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Suit and Overcoat Sale

Commences January 4, 1908

and for 30 days. Every suit and overcoat in our large stock is being offered at bona-fide discounts. Cash only.

The Real Thing

Bargain sales, annual sales, inventory sales, and going out of business sales are of weekly occurrence and each of them gives to the buyer some really desirable offerings and many offerings that are desirable only in imagination. J. D. Crosby & Son have indulged but very little along this line in the past and will not overdo it in the future, but when we do have a sale, it will be a bona-fide mark-down sale and the marking down will be done before the goods have been marked up. This is a principle we have started to establish and the people are not at all slow in catching on as the throngs in our store bear evidence.

10%
to
25%
Dis-
count

As to Profits

Some of our competitors seem to be much exercised on account of our inability to make a profit at the prices for which we are selling goods. We want them and the public to understand that we are under circumstances willing to sacrifice our profit and our word is good. The circumstances are that we are stocked up with suits and overcoats and rather than carry our stock over we prefer to sacrifice our profit and be in shape for a new spring stock. For we are not going out of business.

Give us a trial and be convinced.

J. D. CROSBY & SON,

Cass City's Shoe and Clothing Men.

Now is the time to use a

Good Stock Powder

To keep your stock in good condition; it will make your feed go further and give far better results. We have a variety. Call and see them.

L. I. WOOD & CO., Drugs.

Security Gates

Reduced in price to local farmers

To get our gate in general use throughout this section we will for the present put our 14 ft. Gate out to farmers at \$7.50 at the factory. This gate will admit your widest tools and is the one we are selling mostly wherever we have placed them. Other sizes will be sold at proportionate discount. Every gate guaranteed. We now have a large supply of them on hand but as they will mostly go out in March or April, we would ask that local parties desiring them get supply early.

One price to all. You can get same prices from local dealers.

Security Gate Co.

O. K. JANES, Manager.

TAKING HIS USUAL REST.

Sylvester Larmsuz arrived in town Monday and made unexpected calls on several residents of the village in search of footwear and food. Unlike many men of his profession, Sylvester was quite particular in the selection of his wearing apparel and was not satisfied with the second-hand articles that some of the good housewives offered him. Though not exactly a swell dresser, he believed in getting the best that can be procured in an easy way, and this characteristic of his make-up was nowise hidden either.

After partaking of a hearty supper at the home of a bountiful provider, Larmsuz left town. Complaint was made to Constable Striffler regarding Sylvester's actions and late that evening, by the use of the telephone, Mr. Striffler located his man at the home of a hospitable farmer northeast of town, who had listened to the traveler's tale of woe and promised him a good night's rest.

The same evening Sylvester rested in the village lock-up and Tuesday he appeared before Justice Landon on a charge of vagrancy and received a sentence of 30 days at the county jail. The sentence probably suited the prisoner very well for it was learned at the justice's office that he was accustomed to work in the summer only and spends his winters "resting up."

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

A GOOD CONCERT.

The Sterling Jubilee Singers at the opera house Monday evening gave entire satisfaction to their audience, appearing as the third number on the Citizens' Lecture Course, which has offered a decidedly interesting and entertaining series.

The concert on Monday evening consisted of jubilee choruses, solos, etc., and the last number, "Vogels Waltz," by the entire company, six in number, was beautifully and artistically sung, their voices harmonizing in the most difficult passages. In fact, the entire program was good throughout.

The basso, Mr. Daniels, made a hit in the solo, "Hundred Fathoms Deep" and responded to encores.

The male quartette rendered several fine selections which highly pleased the audience, and they were allowed to retire only after responding to encore after encore.

The attendance at the concert was unusually good.

Sugar Beet Contracts.

Anyone desiring to contract to raise sugar beets in 1908 for Caro factory shall call at McKenzie & Knapp's furniture store. 12-20-13

We have CORN at Deford and Cass City. Bring in your rye and exchange for corn; it will pay you. 12-27- Cass City Grain Co.

ADVERTISING CASS CITY

Security Gates Are Now Sold in Eight States.

Management Is Very Much Encouraged with the Outlook for the Future.

For those not knowing something of the extent of the business being done by the Security Gate Co., who are now manufacturing in Cass City, the very practical and satisfactory "Security Gate," which has been on the market for the past three winters, we have inquired into the matter somewhat of O. K. Janes, the manager, and find that he has the gate in the following states, Michigan, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Wisconsin, New York, Texas and Washington.

It takes but little thought to convince one that this fact alone is advertising Cass City quite extensively. We are also advised that since the company commenced manufacturing the gate, they are now able to make a little closer price to the dealers than when buying them from an Adrian company. They are meeting with very ready sales from customers who have had them every season since they were first put on the market, as well as many new customers. This is evidence, of course, of their pleasing qualities.

The management is very much encouraged with the outlook for the future, as the panic seems to have had no retarding effect on the sale of the goods outside and they expect to add somewhat to the factory force within a short time. It would seem that at the present prices of lumber and the inferior quality at our command, a farmer could much better afford to use one of these all metal gates and not only have something lasting but convenient.

"MERCHANT OF VENICE"

At the Opera House on Friday Evening, January 24.

The English Literature class, assisted by other students, will present the farce, "Merchant of Venice," up-to-date, Friday evening, January 24, in the opera house. Don't fail to encourage home talent, see the comedy and have a good laugh. The farce was arranged and played first by the high school of Cedar Rapids, Iowa. It has been a winner from the first. Big audiences, enthusiastic response, sure returns. Don't let it fail here.

CAST OF CHARACTERS.

Duke of Venice, Clifford Edgerton
Bassanio, Lewis McGeorge
Gratiano, Joseph Benkelman
Antonio, Hubbard Lee
Shylock, Earl McKim
Tubal, Audley Kinnaird
Launcelot Gobbo, Leo Hopps
Prof. Schweigenblumenheimer, Stanley Wickware
Policeman, Lloyd Armstrong
Nerissa, Hazel Campbell
Polly, Mabel Cleland
Jessica, Lillie Copland
Mrs. Gobbo, Nina Karr
Antonio's Mother, Jennie Leek
Miss Abbie S. Thredie, Eddy Mead

Foot ball players and others.

Act I. Street in Venice. Foot ball players' conversation—the billet-doux—obstacles—father's will—borrowing a pony—Shylock's hatred. "But I must to the notary's."

Act II. Room in Portia's house. The severity of the will—Portia's many suitors—Gentleman company—Choice of caskets—Examination. "O, I'll finish it all right, if it don't finish me."

Act III. Shylock's house and yard. Jessica's reverie—Shylock's wooing—Rejected—Launcelot's quandary—Mrs. Gobbo confused—Jessica incarcerated—The note—Preparation for the escape—Bucking his way—Shylock's rage—Launcelot's high jump.

Act IV. Room in Portia's house. Miss Thredie announces the result of the examination. Antonio's plight. Portia's plans—Gentleman announced. "And we are yours."

Act V. Scene 1. Foot ball game—Antonio's arrest—Shylock in trouble. "Let's go and see fair play." Scene 2. Court room. Shylock demands vengeance—Arrival of Nerissa and Portia disguised—Portia interprets the law—The barbarous act—Expert testimony—Shylock's exit—Escape of the prisoner—Revelation of character. Tableaux. Curtain.

Suitable high class music and humor will be given entre acte.

I will do plain sewing at my home, one mile south and two miles east of Cass City. Mrs. F. McGregor.

FORTY-EIGHT HAPPY YEARS.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Mosher of South Novesta celebrated the forty-eighth anniversary of their marriage last Sunday.

They came from near Sarnia, Ont., forty years ago, making the trip overland, and have lived in South Novesta ever since. They are the parents of nineteen children and grandparents of twenty children.

Their children had planned a pleasant surprise for them, but owing to the severe storm that prevailed, they had to postpone it to some future date. They are highly respected old people. Mr. Mosher is seventy-one years of age and his good wife is sixty-six.

They have many friends throughout Tuscola county who wish for them many years more of happiness.

ELKLAND'S TAXPAYERS

Big List of Persons Who Pay More Than \$20.

Taxes Are Being Paid More Promptly and Great Portion of Money Has Been Collected.

G. A. Striffler, treasurer of Elkland township, says that taxes are being paid more promptly this year and a great portion of the money has been collected. The number of taxpayers whose taxes exceed \$20 makes a long list, and the names with the amounts paid by each may be found below. The list is taken from the treasurer's book and the fees have not been added to the amounts. In a few instances, where property has changed hands since the assessment has been made, the amounts may vary from those printed. The list follows:

Oscar Auten.....	\$ 35 94
I. B. Auten.....	277 13
Martin Anthes.....	23 98
Anketell Lumber Co.....	117 57
Andrew Armstrong.....	86 98
A. H. Ale.....	45 39
Agar Bros.....	38 39
Rose Baey.....	20 10
Anna Bird.....	37 26
S. G. Benkelman.....	35 41
A. E. Boulton.....	57 10
Henry Blade.....	47 96
Theo. Burden.....	43 82
J. D. Brooker.....	26 59
N. Bigelow.....	73 59
N. Bigelow & Sons.....	48 00
Jas. Brooker.....	32 99
Fred Bardwell.....	26 42
B. F. Benkelman.....	55 18
John Benkelman.....	106 58
Simeon Bardwell.....	26 28
T. H. Boyd.....	21 89
Bender Bros.....	24 99
R. Clarke.....	33 15
Duncan Crawford.....	21 09
Geo. Clarey.....	66 25
Geo. Charter.....	38 02
John Caldwell.....	23 99
John Copland.....	34 77
Harry Crandall.....	30 23

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UNDERWENT AN OPERATION

Wm. Duffield Had His Leg Amputated Last Week.

Wm. Duffield, who resides in Greenleaf township, underwent a serious operation last week at Pleasant Home hospital, when physicians amputated one of his legs at the knee joint. Dr. D. P. Deming performed the operation and he was assisted by Drs. McLean and King of Caro and Dr. A. N. Treadgold of this place. The patient rallied nicely after the operation and on Tuesday was able to sit up for a few minutes for the first time. The disease from which he has been suffering is of many years' duration and a few weeks ago grew more aggravated and he was brought to the hospital for treatment.

Mr. Duffield is well known among the young people of the village as he attended school here for several years.

Card of Thanks.

We desire to thank the people of Deford for their kindness and assistance they have extended to us during the sickness and death of our wife and daughter.

FRANK L. ROBERTS,
MR. and MRS. P. DAUGHERTY,
Deford, Mich.

Please Settle.

All persons owing me on account are requested to call at my residence and settle same at their earliest convenience. H. L. HUNT. 12-15-

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

INITIATIVE IS ACCEPTED

Constitutional Convention Adopts Hemans Proposal by 45 to 42.

After a four days' fight the constitutional convention late Friday night adopted the Hemans proposal for constitutional initiative and referendum.

It is a matter of close figuring whether the Hemans proposition will carry on second reading. Seven of the nine absentees were classed as opposed to the initiative without legislative supervision. This would give the Hemans proposal 48 votes on second reading and 49 are needed.

HEMANS'S PROPOSAL IN FULL.

Amendments may also be proposed to this constitution by petition of the qualified electors of this state, but no proposed amendments shall be submitted to the electors unless the number of petitioners therefor shall exceed 20 per cent of the total number of electors voting for secretary of state at the preceding election of such officer. All petitions shall contain the full text of the proposed amendments together with any existing provisions of the constitution which would be altered or abrogated thereby. All petitions shall be signed at the regular election places at a regular election under the supervision of two inspectors thereof. The election officials shall verify the genuineness of the signatures and certify the fact that the signers are registered electors of the respective townships and cities in which they reside, and shall forward the petitions to the secretary of state.

All petitions for amendments filed by the secretary of state shall be certified by that official to the legislature at the opening of its next regular session, and when such petitions shall be signed by not less than the required number of petitioners, he shall also submit the proposed amendment to the electors at the first regular election thereafter. The legislature may also submit an alternative proposal on the same subject as provided in section one.

Proposed constitutional amendments shall be printed in full upon a ballot separate and distinct from the ballot containing the names of nominees for office, and, if a majority of the electors qualified to vote for members of the legislature voting thereon shall ratify and approve such amendment or amendments, the same shall become a part of the constitution; provided, that the affirmative vote on such amendment or amendments shall equal at least one-third of the highest number of votes cast at said election for any office.

In case alternative proposals on the same subject are submitted at the same election, the vote shall be for one of such alternative proposals or against the proposals as a whole. If the affirmative vote for one proposal is the required majority of all the votes cast for and against the proposals, it shall become a part of the constitution. If the total affirmative vote for such alternative proposals is the required majority of all the votes for and against the proposals, but no one proposal receives such majority, then the proposal which receives the largest number of affirmative votes shall be submitted at the next regular election and if it receives the required majority of all the votes cast thereon, it shall become a part of the constitution.

NOT MUCH CHANGE IN PRICE

Horses and Cattle About the Same as One Year Ago.

MICHIGAN CROP REPORT.

Lansing, Mich., January 10, 1908. The temperature during December, according to the Michigan State Weather Bureau, was in the upper peninsula 2.6, in the northern counties 2.2, in the central counties 1.8, in the southern counties 1.7 and in the State 2.0 degrees above the normal. The precipitation in the upper peninsula was 0.44 and in the northern counties 0.57 of an inch below the average, in the central counties 1.71, in the southern counties 1.43 and in the State 0.88 inches above the normal.

In answer to the question, "Has wheat during December suffered injury from any cause?" 77 correspondents in the State answer "yes" and 653 "no," and in answer to the question "Has the ground been well covered with snow during December?" 308 correspondents answer "yes" and 451 "no."

The total number of bushels of wheat marketed by farmers in December at 133 flouring mills was 146,860 and at 99 elevators and to grain dealers 96,350, or a total of 243,210 bushels. Of this amount 168,240 bushels were marketed in the southern four tiers of counties, 59,574 in the central counties and 15,396 in the northern counties. The estimated total number of bushels of wheat marketed in the five months, August-December, was 3,625,000.

Eighty mills, elevators and grain dealers report no wheat marketed in December.

The average condition of live stock in the State is reported as follows, comparison being with stock in good, healthy and thrifty condition: Horses and cattle 94, sheep 96, and swine 93.

The average prices January 1 of some of the principal farm products in the markets where farmers usually market such products were as follows: The average price of wheat per bushel was 93c, rye 73c, shelled corn 61c and oats 50c; the average price of hay per ton was \$12.34. The average price of fat cattle was

\$3.58 per cwt., of fat hogs \$4.41 per cwt., and of dressed pork \$6.00 per cwt.

The average price of each class of horses was as follows: Under one year old, \$40.70, between one and two years old \$65.71, between two and three years old, \$97.78, and three years old and over \$131.99.

Milch cows were worth \$34.64 per head. Cattle other than milch cows, under one year old, were worth per head \$10.05, between one and two years old, \$16.93, between two and three years old, \$25.79, and three years old and over \$33.18.

The average price of sheep under one year, was \$3.85, and one year old and over \$4.85; hogs not fattened were worth \$3.83 per cwt.

The prices given are for the state. The price of wheat is 21 cents, rye 14 cents, corn 13 cents, oats 16 cents and hay \$1.21 higher than one year ago.

The prices of all grades of horses, milch cows and cattle other than milch cows are about the same as one year ago, while the prices of sheep one year old and over, hogs not fattened, hogs fattened and dressed pork are considerably lower than on January 1, 1907.

GEORGE A. PRESCOTT,
Secretary of State.

THUMB NOTES.

Two of Caro's citizens are candidates for the appointment as postmaster: Orla Patterson, supervisor of Indianfields, and Fred Slocum, the present incumbent.

Dr. Harvey L. Morris has received the appointment as one of the members of the county board of pension examiners, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of the doctor's father, the late Dr. Richard Morris, who for many years was a member of this board—Vassar Pioneer.

A Good Position.

An up-to-date Health and Accident Insurance Company desires a district manager for this vicinity. Experience unnecessary. Must give good references. Address Box 1117 Benton Harbor, Michigan.

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



Hair Is Now Dressed in Many New Ways

The hair is now being dressed with less width from side to side and more height in the center, a hint particularly valuable to the moon-faced girl, who ought not to increase the width of her face by puffing her hair out unduly above her ears.

Fascinatingly pretty as the curl is, it is by no means surprising that it should maintain its supremacy, though it need not be the sole motif of a chevelure design. Puffs and the plait are mingled in elegant confusion, and the wave that is required is the heavy Marcel ondulé.

Girls of about 16 who have not yet reached the age of putting their hair up are wearing it parted and caught together in festoons or curtains upon the brow, to use an old-fashioned expression in connection with this form of dressing.

In some cases the hair is plaited at the back and looped in the nape of the neck beneath a huge ribbon bow, black for the blonde girl, and chocolate for the nut-brown maid. Otherwise the front hair is drawn to the back beneath the restraining influence of a comb and the tresses are allowed to flow carelessly over the shoulders.

Individual fancy is able to run riot this winter over any number of possible decorations for the hair. There are beautiful combs being sold at all prices, from those of dark or blonde tortoiseshell powdered, latticed and festooned with diamonds to the Spanish ones that are so fashionable damascened in gold upon Toledo steel.

At night wreaths of skeleton leaves in gold, silver or steel make a very pretty decoration, and the large single gold or silver rose with foliage to match is justifiably patronized on account of its beauty and its becoming attributes to women of all ages.

The softly waving plume of cut ostrich and marabout is as popular as ever for evening wear, and just lately there has arisen a tendency for wearing long brush or comet aigrettes pointing downwards from behind the ear to the crown of the shoulder, instead of upwards, as the former manner was.



Raspberry and old rose shades are apparently evening favorites.

Striped materials are being more extensively worn this season.

Stocks of chiffon, laid in loose folds, to be worn with lace applique blouses, are extremely smart.

Dark, rich green is a favorite color this season, and it is always hand some.

Automobile coats in unplucked sealskin are among the latest beautiful things for the fair motorist.

Bridge whist sets bound in morocco make very attractive Christmas gifts.

A four-in-hand shield for linen collars comes in colored silk, bordered with white silk and trimmed with French knots.

A woman just back from London says that hats were never more top heavy and never more expensive than just now.

From Paris are gray linen collars for half-mourning wear. They are hand-embroidered in French knots and other effects in black.

Something New in Line of Amusement

The invitations were ornamented with a flock of wild geese flying madly over the page and the words were: "Come to Beverly Farm on Tuesday at half after eight."

Every one receiving this unique message was filled with curiosity as to what the proceedings would be. When all had arrived the hostess had a slip of paper for each one on which was written the first direction; of course each one was different.

One said: "Go look under the umbrella jar." There was a slip under it that said: "To walk through the hall into the music room and look at the pedals of the piano." To them was attached the message: "In the Indian basket at the top of the stairs you will find your reward." There was a souvenir or favor for each one.

In fact, there were duplicates, and when a man and a woman found the same they were partners for supper. It may easily be seen how jolly this affair may be if the hostess uses plenty of ingenuity in the planning of the "chases." The guests entering into it will have loads of fun, as they encounter each other following out the different instructions. This scheme is practical in pairing couples for cards or in any game where partners are necessary.

Plan for a Rainbow Tea.
This was a common every-day church supper, glorified by the seven colors of the rainbow, and it certainly was a most attractive affair. An unusually large crowd came to this "Rainbow Tea," drawn by the alluring advertisements, for every one wondered "what it was to be."

There were seven tables, beginning with red, then orange, yellow, indigo, green, violet and blue. The waiters for each table were dressed accordingly, and there was an arrangement of draperies bringing in all the colors, transforming the room into a bower of beauty. One cannot realize how effective the combination is until tried. Below is the menu for each table:

- RED TABLE.**
Ham. Tongue.
Sausage. Dried Beef. Beets. Radishes.
Cranberries. Cherries. Red Jellies.
Bread and Butter.
- GREEN TABLE.**
Olives. Lettuce. Salads. Green Apples.
Mint Jelly.
- STUFFED GREEN PEPPERS. WATER CRESS.**
- ORANGE TABLE.**
Orange Cake. Orange Salad.
Sliced Oranges. Plain Oranges.
Orange Sherbet. Orange Gelatine.
Orange Favors on a Tree. Cheese.
- YELLOW TABLE.**
Bananas. Pears. Pineapple.
Canned Peaches.
- Sponge Cake. Lady Fingers.**
- VIOLET TABLE.**
Violet Ice, decorated with candied violets.
Cakes, frosted with violet icing.
Violet Opera Sticks.
Violets for sale.
- Beverages for sale at all the tables.**
- INDIGO AND BLUE TABLE.**
This table was decorated with blue candles and a young woman handed out blue tickets which entitled the holder to a dish of ice cream or a slice of mince pie, both of which were served on blue plates. If a guest wished to take the entire course the charge was 50 cents. One article could be purchased for 7 cents.

Finishing Tablecloths.
The French hem is the most attractive way to finish tablecloths and napkins.
It is made by turning an ordinary hem—that is, turn once and over again. Now turn it back upon itself so that the right side of the hem will lie upon the right side of the material and then sew the edge.

ARSENIC EATERS.

Effects of the Drug on the Styrians, Who Make It.

"Eating of arsenic is common in Styria," said Alois E. Steindler of Vienna, a manufacturer of chemicals and drugs. "The Styrians say that arsenic makes one plump and comely and gives one strength for great exertions, such as running or mountain climbing. Styria, which is in Austria gives the world vast quantities of arsenic. The manufacture of this drug is indeed the main Styrian industry. They who make arsenic eat it, as a rule, for they say that only the arsenic eater can withstand the arsenic fumes. These makers and eaters of the drug are comely. They have a clear color and look much younger than they are."

"The foreman in a certain factory told me that in his boyhood, when he first came to that plant, he was advised to begin to eat arsenic lest his health suffer from the fumes. He did begin, and his first two or three small doses gave him a sharp pain, like a burn, in the stomach, and this pain was followed by tremendous hunger and a violent disagreeable excitement. But as his doses increased in frequency and size their effect became pleasant. There was no longer pain or excitement. On the contrary, there were a ravenous appetite and a mood of joyous activity wherein the youth could do three men's work."

"This chap by the time he got to be thirty was taking four grains of arsenic a day. He looked at thirty, with his clear pink and white color, no more than twenty-three. He was as robust as a blacksmith. But he said he would die at forty-five or so, that being the age at which all the Styrian arsenic eaters die."—Washington Herald.

GEESE IN BERLIN.

Rigid Inspection of the Fowls Imported Into the City.

The traffic in geese at Berlin amounts to nearly \$2,000,000 a year. As the domestic supply is wholly inadequate, a special goose train of from fifteen to forty cars arrives daily from the Russian frontier. Each car is specially built and carries about 1,200 geese. There is a rigid inspection by sanitary officials immediately upon the arrival of the train.

Should it be found that a single goose has died or been ill of a contagious disease in transit the entire carload is quarantined for eight days. If during this period of quarantine another goose should die, the quarantine is extended for eight days, at a cost of about \$500 to the owners. The penalty attaching to the bringing in of diseased geese makes the owners extremely careful to import only sound and healthy fowls. The geese which are plump and ready for market are sold to dealers at the close of the inspection. The rest, comprising the great majority, go to feeding farms in the suburbs of the city to be fattened for market.

There is a special market near the great market place at which brackens—namely, geese injured en route, but having no disease—are sold at a reduced price. Twenty-one different varieties of the Russian goose are commercially recognized, and the wholesale price varies from 44 to 60 cents a bird.—Chicago Record-Herald.

Sympathy Leans to Legs.

"There is one appeal to charity that is pretty sure to be answered," said a philanthropist. "That is a request for an artificial leg. Legs, somehow, are warmly appreciated by the general public, and the fellow who has to scrape along without one is the object of sincere commiseration. During my fifteen years' experience in philanthropic work I have issued appeals to the people at large on behalf of persons who wanted various parts of their anatomy replaced. Some wanted teeth, some an eye, others a hook like Captain Cuttle's. Physical deficiencies of that kind aroused but little interest, but just let a man advertise the fact that he was in need of a leg and enough money was quickly forthcoming to fit him out with three or four pairs of legs."—New York Press.

Very Much Alike.
"See here, Pat," said his employer,

"didn't you tell me that when you was out west the Indians scalped you? And now you have your hat off I see you have an extraordinary quantity of hair! You certainly told me so, didn't you, Pat?"

"O' did, sor," answered Pat, "but O' bear in mind now that it was me brudder Molke. It's that much we be alike that O' think O' m' Molke an' Molke be me."—New York Times.

The Mediaeval Grocer.

In an interesting and informing lecture at the Agricultural hall Mr. J. Aubrey Rees discoursed on "Grocers Past and Present." "Grocers," he said, "were once called pepperers, because they dealt in pepper and spices. Their history would seem to begin about 1180, when there is an entry on the Pipe Rolls referring to the London Guild of Pepperers." Then in 1310 Mr. Rees finds a reference in the city records to one William Chambers being apprenticed to John Guter, a "grossarius" of Soper lane. The title seems due to the dealings in things by the gross—i. e., in quantities. "In those days grocers ministered to the luxuries of the rich. Now," said Mr. Rees tersely, "they distribute the necessities of the poor." The appearance of tea changed the business greatly and took the place of drugs, which parliament forbade grocers to sell.—London News.

An Appropriate Text.

A clergyman in a country town was asked to fill the pulpit for the pastor of a church not far from his own. He accepted the invitation. Before the services began he was handed several notices which he was asked to read and was told that they were usually given out just before the sermon. Among them was a long and elaborate apology to the congregation for the absence of the clergyman who had been expected to speak to them and whose place this minister had been called upon to fill on an emergency. It was the last one, and he read it without comment or change of countenance. Then opening the Bible he announced his text, "Wherefore, then, be ye content with what ye have."

Your Humble Servant.

The use of "your humble servant" and of "your most humble and obedient servant," which have given way to the curt "yours truly," came first into use in England in conversation, and later in correspondence, on the marriage of Queen Mary, daughter of Henry IV. of France, to King Charles I. The usual salutation before that time had been "God keep you." "God be with you"—this among the gentry. With the common people it was "How dost thou, Hodge?" with a thump on the shoulder.

First Mississippi Steamboat.

The pioneer steamboat on the Ohio and Mississippi was the New Orleans, 138 feet long and 300 tons burden. She was built at Pittsburg, from which place she started for New Orleans on Oct. 9, 1811. The first steamboat to ascend the Mississippi and Ohio was the Washington, built at Wheeling. The Washington made the return trip between Pittsburg and New Orleans in forty-one days in the fall of 1816.

British Manners.

A man shoves past a woman on a staircase or he leaves her standing while he sits. He comes into a crowded public room with his hat on and talks loudly as if all the place belonged to him. His womankind do the same. At present the workingman has the best manners, the middle class the worst.—Lady Violet Greville in London Graphic.

Qualified.

"And is Willie Vanfeller really studying medicine?"
"Yes, and he's getting on famously. He told me yesterday I was looking well, and, by Jove, I was!"—Harper's Weekly.

Accounted For.

The Lecturer—Did you see that fellow walk out in the middle of my lecture? Committeeman—Oh, yes. He walks in his sleep, you know.—Lyceumite and Talent.

Industry is fortune's right hand and frugality her left.—German Proverb.

How to Use Spare Time Profitably.

By JAMES J. HILL, Railroad Builder.

THE working days and the working hours are those in which there is necessary work to be done, whatever time that may require. Spare hours are well spent upon the study of HISTORY, LITERATURE AND ART. Whatever any able mind of great genius has given for the instruction or enjoyment of the world is worth while.

Ample and accurate information is the FIRST STEP TOWARD SUCCESS for every one, and the world of historic fact, economic fact and scientific fact, with the bearing of each upon the probable future of human effort, is now so large that a man will find ALL HIS LEISURE TOO LITTLE for his desire to equip himself with knowledge. In books and pictures, as in practical things, only the BEST are worth one's time and attention.

THE BEST ADVICE TO A YOUNG MAN, AS IT APPEARS TO ME, IS ALSO VERY OLD AND SIMPLE. GET KNOWLEDGE AND UNDERSTANDING. DETERMINE TO MAKE THE MOST POSSIBLE OF YOURSELF BY DOING TO THE BEST OF YOUR POWER SUCH USEFUL WORK AS COMES YOUR WAY.

There are NO NEW RECIPES FOR SUCCESS in life. A good aim, diligence in learning every detail of your business, honest, hard work and a determination to succeed win EVERY TIME unless crossed by some exceptional accident or misfortune.

A PIECE OF STRING.

It Plays a Prominent Part in the Life of Japan.

Writing from Japan, an American says: "You must come here to appreciate some of the quaint customs and usages which contact with other peoples has not yet driven out. To read about them gives you only a poor idea. For instance, did you ever know what an important thing a piece of string is here? The children, workmen, idlers, servants, all carry pieces of string for use in case of emergency. With us the emergency would arise only when a parcel had to be done up, but the Jap uses his piece of string as a first aid to the injured, to repair a rent in his clothing, to fix a broken down jinrikisha, to mend tools, to take measurement, and, in fact, the string is his universal tool chest. The queerest use to which it is put, according to my way of thinking, is when a police officer arrests a man, ties a bit of string about the arrested man's wrist and then leads him by the loose end of the thin hempen fetter to the lockup. You ask, 'Why doesn't the Jap crook break the string and find a gateway?' He could, but he would not. That's where his respect for the law comes in, and the bit of string holds the man as securely as though he were manacled by our own humane chilled steel, nickel plated and snap locked method."—New York Tribune.

DIRTY WATCHES.

The Reason Is Often to Be Found in the Watch Pocket.

"Why do watches get dirty?" said the jeweler. "You'll find the answer in your watch pocket. Turn it out."

The patron turned out his watch pocket, sheepishly bringing forth a pinch of mud colored dust, some lint and a small ball of black fluff.

"There's the reason," said the jeweler. "Watches get dirty because the pockets they are carried in are never clean. A watch pocket, my dear sir, should be cleaned out regularly once a week. Observe that rule and your watch's works will not get clogged up again."

"Another and a reasonable rule is never to lay your watch down on stone or marble. The cold deranges the delicate works."

"Never lay your watch down, in fact, anywhere. Hang it up on a hook vertically in the same position it occupies when in your pocket. Watches are made to lie, or, rather, stand, in that position only."

"Wind your watch in the morning, never at night."—New York Press.

Cigarettes as Wedding Fee.

As one of Manila's leading young men was donning his evening suit preparatory to keeping a social engagement he ran his hand into his pocket and was surprised to find an envelope there. On opening it he discovered 25 pesos in bills. "Now, where in thunder did I take on all this money?" he said. "It isn't mine, for I never carry my bills around in an envelope." Then he sat down to think where he had worn the suit and how he had come by the 25 pesos. "The last place I wore it," he mused finally, "was when I was best man at a wedding a month ago. But I gave Dr. Rossiter his money. I remember distinctly giving him something, and it must have been his fee. If I didn't give him the money, what in the world did I give him?" He called up Dr. Rossiter by phone. "Do you mind telling me," he asked, "what I gave you for a fee at Blank's wedding?" The answer came back very distinctly and cuttingly: "Young man, you gave me a box of vile smelling cigarettes."—Philippine Gossip.

Arbiter and Arbitrary.

If an arbitrator is chosen to end a dispute, says the London Chronicle, there is no reason to dread that his decision would be arbitrary, though the two words are very near relatives. An arbiter, the Latin word which used to be more common as English than it is now, meant by derivation simply "one who went to" something to examine it, and so at first a spectator or witness. Then in Roman law it assumed the technical sense of an umpire. But a "judicium," the legal decision in a case with regard to a definite sum of money, for instance, was distinguished from an arbitrium, a legal decision as to an uncertain sum which had to be determined; hence arbitrary acquired the sense of uncertain, capricious.

It Was Plain Enough.

A college professor who recently returned with his wife from their honeymoon greatly amused a company of people in his home town, according to the Lewiston Journal, by assuring them, on being questioned concerning their trip, that nobody where they spent their honeymoon suspected that they were bride and groom.

"What kind of a place was it you were in?" the president of the college asked. "An institution for the blind?"

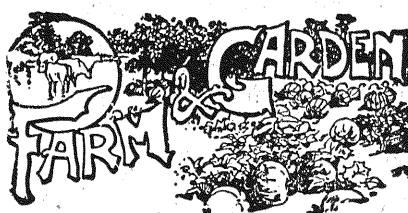
Economical Woman.

Of small economies the following will be difficult to beat for smallness: A laboring man who hands over his weekly wages to his wife is allowed by her an ounce of tobacco a week. She buys it herself in two separate half ounces in order, she declares, to get the advantage of the two turns of the scale.—London Chronicle.

A Brutal Definition.

Knicker—What is a philanthropist? Bocker—A man who gives what he doesn't need in a way nobody wants.—New York Sun.

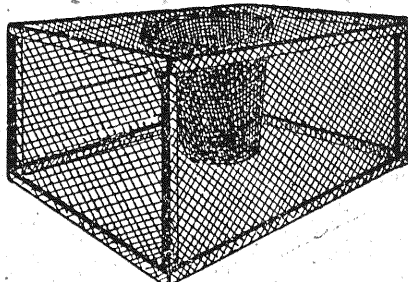
There is nothing so powerful as truth—and often nothing so strange.—Webster.



A NOVEL SPARROW TRAP.

It Can Be Made Any Size That Is Desired.

A box is made any size desired. The frame is of inch boards—eight inches long and two inches wide and



Good Sparrow Trap.

The sides are made of wire screen. In the center of the top is placed a funnel, made of the screen just large enough at the bottom to let the sparrow through. Put grain in the bottom of the box, says the Prairie Farmer, and place where it will tempt the sparrows.

OLD FARMERS ON OLD PLACES.

In Many Cases They Are the Progressive and Helpful Men of District.

We heard the other day of a farmer that had celebrated his eightieth birthday on the place on which he was born. Some of these old farmers have improved their places and made them a joy to the communities in which they live, while others have permitted their farms to run down until they have become places to be shunned by the resident who is showing his friends the best farms in his vicinity.

The old farmer that is progressive is a great help to any community, remarks the Farmers' Review. We know some such. They are men whose hair has become white with the snows of many winters, but they have never ceased to progress. They are found at the conventions of farmers and are often met at the agricultural colleges, where they go to keep in touch with the new ideas in agriculture. Such men exert an influence that is felt far and wide. When they die they leave behind them sacred memories. We often hear people speak of "old fogies," but we have run across a good many "young fogies," men who can not be induced to adopt the improved methods that have been proven to be good by science and by experience.

The question has often come up as to whether it is advisable to erect large barns on the farm. Undoubtedly it is, if they are needed. The large barn is by far the most economical in the long run. The danger of fire and lightning is a small factor compared with the convenience of having all the stock together. He is a poor business man who does not carry a certain amount of insurance on his out buildings. The large barn lightens the work during cold weather when all the stock may be looked after at once without the necessity of visiting a half dozen small sheds and closing and opening as many doors to get in and out. It is by far more economical to erect, and, if it is really needed, a large barn should be chosen every time in preference to several small ones.

Don't forget the wood-lot. You are likely to do this in looking after the crops, but it don't pay. Pick out the best firewood trees and cut them up.

The manure spreader will make the manure more valuable to your land and is one implement that you really need.

You will save trouble later on by selecting seed corn now. It takes 15 ears to plant an acre.

The drains are easily filled by a good drag and a team hitched to it.

If your neighbor's methods are better than yours it is best to adopt them.

It is a useless expenditure to invest in commercial fertilizer that is not really needed. Study your land before you purchase.

Care of Shock Fodder. Considerable waste is present on most dairy farms every year by improper treatment and care of the shock fodder. It can be fed almost under any circumstances without any loss whatever. An acre of land will produce with very little expense ten to 20 tons of sorghum or corn. Shredded fodder is likewise used extensively in feeding cattle. Corn fodder is more subject to waste owing to the hardening of the fiber in the stalk and the fact that it can not withstand exposure or bad weather. It is practically impossible to get the whole crop of fodder in at the same time and shredded so it can be packed away in the bins.

FARM NOTES.

Run the spring tooth harrow through the quick grass to kill it. For late fall treatment, plow so that the upturned roots will be exposed to the freezing air of winter.

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LOCAL ITEMS.

Little Irene Frutchey is on the sick list.

John Striffler has been ill for the past two weeks.

Mrs. J. C. Corkins has been spending a few days at Caro.

F. A. Tiedgen is entertaining his mother, Mrs. A. Tiedgen, of Dimondale.

Mr. and Mrs. George Jameson and family of Pontiac are the guests of Frank Herr.

The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Chadwick of Kingston, township was buried Monday.

Mrs. Caroline Robinson has been spending the past week with friends near Shabbona.

F. J. Nash Jr. has purchased the W. I. Frost residence on the corner of Pine and Oak streets.

Wayne Haviland of Flint was the guest of his sister-in-law, Mrs. C. E. Haviland, a few days last week.

A sacred concert will be given at the Greenbank church in Novesta township on Monday evening, Jan. 20.

Mrs. J. Cornelius has been very seriously ill the past week.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. F. Henry, on Thursday, Jan. 9, a little girl.

Mrs. F. A. Tiedgen is quite ill. Miss Mary Greer is caring for her.

Mrs. W. Fallis was summoned to Caro on Monday owing to the serious illness of her father.

J. Cornelius has disposed of his grocery stock at Wickware to S. B. Brown of Novesta township.

George Butterfield and sister, Olive, of Bay City have been visiting at the home of their uncle, Philip Mark.

A. Ruslo has recovered from his recent illness and has resumed his duties at F. A. McGeorge's elevator.

No services were held in the churches Sunday evening on account of the severe snow storm which was raging.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Laubah of Fenton, Pennsylvania, have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Lauderbach and other friends here.

A number of the friends of Miss Lizzie Doerr gave her a pleasant surprise Wednesday evening, the occasion being her birthday. Flinch was the popular game of the evening and Clifford Edgerton won the favors.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Mark visited at Shabbona last week.

John Schwarzer Jr. returned to Great Falls, Montana, Monday.

Miss Mae Tyo of Caro is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Tyo.

Miss Gene Boag spent Sunday at the home of her parents near Shabbona.

Miss Rolston of Hagerville, Ont., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Hendrick.

The dinner given by the ladies of the M. E. church Wednesday was well attended. The proceeds were \$15.

Miss Mamie Crawford returned to Marlette Wednesday after visiting her parents here for the past two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Knapp went to Bad Axe on Tuesday to attend a leap year party given at that place in the evening.

The Presbyterian Ladies' Aid society will meet at the church parlors next Wednesday and tea will be served at the usual hour.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Hayes entertained Mr. and Mrs. I. Waidley of Elmwood and Mr. and Mrs. S. Y. Kenyon last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Sears of Clio, who have been the guests of their cousin, Mrs. M. DeLong, returned home the first of the week.

Farmer's institutes are being held at Akron, Richville and Millington this week and the round-up will be held at Caro on Jan. 22 and 23.

G. Spencer of Columbiaville, a member of the firm of Spencer and Heine-man, has been in town this week looking after business interests.

The marriage, on Monday, of Wm. Gemmill to Miss Lizzie, daughter of C. Noly, has been announced. The happy couple left on Wednesday morning for points in Ogemaw county.

The Star Amusement had a full house Saturday evening and "The Red Man's Way" was enjoyed by the large audience. On account of the storm the first of the week, the films did not arrive in time for Tuesday evening but will be shown tonight and tomorrow evening.

Last Thursday evening, Mrs. Elizabeth McLean was the victim of a surprise party, when some twenty of her friends gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. O. K. Jones, at supper time, to remind her that it was her birthday. The guests brought lunch with them and all partook of the dainties. The affair was a complete surprise to Mrs. McLean.

The Foresters of Cass City had a royal good time at their hall Tuesday afternoon and evening, when the installation of officers took place. High Secretary Stockwell of Port Huron and high court deputy, Miss White, of Romeo, were present and gave interesting addresses about the order. Refreshments were served and all enjoyed the occasion, there being a large attendance.

Readers of the Detroit Journal may confer a favor on a former resident of Cass City by cutting out the "January Bride" coupons from that paper, filling them out for Mrs. Richard Lazenby, and leaving them at the Chronicle office and they will be forwarded to her. All who intend to assist Mr. Lazenby's bride in this contest will please bear in mind that the coupons must be in the Journal office one week from the date of issue.

H. L. McDermott, the popular treasurer of the Cass City Fair, was the victim of a surprise party given at his home Saturday by the officers and directors of the fair association and their wives. The company arrived at the noon hour, and after partaking of a bountiful and delicious dinner, the guests spent the afternoon in social intercourse. Mr. McDermott has been connected with the association for many years and is one of the society's popular officials. A few years ago he served as secretary and previous to that time as a member of the board of directors.

Miss Mena Dean of Vassar has been the guest of her aunt, Mrs. G. A. Stevenson.

Fred Luck of Jackson is the guest of his brother-in-law, Joseph Pettinger, and other friends in this vicinity.

A number of the friends of Mr. and Mrs. A. Ostrander, gave them a party at their home, northeast of town, last Friday evening.

Miss Letticia Hayes, who has been the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Hayes, for several weeks, has returned to Detroit.

Miss Ella Ball has gone to Caro to visit with friends and relatives. She expects to visit friends in Bay City before returning home.

Master Nicolo Hitchcock was eleven years old a few days ago and a number of his little friends assisted him to celebrate the occasion.

A. E. Boulton is in Toledo, Ohio, this week where he represents Elkland Arbor at the bi-ennial meeting of the Supreme Arbor of the Gleaners.

Mrs. F. C. Ballard and little son of North Branch have been the guests of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Crosby. They returned home Tuesday.

Leslie Ellis of Detroit has been the guest of his cousin, Lloyd Reagh, this week. He has been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Ellis, who now reside in Caro.

A company of friends gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. Crawford on Monday evening in honor of Mr. Crawford's birthday. The evening was happily spent.

The Sir Knights and Lady Macca-bees will enjoy a social time at the Odd Fellow hall this evening. An oyster supper will be served. All Macca-bees are invited to attend.

Miss Kathryn Miller returned to Cadillac last week to resume her duties as instructor in the public school. She was detained here for a few days after school opened on account of sickness.

I. B. Auten and N. Bigelow were in Caro on Tuesday to attend a meeting of the directors of the Thumb Creamery company. Arrangements are being made for a successful campaign during the coming year.

Peter P. Webber has returned home from Marshfield, Wis., where he visited his sisters whom he has not seen in twenty-two years. He also visited the home of his boyhood days. He reports that he had a very enjoyable trip.

Overseer Mrs. Geo. Davenport is in Toledo, Ohio, this week attending the bi-ennial meeting of the Supreme Arbor of the Gleaners. Mrs. Davenport enjoys the distinction of having been chosen a member of the reception committee.

On Wednesday evening, a number of the Masonic fraternity went to Gageton to attend a meeting of the lodge at that place. The third degree was conferred on candidates and all enjoyed a banquet at the close of the meeting.

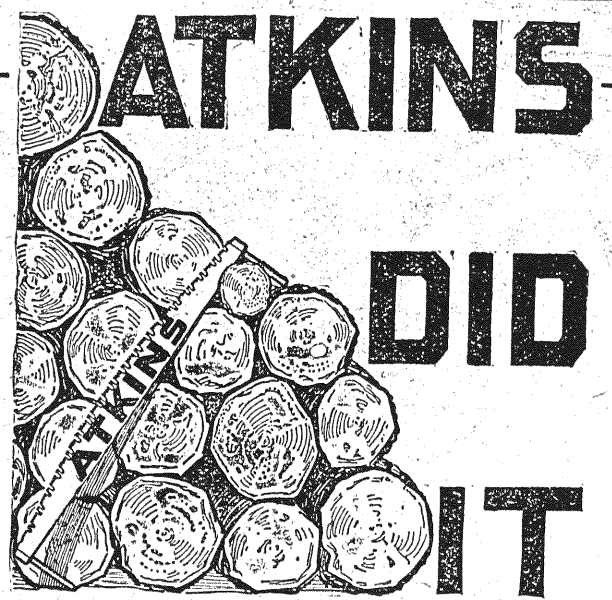
Mrs. H. C. Howey has received a report from the medical superintendent of the E. M. A. at Pontiac regarding the health of Mrs. James Oathout who is a patient at that institution. The report is not favorable and shows that there is no improvement in the patient's condition.

At the annual meeting of the members of the Baptist church the following officers were elected: Treasurer, P. S. McGregory; clerk, Mrs. M. L. Gulick; trustee for three years, Chas. Travis; organist, Lilliar Yakes; ushers, D. R. Graham, Chas. Travis and Orrin C. Deming.

Wm. Scupholm and Miss Ella Mudge were united in marriage last Thursday afternoon by Rev. Jas. W. Fenn, at the latter's residence on east Main street. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Scupholm; and the bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Mudge. The announcement of their marriage came as a surprise to most of the residents of the community. At present they are residing at the home of the groom's parents, southeast of town. The Chronicle joins with their many friends in wishing them a happy and successful journey through life.

The term of office of H. S. Wickware, the local postmaster, will expire in March and a petition addressed to Congressman Fordney was circulated this week among the patrons of the postoffice asking the retention of Mr. Wickware for another term. The circulating of the petition brought out the fact that Mr. Wickware is not the only candidate for the appointment. A. A. McKenzie, for many years supervisor of this township and a prominent figure in republican ranks, has announced his desire to serve as Uncle Sam's representative. Both men will make good officials, but only one can serve and patrons of the office are wondering which one it will be.

Cedar Wood for Sale.
I have purchased the cedar wood, all seasoned, from the Sterling Lumber Co., which I have for sale on ground or delivered. Jas. Tuckey.



And did a mighty clean-cut job of it, with less waste of elbow-grease than would have been possible with any other saw.

A Saw Sense booklet and bangle pin free to anyone asking to see Atkins Silver-Steel Saws.

N. BIGELOW & SONS

Wagon Repairing

I have taken charge of the wagon shop on Main St. east and desire to announce that I am prepared to do all kinds of Buggy and Wagon Repairing. I have had many years' experience in this work and guarantee satisfaction to all customers.

Any one desiring to purchase a first class wagon will find it to their interest to call on me.

JAMES WILSON,
Wagonmaker.

The Jeweler's

The jewelry store is the best place in the world to get suggestions for wedding or birthday presents. The stock is so varied and the prices are so varied that every kind of taste and every kind of pocket book is sure to be suited.

We have many inexpensive, but dainty little novelties here which will make excellent gifts. This is a jewelry store where you can get just what you are looking for.

T. L. Tibbals.

ORDER YOUR COAL

NOW-From us. Now-because if you wait until cold weather sets in before you order we may be so busy filling orders, that you may be inconvenienced to the extent of having to wait a day or two. DO IT NOW.

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Want a choice cut of prime roast beef or tender, juicy lamb? Maybe it's pork you want, or a nice delicious steak? Ham, sausage, bacon or chops may be your preference. Whatever it is, we have it and at quick march prices. Our meats are not the kind that are hard to cut and still harder to digest. It is young, tender and wholesome.

CENTRAL MEAT MARKET
ED. SCHWADERER, Proprietor.

It makes you long for dinner time

CALUMET BAKING POWDER

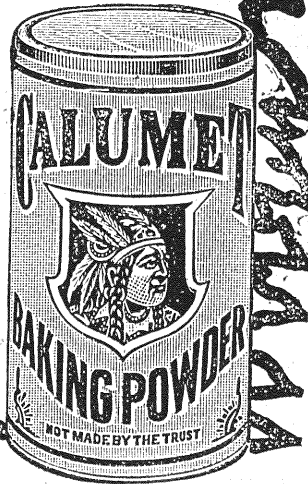
Best for flaky pastry, wholesome bread and biscuit—best for crisp cookies—best for delicious cakes, toothsome muffins, doughnuts that will melt in your mouth.

Everything you make well, it will help to make better, because it's "best by test."

Anybody can cook well if they use Calumet Baking Powder. Failure with it is almost impossible.

It is chemically correct and makes Pure, Wholesome Food.

Price is Moderate

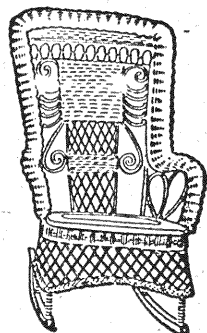
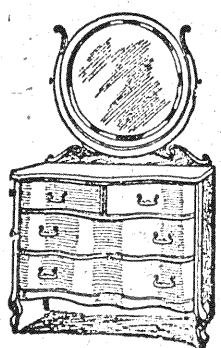
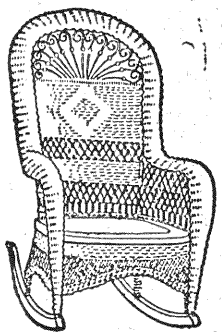


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MRS. G. W. GOFF.



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When you buy Flour

It is always best to select a brand of established quality

White Lily and Fanchon

The perfect Flours, have been weighed in the balance and have always met the requirements of the best homes. They are the all-round flours of the choicest kind. Many young ladies who expect to become housewives this winter are, with the aid of these popular brands, now learning the better sort of baking. As a consequence an equal number of young men will have occasion to "pat themselves on the back."

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C. W. HELLER CO.

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E. H. PINNEY & SON.
Loans Money
On Notes, Real Estate Mortgages and all other approved securities. Parties requiring money to pay taxes will do well to call early and save the higher fees.

PAYS 4%
Interest on time Certificates of Deposit.

Notes taken for collection. Drafts sold on all parts of the world.

Correspondence

BEAULEY.

More snow than we can pack. Everybody out breaking roads Monday morning. Arthur H. Moore has returned from a visit in Ontario. Misses Gertrude I. Bond and Florence B. Moore are visiting friends in Kingston. Mr. and Mrs. Amos Huffman are spending the week with relatives near Port Huron. Rev. Stephenson went to Deckerville this week to assist Rev. Lohnes in special meetings. Albert Wise of Akron and J. Wise of N. W. T., spent last week with the Reader family here. Hay pressing is still on. Last week the Bennett press from east of Cass City pressed 35 tons for L. J. Carroll and they are now pressing for Wm. J. and Marvin Moore. Some from here went to Bad Axe on Monday to attend the yearly meeting of the Huron County Mutual Fire Insurance company. Mr. McDowell was re-elected as treasurer. T. Jarvis' claim was allowed in full, \$700, for

loss of his house by fire. Many feared his claim would be rejected but after a vote of the meeting the majority carried and we are glad to say that we can recommend our Huron County Mutual for honesty and fair dealing.

In reading the correspondence of last week's paper we saw the election of Sunday school officers in Novesta Corners and Shabbona items which reminded us that we had not mentioned our yearly election which took place New Year's eve at the parsonage with the re-election of all the old teachers with very few exceptions and still under the superintendence of John H. Moore, who has been superintendent for the past six years. The regular attendance is from 80 to 100 scholars. The Epworth League also held its election of officers and Colson Blair was elected president; Marcus McIntosh, vice president, and the others were the old ones re-elected. The L. A. S. re-elected the same officers who have been in office the past few years and the society will hold its regular semi-monthly meeting Thursday for dinner at the home of Mrs. F. Reader.

Don't Try Uncertain Recipes.

It is entirely unnecessary to experiment with this, that and the other recipe. Get from your grocer, for 10 cents, a package of "OUR PLE" Preparation—Lemon, Chocolate or Custard—for making pies that are sure to be good. 1-10-14

WICKWARE.

Mrs. Steve William is very ill at this writing. Miss Teresa Kirton visited relatives at Uby Friday and Saturday. Rev. and Mrs. Willerton were the guests of Mrs. Geo. Brown Tuesday. Barney Shageny has moved onto his new farm. He likes it fine. Chas. Keep returned to Wickware after visiting his mother at Clifford. Wm. Fulcher has returned from the woods. He expects to return soon. Miss Clara Phillips attended a party at John McCool's home at Hay Creek Friday. Mrs. Robt. Irwin has returned from Pontiac where she has been visiting her daughter. Herbert and Ethel Gibbons visited at the home of Chas. Freshner at Shabbona Friday. Some of our young people attended a party given at the home of Joseph Brown at Cass City Friday evening. Mack McNaughton had a wood bee Monday, Jan. 6. In the evening an oyster supper was given at the home of Robt. Brown. Everyone had a good time, it is reported.

How to Avoid Appendicitis

Most victims of appendicitis are those who are habitually constipated. Foley's Orino Laxative cures chronic constipation by stimulating the liver and bowels and restores the natural action of the bowels. Foley's Orino Laxative does not nauseate or gripe and is mild and pleasant to take. Refuse substitutes. L. I. Wood & Co.

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

James Comstak has returned from Detroit. Barney Turner is pressing straw for Fred Shaffer. Word has reached us that Horace Barriager has been married. Wm. Landon and Bernie Gould are cutting popples on the Cyrus Gould farm. Peter Shaver of Caro spent several days last week cutting wood on his farm here. Norman Emmons is putting in a mill yard on his twenty on the banks of the Cass. Harry D. Hunt returned to Fairgrove Tuesday after a visit with his grandmother, Mrs. E. C. Clay. Mr. and Mrs. Peter Molonzo are visiting with the latter's sister, Mrs. Henry J. Wright, at Saginaw. Chas. Osterle drove to Caro Friday after his daughter, Hattie, who has been assisting Mrs. McDermond at Rauck's camps.

It Does the Business

Mr. E. E. Chamberlain of Clinton, Maine, says of Bucklen's Arnica Salve: "It does the business; I have used it for piles and it cured them. Used it for chapped hands and it cured them. Applied it to an old sore and it healed it without leaving a scar behind." 25c at L. I. Wood & Co.'s drug store.

CANBORO.

No Sunday school Sunday on account of the storm. Jay Andrews was in Elkton Monday. L. Krahling of Cass City spent Tuesday in this vicinity. Chas. Hintz is visiting friends here. Jos. B. Mellendorf was in Cass City Saturday. Miss Effie Foreman was the guest of Owendale friends Saturday and Sunday. The Misses Mary, Edily and Lizzie Cummins, from near Owendale, are visiting relatives here. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. J. Morley have returned from Blissfield, where he has been employed for some time. They expect to make their home in our midst. The Misses Zella Brackenbury, Mildred Andrews and Lizzie Easton of Elkton spent Saturday and Sunday with their parents here.

This Is Worth Remembering

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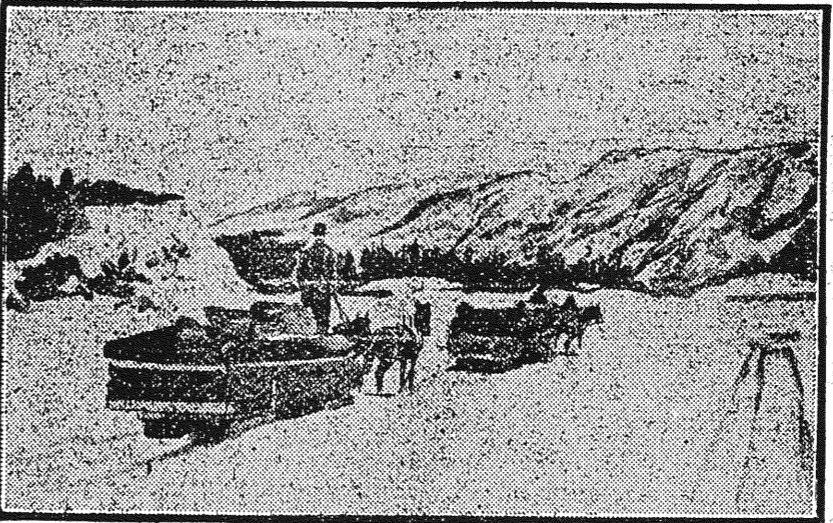
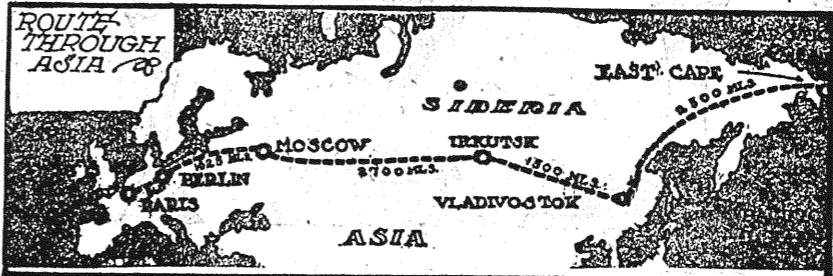
At Home.

"Ah, old boy," said a gentleman, meeting another on the avenue, "so you are married at last. Allow me to congratulate you, for I hear you have an excellent and accomplished wife." "I have, indeed," was the reply. "She is so accomplished! Why, sir, she is perfectly at home in literature, at home in music, at home in art, at home in science—in short, at home everywhere except!" "Except what?" "Except at home."—London Saturday Review.

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NATURE OF THE ALASKAN COUNTRY ON THE ROUTE OF THE RACE



ROUTE THROUGH AMERICA

Joke as they will about the uncertainty and unreliability of the automobile, the horseless and trackless cars are doing some great stunts these days. The interest and admiration over the recent remarkable Peking to Paris trip has hardly grown cold when there is talk of a New York to Paris run, in fact all but the final details of the long, hard trip have been arranged, and it is considered no longer a mere dream but a project which will be undertaken and carried through to a successful conclusion. To be sure it means a sending of the motor cars into the frozen and mountainous regions of Alaska and the crossing into the almost equally unknown northeastern section of Asia, but who is there dare say that such a trip cannot be accomplished in the face of the former triumphs of man over seemingly insurmountable difficulties?

From the earliest recollection of man the efforts of certain members of the human race have tended toward overcoming such obstacles as have presented themselves from time to time. Difficulties that at first sight would appear to be unconquerable seem to lead a special interest to this class of man, and no stone is left unturned in the carrying out of a determination born of a desire to outstrip their fellow-man, no matter what the cost in money, in time, in endurance, in what-not.

And now a test of endurance that but a few years ago would have been called the wild dream of a Jules Verne, who mapped out a remarkable trip around the world in 80 days, when in this day only a third of the time is required. Arrangements are being perfected for an automobile race from New York to Paris over land under the auspices of La Matin of Paris, assisted by the New York Times, which promises to show more than anything else that has ever been attempted that this type of travel has reached a stage of perfection that will amaze the most incredulous.

There have been automobile races for short distances that have brought out marvels of speed. There have been races for long distances that have proved marvels of endurance of men and machinery. There have been men who have crossed the great American continent in automobiles, taking in the first instance three months, and in the last 18 days; but the greatest of all feats with the automobile up to this time is the race of the machines from Peking, China, to Paris last summer, a distance of 6,200 miles through the wildest kind of country, which took two months to cover.

It was the success of this race, which was run under the auspices of Le Matin of Paris, which encouraged the effort that is to be made to conquer the awful solitude, the illimitable stretches of dreary and dreadful wildernesses of snow through northern Alaska, across Bering strait, and down through the wildest portion of Siberia, where seldom has the foot of man trodden, nor the vehicle of mankind been seen.

Starting from New York, the machines will make for a prearranged point on the Canadian frontier, and they will find comparatively good roads. Only eight automobiles ever crossed the American continent on their own wheels. Of the seven who tried for the speed record one crossed in 63 days, another in 61, another first crossed in 72 days and twice again in 44 days and 48 days, another in 33 days, and the last, driven by L. L. Whitman, which left San Francisco August 2, 1906, a little more

than 15 days, and Mr. Whitman says it was the toughest nut he ever had to crack during his entire experience. What then can be expected of the balance of the journey which will continue through the Rockies, up through British Columbia in the Yukon territory of Alaska to Dawson, a distance of 1,300 miles through a country the greater part of which has never been traversed by wheeled vehicles, but knows only the sleds drawn in small trains by dogs. From Dawson the route will continue over a fairly good government road through to Fairbanks, where it ends, and thence to Cape Prince of Wales, on Bering strait, a distance of 80 miles. If possible, the strait will be crossed on the ice.

No definite plan has as yet been made for crossing the strait, although it is more than probable that the race will be started at such time in the spring as will admit of the machines reaching the strait when it is navigable, and they can be taken to East cape on the Siberian side, a distance of about 50 miles.

From East cape there are two tentative routes, both of which would lead on to Irkutsk, a distance of 2,500 miles. They can skirt the Arctic ocean for a distance of a thousand miles to Olenok, and then run almost due south to Irkutsk, or they can run down the shore line of Bering sea around Holy Cross bay and the Gulf of Anadir and the Sea of Okhotsk to Vladivostok, the eastern terminus of the Trans-Siberian railway.

From Vladivostok the line of the Trans-Siberian railroad would be followed, as being of the least resistance, through Irkutsk to Moscow, a distance of 4,200 miles; thence to Berlin, over the same route as the Peking-Paris race, a distance of 1,025 miles, and to Paris, 560 miles, making the total for the distance measured in air lines on the atlas 15,195 miles, although by the roundabout ways the machines will have to take in many places the distance traveled will probably reach 18,000 or 20,000 miles. This may look easy to the uninitiated; while there are others who deem the trip utterly impracticable.

All the details of the trip are now being worked out by interested officials in Washington and Ottawa, and will be announced as soon as possible. While this trip has never been made by a wheeled vehicle it has been made in the opposite direction by intrepid explorers, the last of whom was Barry de Windt, a young engineer who desired to investigate for the Russian government just what the possibility was for constructing an all-rail route from Paris to New York.

Mr. de Windt's experience was harrowing beyond expression of words. His perils and privations, the hardships and difficulties he encountered are almost indescribable, but they serve a purpose not intended at the time to the intrepid automobilists who are to start on the marvelous undertaking of driving motor cars through ice and snow, through dreary wastes and practically unknown lands, where for hundreds of miles at a time they will not see the face of man, nor be able to get supplies other than those carried on the machines.

Cost of Laying Telegraph Wires. Putting up telegraph wires on poles costs \$155 per mile. Laying the same wire underground will cost more than ten times that sum—about \$1,850 a mile.

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William Morris in Court. In one of the London police courts over which Mr. Newton presided—the Thames, I think—Morris protested against the magistrate's sentence on his comrade and called out "Shame!" in court and, being roughly hustled by the police, resisted them and was instantly arrested and placed in the dock. The magistrate, in entire ignorance of the identity of the unusual looking prisoner, asked Morris who he was, and he replied, "I am William Morris, artist and poet; pretty well known throughout Europe, I believe." This had the effect of bringing about his immediate release, but Morris said afterward that it was the only time he had had to bounce about himself, and he would never do it again.—Walter Crane's Reminiscences.

Didn't Matter Much. Would Be Passenger (out of breath from running)—When does the half past 5 train leave? Porter—Five thirty.

Passenger—Well, the church clock is twenty-seven minutes past, the post-office clock is twenty-five minutes past, and your clock is thirty-two minutes. Now, which clock am I to go by? Porter—You can go by any clock yer like, but yer can't go by the train, for it's gone.—London Scraps.

The Censor. "Does your wife assist you in your work?" queried the horse reporter. "I see her at your desk often." "Yes," replied the self confessed humorist. "She destroys all my wife and mother-in-law jokes."—Chicago News.

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