel se q of se q of sec 29 Akron \$425.

John C. Smith and wf to Wm. S. Blackmer and wf n h of s h of sw q of sec 5 Koylton \$1000.

Wm. Grant and wf to Ann M. Elliston vil lot 8 blk 6 Vassar \$1000.

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Edwin J. Hovey and wf to Wm. Grant and wf n h of lot 30 blk 6 Vassar, \$75.

Charles Kuck to John Otto sw q of sw q of sec 2 Arbelia \$1250.

Abigail Smith to James Truax fri pt of se q of se q of sec 12 Vassar \$300.

Benj. F. Calkins to Carl F. W. Keira sw q of nw q of sec 14 Arbelia \$1500.

Maria Bellamy et al Francis Blasius e h of se q of sec 21 F. about \$1550.

Thos. J. Clement et al to Celia Snell lot 2 blk 4 Deming's add Cass City \$900.

Ann Chambers to Lewis D. Chambers n 50' of s h of ne q of sec 30 Indianfield \$200.

### MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Peter Hyzer, 26, Columbia  
Emma Rick, 25, Columbia  
George Powell, 24, Wilmet  
Ella Leidke, 18, Moore township  
Claude Crosby, 25, Thomas township  
Maud Harris, 21, Caro

### A Criminal Attack

on an inoffensive citizen is frequently made in that apparently useless little tube called the "appendix." It's generally the result of protracted constipation following liver torpor. Dr. King's New Life Pills regulate the liver, prevent appendixitis and establish regular habits of the bowels. 25c at L. I. Wood & Co. and Ryan's drug store.

### Mortgage Sale.

Whereas, default has been made in the payment of the money secured by a mortgage dated the 2nd day of April in the year 1904 executed by Vernon B. Kille and Mary A. Kille his wife of Kingston, Mich., to W. N. Easton of Jackson, Mich., which said mortgage was recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of the County of Tuscola in Liber 164 of mortgages on page 70 on the 20th day of May in the year 1904 at eleven o'clock a. m., and whereas the amount claimed to be due for principal and interest on said mortgage at the date of this notice is the sum of five hundred three dollars and seventy-five cents (\$503.75) and no suit or proceeding having been instituted at law to recover said sum or any part thereof, whereby the power of sale contained in said mortgage has become operative.

Now therefore notice is hereby given that by virtue of said power of sale and in pursuance of the statute in such case made and provided the said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of premises therein described at public auction to the highest bidder at the front door of the court house in the village of Caro in Tuscola County, Michigan (that being the place where the circuit court is held) on the 3rd day of January A. D. 1908, at one o'clock in the afternoon to satisfy the amount due as aforesaid with interest then accrued at the rate of six per cent (6 per cent) per annum together with the expenses of such foreclosure and sale including an attorney fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00); which said premises are described as follows: The southeast quarter (1/4) of the southeast quarter (1/4) of section four (4) township two (2) north or range eleven (11) east in the township of Kingston, Tuscola County, Michigan, containing forty acres more or less.

Dated September 28th, 1907.  
W. N. EASTON,  
Attorney for Mortgagee.  
Business Address, Bad Axe, Michigan.  
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### Order of Hearing.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, County of Tuscola, ss.  
At a session of the Probate Court for said county, held at the Probate office in the Village of Caro on the 19th day of October in the year one thousand nine hundred and seven.  
Present, John M. Smith, Judge of Probate.  
In the matter of the estate of Angus McPhail, deceased.  
On reading and filing the petition, duly verified, of Archie McPhail, son of said deceased, praying this court to adjudicate and determine who were at the time of his death the legal heirs of said deceased and entitled to inherit the real estate of which said deceased died seized. It is ordered that Monday the 18th day of November next at 10 o'clock in the forenoon at the Probate office be assigned for hearing said petition.  
And it is further ordered that a copy of this order be published in the Cass City Chronicle a newspaper printed and circulated in said county, three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing.  
JOHN M. SMITH,  
Probate Seal. 10-23-4 Judge of Probate.

## The Montana Mutual Mining Co.

Mines near Butte, Montana

Incorporated Capital \$100,000.00 Under Laws of Montana

Assay Sept. 23, 1907

By Harbaugh & Stevenson, of Goldfield, Nevada

Gold, Oz. Silver, Oz. Copper, Per Cent Total Value

0.15 69.2 44.3 184.34

We are not a Prospect  
We certainly have the Ore.

We have FIVE TUNNELS BEGUN on our forty acres of mineral land. One is now over four hundred feet. We have plenty of water and timber. We are near the smelters. We can ship ore one day and have cash the next for it. We want money to complete buildings and buy teams. We still have some stock left which we offer at the extremely low price of

10 Cents a Share

\$50.00 buys 500 shares; \$100 buys 1000 shares. Stock sold on monthly payments. We are all good business men. Look us up.

Write us for Prospectus and Statistics on Mining

C. H. SEELEY, President.

N. E. MALLAHAN, Sec. and Treas.

Reference: The Home Savings Bank, Toledo, O.

THE MONTANA MUTUAL MINING CO.

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## Desperate Coughs

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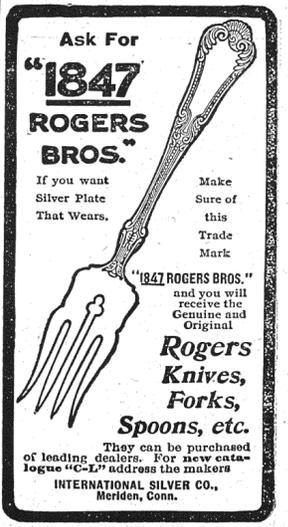
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# SAN FRANCISCO HAS BUBONIC PLAGUE

MORE THAN HALF OF THE PATIENTS DIED—SEATTLE ALSO HAS SEVERAL CASES.

## DISEASE IS SPREADING.

Plague Twice Wrought Havoc in Europe—Killed One Million People in Europe—Fears of Spread to Eastern Cities.

The bubonic plague, which was discovered in San Francisco's Chinatown two months ago, has spread so that at the last formal report there were 73 cases, 37 deaths, 17 recoveries. At Seattle there were half a dozen fatal cases.

The San Francisco officials found themselves unable to cope with the situation, and asked the aid of the United States government. They now find it difficult to pay the \$30,000 a month necessary to do the city's share of the work, and they want the government to finance that, too.

Though only meager reports have been sent out from San Francisco, it is known that the California authorities have been greatly agitated. It is feared that the epidemic will spread to cities farther east. For this reason it is contended that the United States government is directly interested and ought to lend its aid.

### The Bubonic Plague.

The Oriental, Levantine or bubonic plague exists in two principal forms, the mild plague and the severe epidemic plague. It is the latter that is so virulently fatal. It flourishes most readily in warm, moist climates outside of the tropics, spreading through conditions of poverty, dirt, and bad sanitation. The bacteria are now believed to be carried by the common rat, thus accounting for its immense spread.

### LOTS OF CASH.

New York Banks Now Able to Help Crop Moving.

Practically all the New York banks now are sending cash into the south and west to facilitate the movement of crops. One large institution, with several thousand correspondents, has sent one-quarter of its resources to help move the cotton crop.

Talking with a treasury official in Washington a number of bankers assured him that the financial situation is very noticeably improved. The money stringency is gradually relaxing. The demand on the part of the banks for additional circulation continues unabated and the amounts already shipped from Washington having a marked influence in relieving the present stringency.

The fact that practically \$60,000,000 in currency disappeared from the New York banks within a week is considered sufficient evidence that the New York banks are doing their best to meet the great demands upon them. While the treasury department has not decided as yet to undertake any criminal prosecutions in connection with the original causes of the money trouble, it is declared that the two men they are said to be investigating especially were officers, one in each, of the Mercantile and National Bank of America.

### Kaiser Wants to See Taft.

Emperor William will see Secretary Taft in Osborne house, Isle of Wight, during the former's visit to England. A message conveying this wish was sent through the German embassy at Washington. Taft also will seek an audience of King Edward, as to visit the German emperor on British soil without visiting the king might be regarded as discourteous.

So much has been said about Mr. Taft planning to see the emperor that some of the other governments have seemingly become curious as to what is up, if anything. Ambassadors Bryce and Jusserand, it is said, already have made inquiries in Washington, and it is asserted that there is a feeling at the foreign offices of London and Paris that Mr. Taft would be slighting King Edward and President Fallieres if he does not ask to see them on his way home, or if he stopped only in St. Petersburg and Berlin.

While there, Secretary Taft will be given a dinner by Ambassador Tower, at which he will meet Chancellor von Buelow, Gen. von Moltke and Foreign Secretary von Schoen. On the Isle of Wight the Kaiser will give a dinner luncheon in his honor.

### Picture of Washington.

Through the instrumentality of Hon. R. W. Austin, United States consul at Glasgow, a portrait, supposed to be that of George Washington, and possibly the first extant, will shortly be brought to this country and hung upon the walls at Mount Vernon. The announcement of the loan was made Friday at the home of Mrs. Orla B. Taylor, by the state regent, Mrs. E. B. A. Rathbone, of this city.

The picture in question hangs in the People's palace in Glasgow, under the title "Unknown." The story goes that it was the property of Hon. Robert Dinwiddie, at one time a colonial governor of Virginia, and that when he returned to Scotland he took it with him.

Mr. and Mrs. William Parmelee, of Hilliards, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary Wednesday. Sixty-two relatives and friends were guests.

In the damage suit of Peter Forster against Dr. I. E. Randall, of Bay City, for \$10,000 damages because of alleged malpractice, the jury was out 23 and a half hours without being able to reach an agreement. Four of the members voted on every one of the 100 ballots taken in favor of a verdict of no cause of action. The case was on trial all week and grew out of treatment to a broken leg.

# Jasper Price's Corner Lot

By FRANK H. SWEET.  
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"I's done wid you, Jasper Price! Yes, sah, I's done wid you for good an' all!"

A woman's voice rose, loud and shrill, from a little tumbledown cabin by a Georgia roadside. Evidently the person addressed had no response to make, for after a little silence the woman's voice rose again.

"I jes' wants you to pack your traps an' c'lar out, Jasper Price! An' don't, you nebber show your face heah no mo' long ez you lib an' breathe! I wants jes' zackly what I sez, an' I doan' want to fin' you heah w'en I comes back from de spring!"

A moment later a short, solidly built elderly black woman came from the cabin, holding a tin pail in each hand, and hurried away toward a little spring in a ravine some distance from the house.

Her face was both wrathful and tearful, and she had a worn, tired look. A flapping old calico bonnet, drooping about her face, added to her dejected appearance.

A few minutes after she had left the house a black man not much taller than the woman, but stouter and



"I JES' WANTS YOU TO PACK YOUR TRAPS AN' CLAR OUT!"

slightly gray, came out of the cabin and walked slowly and with an evident attempt at dignity down the dusty road.

In one hand he carried a small bundle tied up in a faded red cotton handkerchief and in the other a cane, curiously carved, of a piece of gnarled wood. A green cotton bag was on his back, and within it could be seen the outline of a violin.

It was Jasper Price who had at last been stung to take this well deserved rebuke from his wife in earnest.

Jasper had been born with a constitutional tendency toward slothfulness, which his will power was quite too weak to overcome.

His wife, on the other hand, was a very industrious and energetic woman. She worked early and late, providing by far the greater part of the support of their large family of children. She had provided for her husband's wants as well until her patience had been quite exhausted by several weeks of needless idleness on Jasper's part.

There had been a most vigorous outpouring of wrath, ending with this command to "c'lar out for good an' all!"

But she did not suppose he would take her at her word and go.

"Dar ain't no sich good luck for me as dat," she said when she returned to the cabin and found that Jasper was not there. "He'll be back 'bout supper time. Maybe he'll lay out ontill he gets uncommon hungry, but he'll come back home den, sho' 'nough. I c'lar if I ain't a mind nebber to give him anudder bit to eat!"

She had no opportunity to refuse him food. He did not come back to ask for it. He did not come back at all. Days, weeks and months passed without a word of tidings of Jasper from any quarter.

His wife, kindly at heart, though overworked and worried, began to reproach herself. She discovered in her memory traits of excellence in her husband's character for which she had never before given him credit.

"I reckon I was too ha'sh wid him," she said. "He comes f'm a lazy family. His daddy bef' him was too lazy for to draw his bef', an' some t'ink he died on dat 'count. I reckon Jasper's no 'countness was bawn in 'im, an' I done driv 'im 'way for what he couldn't hep!"

She found excuses to talk about him. "He was mighty willin' an' 'bligin' 'bout some t'ings," she told a neighbor. "He'd ten' to de baby by de tour. He'd allers carry home de washin' I done fo' de ladies in de town, an', my, couldn't he play de fiddle beautiful! Dar ain' nobody roun' heah dat

could bring out 'Money-musk' and 'De Swanee Ribber' an' git out'n de way 'Ole Dan Tucker' like Jasper could. I done miss his fiddle a-jigglin' 'way out on de po'ch ob a summer even'."

Four months after Jasper's departure from home a stout, travel stained black man, slightly gray, walked slowly and wearily up the trail leading to a new and promising Rocky mountain mining camp.

He carried a little bundle tied up in a red cotton handkerchief. The outlines of a violin could be traced within a green cotton bag on his back, and he gave his name, at the mouth of a shaft where he stopped to get a drink of water, as Jasper Price.

"Well, old partner," said the man who gave him the drink of water, "you look as if you had walked all the way from Georgia."

"You done struck pretty close to de trefw, sah," said Jasper ruefully. "I's walked many weary miles ob de way, an' I'd 't done walked de hull of it ef it hadn't 'a' been for dis yer fiddle."

He had heard wild stories of the ease and quickness with which fortunes were made in this mining camp, and in his simplicity he almost expected to find nuggets of gold and silver unregarded on the streets.

He found quite a different state of things. People here had to work hard for their living, as elsewhere, only the reward of energy and industry was perhaps larger and more prompt than in the older parts of the country.

Jasper could get no farther, and presently he found himself possessed of some share of the restless energy of the people around him. His dormant powers seemed to be aroused by the spirit of activity that was in the crisp and exhilarating mountain air.

No one could be supinely idle long in such a place as this great mining camp. Jasper was soon busy with ax and saw and hammer, putting up a little cabin for himself on a corner lot he had staked out as his own.

When the cabin was done Jasper nailed a pine board over the door on which was the one word "LAWNDRY." He could not read or write, but he had induced an acquaintance among the miners to paint his sign for him.

In his spasmodic hours of industry when at home Jasper used to help his wife with her daily washings and ironings and had in this way acquired something of the wonderful skill that had given her the reputation of being the finest laundress in all the country roundabout her home.

Since Jasper did not know how to do anything else, and as there was a great demand for the one industry in which he had some skill, he had resolved to open a laundry.

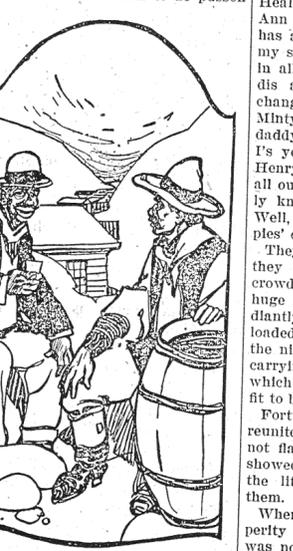
His success was great and immediate. There were as yet in the camp very few women, and the prejudice against Chinamen was so great that it was not safe for one of that race to come into camp.

Before the end of the first week Jasper was so overwhelmed with work that he hired a poor boy who had strayed into the camp as an assistant. Another helper was needed early in the second week and still a third before the month was done.

Jasper had a flourishing business and found it necessary to enlarge his shanty. He developed a capacity for business that he himself had never suspected.

His industry increased with his success. There was plenty of money in the camp, and it was not long before Jasper was possessed of ten times as much money as he had ever seen before. Moreover, his head was not turned by his success.

He had a queer habit of going about chuckling to himself and saying: "I mus' write a lettah one of dese days—for a fac', I mus'. HI! I bet hit'll be a mighty welcome lettah to de pusson



HE STOPPED TO GET A DRINK OF WATER, what gits hit kase of what'll go along wid hit. Oh, I's gwine write a lettah by'n by, 'deed I is!"

Even tempered as he had been in the midst of steadily increasing prosperity, Jasper almost lost his head when he was one day offered \$5,000 for his corner lot. It was needed for a business block.

So fast had the town grown and so speedy and great had been the rise in real estate that Jasper's lot had become so valuable as this in less than three months. Fearing a possible decline in values, Jasper prudently sold his lot and removed his laundry.

It was then that he wrote his letter, or, rather, had it written for him. Among his patrons was a young lawyer who had befriended Jasper upon his first arrival in the camp and who

had taken an interest in him afterward. It was this friend to whom Jasper applied when he was ready to have the letter written, and the lawyer kept his secret.

It was a month after the letter had been sent that the crowd which always assembled to await the arrival of the stagecoaches which came together from the slowly approaching line of railroad in the valleys below noted the restlessness and peculiar actions of Mr. Jasper Price, who was by far the most prominent figure in the throng.

Newly shaven and spotlessly clean, he was arrayed in a shining suit of black and wore a glossy high silk hat. He had given a bootblack 25 cents for an extra shine on his large shoes. His wide expanse of white shirt front shone in the sunshine, and upon it



"JINNY, HEAR I IS!"

were a huge breastpin of red and green glass and a gorgeous necktie of blue and yellow.

On his hands were his gloves of a saffron hue, while a watch chain of mighty and shining links was stretched across his waistcoat front.

His black face was beaming with kindly smiles, and he frequently chuckled softly to himself as he moved around restlessly in the crowd.

His excitement grew intense when some one called out, "There they come!" and a great cloud of dust arose at one end of the long, stony street.

The second of the two coaches bore such a load as it had never before carried. The driver, with his hand at the side of his mouth, had told the "boys" as he came up that all Africa had "broke loose."

At the side of the driver sat a short, well knit, dust covered negro woman, with a black and happy baby in her lap. Her face was wreathed in smiles as she looked down on the crowd, and a great responsive shout came from her lips when Uncle Jasper called out: "Jinny, hear I is! Doan' you see me, Jinny?"

From every window and door of the coach grinning black heads of all sizes and ages and in all sorts of caps and hats and bonnets were now thrust with cries of "Daddy! Daddy! We's come, daddy! Heah we is, daddy!"

"Hit's my family!" cried Jasper as he pushed his way through the crowd. "Dem's my folks in dat stage. Halla-looer!"

Down and out they came into his outstretched arms.

"Glory!" he cried. "You's all heah! Heah's Jacky an' Lotty an' Libberty Ann an' Ab'aham! Laws, how dey has all growed! An' de baby! Bless my soul, I'd nebbar knowed dat chille in all dis washin'—he's growed so! An' dis ain't Washin'?" How he am changed too! An' heah's Matildy an' Minty Jane! Yo' ain't feared of yer daddy kase he's dressed up so fine! I's yer daddy, all de same! William Henry ain't feared, is yo', boy? Is yer all out? No, dar's little Moses—I hardly knowed de chille—he's got so big! Well, well, well, if dis ain't de happl'es day I eber see!"

They made a queer procession as they walked away from the smiling crowd. Jasper led the way with the huge baby on his shoulder. His radiantly happy wife walked by his side loaded with baskets and bundles, while the nine older children followed, each carrying a pot or a pan or a teakettle which their mother had foolishly seen fit to bring all the way from Georgia.

Fortunate days had dawned for the reunited family. Jasper's industry did not flag, and he and his thrifty wife showed great good sense in the use of the little fortune that had come to them.

When the decline of the camp's prosperity came and the laundry business was no longer profitable they went to fertile valleys below and bought a ranch, that their numerous boys and girls might be trained to habits of industry.

Vanity, Saith the Preacher. During the French revolution a priest rode in a tumbrel to the guillotine with two persons—one a marquis, the other a common thief.

As the car jolted through the crowded streets the citizens shouted maledictions on its occupants.

"Down with the beasts of the aristocracy!" they cried.

The marquis smiled proudly, but the criminal was vexed.

"My good friends," he cried, "I am no aristocrat. I am a thief."

Then the priest touched his arm gently, murmuring: "Ah, my son, this is no time for vanity."—Woman's Home Companion.

## COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

Council Rooms, Cass City, Mich., Oct. 21, 1907.

Regular meeting of the council called to order by President Corkins. The following trustees were present: Striffler and Caldwell.

No quorum being present, on motion of Caldwell, seconded by Striffler, council adjourned until Wednesday evening, Oct. 23, 1907.

H. F. LENZNER, Clerk.

Council Rooms, Cass City, Mich., Oct. 23, 1907.

Adjourned meeting of the council called to order by President Corkins.

The following trustees were present: Striffler, Wilsey, Hall and Benkelman. The minutes of the previous meetings were read, corrected and approved.

Trustee Caldwell took his seat at this time.

The following bills were read and referred to the committee on claims and accounts:

What Cheer Coal Mining Co., Inv. 10-9	\$ 50.95
M. E. Austin & Co., Inv. 9-30	4.31
Westinghouse Electric and Mfg. Co., Inv. 10-5	40.05
Frank C. Teal Co., Inv. 9-6	69.44
National Carbon Co., Inv. 9-28	23.75
Kelley Foundry and Machine Co., Inv. 10-3	28.88
Monarch Telephone Mfg. Co., Inv. 10-11	6.00
P. O. & N. R. R. Co., freight on coal	79.84
Edward Pinney, surety bond for commissioner	3.00
Wm. Morris, marshal's salary 6 mo.	25.00
City Block, telephone office rent	37.50
F. R. Smithson, freight and cartage	5.10
Bertha Zinnecker, salary	10.00
Anna Zinnecker, salary	5.00
Merle Gale, salary	5.00
Alex Vyse, labor	27.00
Jos. Wolosky, labor	30.00
Stanley Graham, labor	12.75
S. E. Padfield, salary and sundries	103.25
Cass City Grain Co., cement sewer pipe	390.68
Peter McVannel, hauling coal	34.32
M. Seeger, gravel and filling	43.75
Wm. Ball, labor	20.00
W. C. Dickinson, drayage	5.05
Daniel Leitich, labor	21.00
J. Zinnecker, labor	18.37
Chas. Warn, labor	10.50
Henry Ball, special police	6.00

The committee reported favorably on all bills as read. Moved by Caldwell, seconded by Benkelman, that the report of the committee be accepted and that orders be drawn on the treasurer for the several amounts. Carried.

The following bills for cement walks were read:

Chas. D. Striffler	\$26.01
Elizabeth McLean	23.76
B. F. Benkelman	52.02

The clerk was instructed to turn the bills over to the treasurer for collection.

On motion of Wilsey, seconded by Caldwell, council adjourned.

H. F. LENZNER, Clerk.

Council Rooms, Cass City, Mich., Nov. 4, 1907.

Regular meeting of the council called to order by the president.

No quorum being present, on motion of Hall, seconded by Benkelman, council adjourned until Wednesday evening, Nov. 6, at 7:30 o'clock.

H. F. LENZNER, Clerk.

Council Rooms, Cass City, Mich., Nov. 6, 1907.

Adjourned meeting of the council called to order by President Corkins.

The following trustees were present: Striffler, Wilsey, Hall and Benkelman. The minutes of the previous meetings were read and approved.

The following bills were read and referred to the committee on claims and accounts:

Frank C. Teal Co., Inv. 10-11 and 15	\$70.00
Electric Appliance Co., Inv. 10-15	4.55
What Cheer Coal Mining Co., Inv. 10-17, 19, 29	221.55
Stromberg-Carlson Tel. Mfg. Co., Inv. 10-15	63.00
The North Electric Co., Inv. 10-14	30.10
Cass City Grain Co., coal	95.12
P. O. & N. R. R. Co., freight on coal	95.00
Ankettell Lumber Co., Inv. 10-6	62.85
Peter McVannel, hauling coal	26.40
Edw. Ryan, blue vitrol	.50
Alex Vyse, labor	25.85
John Scriber, labor	11.25
J. S. Wolosky, labor	19.25
Bertha Zinnecker, salary	10.00
Anna Zinnecker, salary	5.00
Merle Gale, salary	5.00
Elias Killins, salary	40.00
John Dickinson, salary	35.00
D. Leitch, labor	19.25
J. Zinnecker, labor	19.25
Chas. Warn, labor	14.00
Wm. Ball, labor	11.00
R. Clarke, team work	5.00
A. D. Gillies, labor	9.63
M. Seeger, filling and grout	41.75
Angus McGillvray, salary	31.25
Ed Kissane, draying	2.75
L. I. Wood & Co., sundries	4.00
F. R. Smithson, freight and cartage	4.28

The committee reported favorably on all bills as read. Moved by Benkelman, seconded by Hall, that the report be accepted and that orders be drawn on the treasury for the several amounts. Carried.

The report of Commissioner Padfield for the month of October was read. On motion of Benkelman, seconded by Wilsey, the report was received and placed on file.

On motion of Wilsey, seconded by Hall, council adjourned.

H. F. LENZNER, Clerk.

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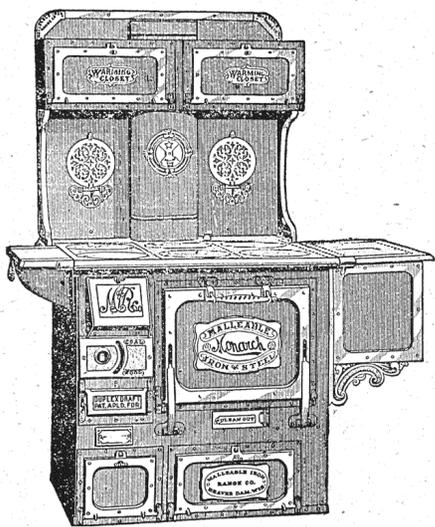
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### U. C. T. U. Column

Meetings of Union on third Friday of every month at residences of members.

In view of our existing laws against furnishing tobacco to minors, we are curious to know by what right certain firms or individuals distribute at the door of every residence a sample "plug" of chewing tobacco, as was done last week in our town. These packages were gathered by small boys and those who were too nice or too well feared to use the vile stuff, generously donated their package to the boy who would. This matter should be investigated.

Secretary Taft has recently made a notable deliverance in favor of total

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### THUMB NOTES.

It is amusing to see a young man stick out his breast and walk straight as an arrow if a girl happens to look at him from across the street. He thinks she is stuck on him, when ten to one she is laughing in her sleeve at his noddle up around his ears or his socks down over his shoes.

It is reported that a certain editor in Tuscola county is laid up with a sore head. He wrote a nice local about a man who was sick and said he had been sleeping too close to a window. The printer who set the type made the item read "sleeping too close to a widow," and the man went after the editor with a club.

During the past few weeks the newspapers have been full of articles concerning banks—a run on a bank here, another there. Now, we do not recall ever making a run on any bank—editors seldom do. Of course, we've had a few bank cashiers make runs on us. Sometimes they had to "run" more than once before they got it, and the draft wasn't large either.—North Branch Gazette.

One of our citizens, who was in the habit of chewing 20c worth of tobacco a week, recently made up his mind to quit. The first two weeks he used \$1.50 worth of cure, and during the next two weeks he chewed 5c worth of gum, ate 5c worth of candy, 5c worth of peanuts and 5c worth of gum drops a day. During the last two weeks he had also consumed two large rubber erasers, ate the rubber tips from 14 lead pencils and chewed up a dozen pen holders. He also browsed off his mustache as far as he could reach. He is again chewing tobacco—it's cheaper.—Millington Gazette.

Walford Turner is the Sampson of Brown City and his strength is not all in his hair, but in his brawny hands and arms. On a wager with one of the section hands one day last week, he lifted a steel rail which weighed about 750 pounds, but in doing so, slipped in some way and fell, bringing the heavy bar down across his body and only for the timely aid of section boss, Samuel George, and others the life would have been crushed out of him. Walford will no doubt be more careful of his footing in the future, when he is competing with Sampson for the championship.—Brown City Banner.

A farmer near Sebawaing couldn't imagine what malady had attacked his geese. Their legs would not support them and several of them were given up as dead. Goose feathers are worth something and the time to pluck a goose is when the body is still warm. So the farmer's wife got busy. One goose was nearly undressed when it wiggled and began cackling indignantly. The astonished woman dropped it and it waddled out the kitchen door, followed by its suddenly revived sisters. The geese had eaten pulp from an elder press and were on an apple-jack spree.—Sebawaing Blade.

E. B. Clark, for the past three and a half years editor of the Capac News, has given up the unprofitable task of running the second newspaper in a one paper town and has accepted a position in a newspaper office in Mason. For this week at least the Journal will have the newspaper field all to itself. Brother Hunter of the Journal is giving the citizens of Capac a clean, newsy, neatly printed paper, which is a credit to the town as well as to himself, and it seems to us that now would be a good time for the business men of Capac to insist that one paper is sufficient for a one-paper town and give that one good paper a liberal support, rather than to have two half-starved sickly-looking sheets striving to eke out an existence with the inevitable result that the weaker one will eventually be forced to succumb.—Inlay City Record.

### ARGYLE.

Chas. McCarty has sold his farm to his brother, Jerry.

Clement Tyo spent Sunday at his home in Cass City.

Mr. Gibson of Uby transacted business in town Monday.

Miss Tillie Deam of Moore was a guest at the home of S. W. Striffler on Monday.

Mrs. A. A. Wheeler, who has been in poor health, went to a hospital in Port Huron last week.

Capt. Deam of Moore and J. McDonald of Sandusky spent a few days hunting in this vicinity.

Mrs. Schmidt of Cass City, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. J. Hutson, called on friends in town last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Perkins and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Darr were in Cass City Sunday. Mr. Darr took the train on Monday and will hunt in the north woods for a week or ten days.

### How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.  
E. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.  
We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligations made by him.  
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Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O.  
Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Testimonials sent free. Price 75 cents per bottle. Sold by all Druggists.  
Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

### Correspondence

#### NOVESTA.

The Gleaner hall is nearly done.

Mr. Sweet will soon move into his new house.

John Slack is working on an addition to his house.

Mrs. Phillips is able to walk with the aid of crutches.

M. A. Snover has his barn up and hastening to completion.

Cold weather coming and farmers not ready—same old story

C. E. held their monthly social at the home of B. Hicks Tuesday evening.

Thanksgiving supper at George Collins' the night before Thanksgiving. All are invited.

The church will make no effort to collect the balance of the subscription to raise the debt on the new church this fall.

Miss Anna Crawford returned to her work in Mrs. McGillvray's millinery shop in Cass City Monday, after two weeks at home because of blood poison in her fingers.

If, as our Deford brother says, visiting on Sunday is but the trifling sin of America, we suggest that America should get on her knees. "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy."

#### This Is Worth Remembering

As no one is immune, every person should remember that Foley's Kidney Cure will cure any case of kidney or bladder trouble that is not beyond the reach of medicine. L. I. Wood & Co.

#### ELMWOOD.

Thos. Wood is working for J. Dodge.

Corliss King is working for R. Webster.

M. R. King has ordered a new corn husker.

A. T. Hiser took a load of goods to Vassar Tuesday.

H. Renwick has moved into the Lockwood house.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Spaven visited relatives in Cass City Sunday.

Henry and Lawrence Dodge are hunting deer in the north woods.

Miss Bertha Medcalf of Ellington spent Sunday at D. E. Turner's.

Miss Mattie Leach is home from Almer where she has been for some time.

R. Odell has moved onto his place which he purchased of L. H. Huffman recently.

Those that attended the party at Wald's hall last Friday night report a fine time.

One of Wm. Shay's cattle was drowned in a well in the pasture field last week.

A. A. Hargrave has returned from Detroit, instead of to Detroit as stated last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Doc Hiser returned to Detroit Saturday after spending a couple of weeks visiting friends and relatives here and at Ellington.

#### McHUGH.

Quite a snow storm Monday.

Mr. Napier is visiting in Amadore. Mrs. J. Agar is visiting in Caro for a few days.

Will Darling returned home from Caro Monday.

We are glad to hear that S. Mitchell is convalescent.

John Sandham passed through here enroute for Shabbona recently.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Colwell visited Mr. and Mrs. Rice Saturday and Sunday.

#### SCHOOL NOTES.

'Rah for the snow!

Anna Brooks entered school Monday.

Motto: Kind words bring back kind echoes.

The algebra class is studying the removal of parenthesis.

Eva Wheaton has started to school again after an absence of several weeks.

The first grade is memorizing "The first Thanksgiving," and also "The pumpkin."

The seventh and eighth grades put some fine pictures of the heart in the specimen book Friday.

Among those who visited school last week are Sylvia Coulter, Anna Brooks, Mr. McAllister and John Sandham.

We are going to have a debate on Wednesday, Nov. 27, on the subject "Resolved, that the country has more advantages than the city."

#### WICKWARE.

A. Sansburn is on the sick list.

Threshers are busy threshing beans in this vicinity.

Harry Bigham of Argyle attended church here Sunday.

A. Durkee purchased a cow from E. Hartwick last week.

Mrs. Thos. Hartwick was the guest of Mrs. J. Gordon Sunday.



## Specials

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**Saturday, Nov. 9**

And as long as they last.

Boy's 40c Sweaters 25c  
Boy's 50c Sweaters 45c  
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THE general conditions of the county were never better than right now, with top prices on all farm products, labor fully employed at good wages and business generally in good shape. Confidence is restored and we do not expect the present conditions to last any length of time, and to convince you that you can buy things right, we quote you a few prices.

A heavy Knit Fascinator 45c, worth 50c.  
A line of Children's Coats, 2 to 12 years, from \$1.00 to \$7.50. This is about 25 per cent less than can be bought elsewhere.

Ladies' \$5.00 Silk Waists for \$3.75 and \$4.00.  
Cream Brilliantine Waists for 79c to \$3.00.  
Our line of Ladies' Coats and Furs is still complete.

All Dress Skirts at a bargain.  
A few pairs of Men's Kersey Pants at \$1.25, worth \$1.75 and \$2.00.

Cottonade Pants at 85c, worth \$1.00.  
A good line of Men's, Boys' and Children's Sweaters.  
See our line of Men's, Ladies' and Children's Shoes before you buy.  
Also our line of Felts, Rubbers, etc.

For Saturday, Nov. 16, a line of 50c Dress Goods for 39c.

## A. A. HITCHCOCK,

Opera House Block.

Coons are looking after fat turkeys. Thanksgiving not far off.

Roy Brown of Cumber made a business trip to Argyle Tuesday.

Angus McPhail of Argyle passed through this vicinity Monday.

Hazel Brown of Cumber was the guest of Ziza Sansburn Sunday.

Hattie Brown of Cumber was the guest of Ethel Gibbons Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Gibbons are visiting friends in Valley Center this week.

Dollie McTavish of Hay Creek was the guest of Flossie Durkee Sunday.

Leslie Brown of Cass City spent Saturday and Sunday with friends in Cumber.

Chester Pettinger and Miss Gilbert, both of Cumber, attended church here Sunday.

Everyone works at the Wickware school. Miss — makes everyone toe the mark.

Services next Sunday morning at the usual hour, eleven o'clock. Everyone invited.

Richard Edgerton is getting jerked around some lately breaking up a new piece of ground.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Fulcher and Mrs. G. Brown were the guests of Mrs. W. Bennett Sunday.

Mrs. Chas. Williamson and Mrs. Canfield of Gagetown were the guests of Mrs. R. Edgerton Sunday.

Ladies' Aid met at Mrs. J. Jackson's Wednesday. A large crowd was present and a good time reported by all.

A few of the farmers near Wickware need to hustle up and get their sugar beets out or Jack Frost will get them.

#### DEFORD, ROUTE 1.

Someone has moved into S. Pratt's house.

Miss Eva Churchill is home from Detroit.

George Warner owns a new Edison phonograph.

John Pringle's have been entertaining company the past few weeks.

Miss Grace White is here assisting her mother with the work at Mr. Palmateer's.

Lost—On the roadside by the old Vance place, two tie straps and one side check. Finder please notify George Warner, two miles east of Deford, and receive reward for trouble.

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