We also urge you to buy them now while stock is complete and to buy them here.

#### Let us make a few suggestions:

A pair of ladies' or gents' warm Slippers, A pair of ladies' or gents' fancy Slippers, A pair of ladies' or gents' warm Shoes, A pair of ladies' or gents' warm Rubbers, A pair of gents' Boots. A Gents' Overcoat, A boys' or youths' Overcoat, Agents' Fur Overcoat, Nice Suit of Clothes, Fancy Suspenders, Hat, Gloves, Fancy Shirt,

### CROSBY,

Cass City's Shoe and Clothing Man.

#### See Fairweather Bros. for Useful Holiday Gifts

A Bargain in Cotton From Saturday, Dec. 15, to Saturday, Dec. 22, we will give you 7c unbleached cotton at 5c per yard. Not over 50 yds, to any one customer. This is a bargain and will be your time to buy your year's supply of cotton. Remember the dates.

#### Handkerchiefs

The largest and most complete line of handkerchiefs will be found at our Prices range from 1c to 75c

#### Notions

We carry nearly everything in the notion line for the holidays. We of-fer 5c boxes of hair pins for 3c, 5c paper of pins for 3c, 35c and 50c hair brushes for 25c.

Umbrellas Ladies' Umbrellas for the holidays. In order to clean up our entire stock we offer our entire line at 25 to 50 per

#### Gloves and Mittens

A very complete line of Ladies and Gents' and Children's at 10c to \$1.00

#### Fascinators

All kinds and colors. 25c to \$3.00

#### Underwear

Our large stock and good values meet the approval of all. We sell the right kind of Underwear at the right

#### Groceries

Our Grocery Dept. will be filled for the holiday trade with a full line of Candies, Nuts, Granges, Fruit, etc. We handle Fresh Oysters in bulk or by the can. We sell you an A No. 1
Peanut for 10c a lb. A good Laundry Soap, 15 bars for 25c. A good fair Coffee for 6c a lb.

Toute is somewhat outside the old, worn out Bay City, Port Huron line, it can be readily seen that it would open in the territory of the Thumb

Fancy Lamps and Dishes Entire new line to show you. See

Save money and time by buying your holiday goods of

#### FAIRWEATHER BROS.

Big Double Store.

Butter and eggs wanted.

olden time re 1ath of Olden lime finds no Favor with the architect of today.

We are now offering a specialty on Pine Lath and Cedar Shingles. We also carry a complete line of Rough and Dressed Building Materials from Moulding to the largest

#### CASS CITY LUMBER AND COAL CO.

Near R. R. Station. 

#### Clubbing Offers R With the Chronicle & 8 and McClure's 1.65 and Munsey's ...... 1.65 and Success 1.60 and Everybody's Magazine 1.60 and Pearson's and Home Magazine ..... 1.50

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#### PLENTY OF RAILROAD TALK

#### An Extension of the Caro Branch. An Electric Road Around the

Thumb. When we penned last week's railit bad, judging from what he has to say on "more railroad talk penetrating the air" in last week's paper. After talking very confidently about extending the Caro branch "in the direction of Gagetown and acress the thumb to Harbor Beach" for the benefit of the Peninsular Sugar Refining Co., the article becomes very interesting because of the following state-"G. R. Lovejoy of Detroit, a pro-

moter of electric railways, who has met with success in many ventures of the kind, is working upon a new deal along the line of a "Thumb" railway and neighbors in their affliction. and he believes that it will be a success. Last Monday the work of securing the right of way and franchises for an electric line from Lennon in Macomb county to Sanilac Centre was taken up and the promoters are meeting with splendid success all along the proposed line. This road would strike Richmond, Memphis and at Emmet would cross the Grand Trunk; then Brockway, Yale, Speaker, Peck and north to Sanilac Centre. From Sanilae Centre it is proposed to run the road north to Argyle and thence north and west to Cass City. From Cass City the line would follow the stage route and pass through Elmwood, Ellington and to Caro. From this place the promoters desire to reach Bay City via Fairgrove and Quanicassee City, and we are creditably informed that Bay City parties have already secured franchises to Fairgrove and will give them to the new company. While this proposed route is somewhat outside the old, open up the territory of the Thumb much more satisfactorily than the old route, which paralleled the F. & P. M. within twelve or fifteen miles

#### ANOTHER VICTORY.

for a greater portion of its length."

foot ball on Friday last by a score of ess of the teams. Two halves of 15 and 5 mmutes were played.

It is noticable that the antagonistic feeling of the public against foot ball in on the wane. The game, when properly played is not so dangerous as a great many force themselves to believe. In fact those who are the most conspicuous in condemning the game are usually the ones who have never witnessed a game. /The only noticeable result from the six games played amount of solid flesh and muscle on the players and the philosophical way in which they accept the few kicks and bruises. They no longer give way to bursts of temper when a little flesh becomes temporarily discolored but accept it as a part of life.

The Juniors played the youths of Caro a tie game on Saturday last, the score being 5 to 5.

#### AUDITOR GENERAL POWERS MAKES THE FOLLOWING APPOINTMENTS.

ompleted their final session in apportioning the various offices among the counties. Auditor-elect Powers has given out the following appoint-

Deputy auditor general, John F. Wilkinson, Berrien; chief clerk, Geo. of the new appointees or of the clerks speedy and effectual." whom they will displace, the an-

#### HAD HIS LEG AMPUTATED.

About five weeks ago, Robert Agar of Evergreen was thrashing in Moore is Establishing Free Mail Routes and Secure township. While driving a tank wagon on a dark night, he unfortunately ran against the guy wire which suproad article we never dreamed that ported a smoke stack of a mill in that some other mortal in this neck o' the vicinity and without a moments warnwoods was inspired with the same ing the stack gave away and fell on thoughts and was building railroads Mr. Agar, breaking his left leg below on paper. However, such was the the knee. It was thought by several case. The editor of the Courier had physicians that the fracture could be reduced, but in spite of all the medical aid which was given him, the limb became worse and for several weeks the patient suffered untold agony. Finally his physician, Dr. Deming, concluded that the limb must come off.

Last Sunday was the day set for the operation. Dr. D. P. Deming, assisted by Drs. Simington and McCray of Marlette, performed the operation. At this writing, Mr. Agar is doing well and a speedy recovery is looked for. Mr. Agar and his family have the hearty sympathy of their friends

#### AN IMPORTANT INDUSTRY.

The past year has not been the best of apple seasons, yet most orchards yielded a fair crop and a few showed up better than in any previous seasor. There was an unusual amount of cull apples in all orchards and most of chese were converted into eider and

The firm of Schenck & Benkelman, proprietors of the Cass City cider mill, have just balanced their books and these show that they made 15,000 gallons of cider and about 300 gallons of apple butter and jelly. Figuring upon the basis, that it takes about one bushel of apples to make 3½ gallons of cider, they must have handled about some is stowed away in the cellars of ing the cold and dreary days of the winter months.

#### PROSPEROUS YEAR.

W. C. Janks wore a broad smile on Tuesday last. It was the first anniversary day of his advent as dealer in yards. meats in our city. In response to a question put by a Chronicle scribe he said: "I am happy. We opened Cass City again defeated Caro at am more than pleased with the sucthe future."

Mr. Janks and his associates have certainly labored hard to please the community and today they have a tasty, up-to-date meat market, well patronized by the people of this community.

#### REST IN PEACE.

One of the most patient and kindhearted women of this entire comby the Cass City team is the increased munity passed from this life Sunday morning. We refer to Mrs. John Bordt, who lived with her husband and two children on Sam'l Benkelman's farm on the county line, three niles east and one and a half mile west of the city. Mrs. Bordt had peen afflicted for several months past and during all her suffering never murmured or repined. She was an ideal Christian and when death came, although only 46 years old, it found her ready to depart in peace. The funeral was held at the Baptist church on Wednesday. Pastor Rushbrook Last Saturday the state officers elect preached an appropriate sermon.

#### WHAT WE WOULD ADVISE.

Editor Keyes of the Lexington News gives the following free advice to the Caro Journal:

"Editor Evans of the Caro Journal M. Dewey, Shiawassee; assistant says he will waste no more ammuni- of great activity among the merham; abstract clerk, Arthur P. Loom- cil pusher of the Advertiser. Bro. fine stores in our up-to-date, village State Accountant Humphrey will be money, and no one can afford to near at hand. retained for the present. Although throw it away. Try number one buck-

nouncement includes the statement Caro Journal a piece of our mind, we on the market, you can find it for that new clerks will be appointed to would suggest that they let up on the sale in the stores of Cass City. We serve from Jan. 1, by counties as fol- Advertiser racket for a while, until would advise our readers to buy their lows: Three from Ingham, two each Morningstar, the so called editor of holiday goods before the rush. Folfrom Jackson, Wayne, Clinton and the Journal, pays his debts, and Evans low the merchants example and get Eaton; one each from Lenawee, Kala- the so called publisher of the same on the ground early. Watch the colmazoo, Branch, Macomb, Oakland, paper, pays for the paper stock which mans of the Chronicle for every live Ottawa, Kent, Ionia, Shiawassee, La- formerly belonged to Klump & Morn- dealer in Cass City is represented Dec. 19, if the highest market price is peer, Saginaw, Osceola Isabelle, Mont-lingstar, which Morningstar according there. calm, Wexford and Bay. This makes to a written agreement promised to a total of 27, and that number of pay for, but thus far has failed to heads will fall into the basket. Both meet his just obligations. We think the new clerks and those to be retired this would be more manly than to possibly the last of the season. Highwill be notified from Cadillac this buy number one buckshot for the ben- est market price. Load at the depot. efit of the Advertiser.

#### CONGRESSMAN FORDNEY BUSY

Pensions for His Constituents.

Congressman Joseph W. Fordney has just secured the establishment of a rural free delivery route from Laings burg, 17 miles through the surround ing country, by which 260 Shiawassec county families will be served. The new route will be opened Dec. 15. He has also secured the following pen-

Mrs. Ellen E. Parks, Reese, Tuscola county, the accumulation of her hus band's pension; Joseph Budd of Saginaw, an increase to \$12 per month, dating from April 5, 1899; Adelia Fa sette, Saginaw, an original dependent mother's pension of \$12 per month. dating from Oct. 3, 1898; her son was killed in the Spanish war, died from the result of his enlistment in the Spanish war; to Celestia A. Nichols of Millington, \$8 per month, dating from Sept. 21, 1900; to Uriah Cronenvhet, Chesaning, \$8 per month, dating from May 31 last; Henry Cole, Saginaw, \$8 per month, dating from July 2 last; and Wm. Lewless, Saginaw, increase to \$12 per month, dating from Feb. 25

#### SUCCESSFUL YEAR'S WORK.

Cass City has two first class brick yards. The one is owned by Chas. Hall and the other by the Cass City Brick & Tile Co. The last named company consists of Messrs. Brooker, Sheridan, Heller, Fritz and Brother-

The products from these industries are of a first class quality and find a ready sale as soon as finished. Chas. Hall manufactured 270,000 and the Cass City Brick & Tile Co., have turned out 325,000 brick during the past 4,285 bushels of apples. Most of the season. The latter company also eider is converted into vinegar, while manufactured tile of which they made 20,000. During the past season a goodly number of farmers and will they have installed a new tile machine be used as a sort of Lebenswecker dur- and already are making arrangements to enlarge their factory and increase the facilities for the manufacture of brick and tile. It is altogether likely that several brick blocks will be erected in Cass City in the near future which will make the coming season a busy one for the brick-

#### NEARLY, WENT UP IN SMOKE.

About 12 o'clock last Saturday night fire was discovered in David Hough- REFERRED TO GASS CITY'S cess that has crowned our efforts. We ton's house on Pine St., two doors 28 to 0. The game was an exciting are doing just again as much business west from West St. Someone gave one on account of the fast playing. as we did a year ago, and we expect the alarm at once. The fire bell rang on the successive features of a true and the kazon screeched and in short revival, Dr. Morgan referred to the order the firemen with many other citizens were at the scene. After some confusion, the hose were laid and a large stream of water was sent into the flames. The work of Fire- evil influences which have seriously Young is very highly spoken of.

> No one seems to know how the fire started. The house was empty at the time. The loss is entirely covered by insurance.

#### ELKLAND TOWNSHIP TAXES.

imounts to be raised this year by tax-State Jax. 5
County tax.
Township tax (Highway).
Contingent tax
Rejected tax
School tax.
Highway labor.
Drain labor.
Excess of Roll. \$12907.61 The school tax is divided as follows: 

#### MAKING READY FOR XMAS. The holiday season is always a time

chief clerk, Wm. S. Humphrey, Ing- tion on the depraved and idiotic pen- chants. Anyone visiting the many is, Ionia. He also announced that Evans is right. Ammunition costs cannot fail but notice that Xmas is

Our merchants are progressive and not prepared to announce the names | shot. It is the cheapest, because it is | this year as in the past demonstrates the fact, that when anything new in If we should be asked to give the the various lines of goods is placed up-

#### NOTICE, FARMERS!

Wanted one car load of poultry, J. L. Hitchcock.

#### AN OLD REGIDENT CORE.

Robert G. Orr is no more. After a ingering illness of more than a year's luration, he quietly passed away last l'uesday morning. He will be missed, not only by his own family, but by the entire community.

Mr. Orr was of a somewhat peculiar make-up, and was sometimes misunlerstood, but beneath his rugged exterior there beat a kindly heart. He vas born Sept. 12, 1844 in County Down, Ireland. In 1860 he came to this country. The first three years he spent in Pennsylvania, and one in Ohio, and in 1864 he came to Michigan settling down in this place. When, he first came to Elkland the entire country was a wilderness. He had to go to Vassar and Wahjamega to mill and for his household supplies. He was married in 1870 to Miss Jennie Davidson, who died in 1871, and was again married to Miss Emma Pettit in 1878. To them were given tive children, who with the faithful wife remain to cherish his memory. The funeral was conducted by Rev. A. Torbet assisted by Dr. Morgan at the family residence on Thursday afternoon.

#### HAS MADE AN EXCELLENT SHOWING.

The T. H. & S. Fair Association met at the council rooms last Saturday and disposed of such business as is customary before the annual meeting in January. The most important item was the report of Secretary Ale, which we summarize as follows:

Receipts Disbursements  $\$2684.85 \\ 2012.88$ 

\$ 671.97

The entire expense, such as premums, races, special attructions and general expenses of the fair, is included in the above amount. This leaves the snug sum of \$671.97 in the treasury. This is an excellent record over which Secretary Ale and the entire. fair management may feel proud of.

Director Hector McDermott tendered his resignation and his successor. will be elected at the annual meeting. Mr. McDermott has served on the, Board of Directors for a number of years and it is to be regretted that circumstances prevent his acting longer, as his long experience and earnest work has been valuable to the

#### MORALS.

strong impression which he felt a year ago on coming to Cass City that it was a place in which the young people had been almost untouched by the man Marr, W. C. Janks and Harry invaded even many village communities; but that it is noticeable that forces are at work changing this condition and creating a crisis, and that among such agencies none is as dangerous and demoralizing to the young men and boys as the pool room. He knows of no other place as moral as Cass City that would give such an in-The following items show the stitution the support of a license. These facts were made the basis of an earnest plea for the establishment of a reading room, if it shall appear practicable, that it may in some measure counteract the harm that is being done to the rising generation.

#### SCHOOL ITEMS.

Sam Blade was a high school caller

Always be on time is now being practiced by high school pupils. All are preparing for examinations which will be held next week.

and your head will keep your purse Aura Schenck, Nellie Perkins and

Empty your purse into your, head,

Elsie Klump were visitors at the high school Friday. We hope soon to welcome Orrin Marr back at school as he is rapidly

improving in health. Many of the high school boys took part in the foot ball game last Friday in which Caro was defeated.

One thing which the scholars appreciate is to know that their neighbors and friends are interested in their school work.

All fowls, especially turkeys, must be in no later than Wednesday desired.

W. C. TANKS.

FOR RENT

A house on the corner of Ale and Third streets. Enquire of T. H. HUNT.

## THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

The Government of Our Acquired Territory.

SHINA MUST PUNISH AND PAY.

The Enormous Trade of the Country-Sound Financial Condition and Genoral Prosperity-The Army-Cuba's Freedom-Porto Rico's Needs.

President McKinley's message takes up first the matter of the Chinese question, in which he says:

The recent troubles in China spring from the anti-foreign agitation which for the dast three years has gained strength in the northern provinces. Their origin lies deep in the character of the Chinese races and in the traditions of their government. The Talping rebellion and the opening of Chinese ports to foreign trade and settlement disturbed alike the homogeneity and the seclusion of China.

Meanwhile foreign activity made itself felt in all quarters, not alone on the coast, but along the great river arteries and in the remoter district, carrying new ideas and introducing new associations among a primitive people which had pursued for tenturies a nettonal policy of isolation.

The telegraph and the railway spreading ever the land, the steamers plying on their waterways, the kerchant and the missionary penetrating year by year farther to the interior, became to the Chinese mind types of an allen invasion, changing the course of their national life and fraught with vague forebodings of disaster to their beliefs and their self-control.

For several years before the present troubles all the resources of foreign diplomacy, backed by moral demonstrations of the physical forces of fleets and arms, have been needed to secure due respects for the treaty rights of foreigners and to obtain satisfaction from the responsible authorities for the sporadic out-

spects for the treaty rights of foreigners and to obtain satisfaction from the responsible authorities for the sporadic outrages upon the persons and property of unoffending sojourners, which from time to time occurred at widely separated points in the acrthern provinces, as in the base of the outbreak in Sze-Chuen and Shantung.

The tect, commonly styled the Boxers, developed greatly in the provinces north of the Yang-Tse, and with the collusion of many notable cflicials, including some in the immediate councils of the throne itself, became playmingly, aggregation.

the immediate councils of the throne itself, became alarmingly aggressive. No
foreigner's life, outside of the protected
treaty ports, was safe. No foreign interest was secure from spollation.

The diplomatic representatives of the
powers in Fekin strove in vain to check
this movement. Protest was followed by
Jemand and demand by renewed protest,
to be met with perfunctory edicts from
the palace and evasive and futile assurances from the tsung li yamen. The circle of the Boxer influence narrowed about
Pekin, and while nominally stigmatized as
seditious, it was felt that its spirit peryaded the capital itself, that the imperial
brees were imbued with its doctrines,
that the immediate counselors of the
empress dowager were in full sympathy
with the anti-foreign movement.

Our Policy, Peace.

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The increasing gravity of the conditions in China and the imminence of peril to our own diversified interests in the empire, as well as to those of all other treaty governments, were soon appreciated by this government, causing it profound solleitude. The United States, from the earliest days of foreign intercourse with China, had followed a policy of peace, omitting no occasion to testify good will, to further the extension of lawful trade, to respect the sovereignty of its government, and to insure by all legitimate and kindly but earnest means the fullest Our Policy, Peace.

to respect the extension of lawful trade, io respect the sovereignty of its government, and to insure by all legitimate and kindly but earnest means the fullest measure of protection of our law-abiding citizens and for the exercise of their beneficent callings among the Chinese people. Mindful of this it was felt to be appropriate that our purpeses should be pronounced in favor of such course as would hasten united action of the powers at Pekin to promote the administrative reforms so greatly needed for strengthening the imperial government and maintaining the integrity of China, in which we believed the whole western world to be allke concerned. To these ends I caused to be addressed to the several powers occupying territory and maintaining spheres of insured in China the circular proposals of 1899, inviting from them declarations of 1899, inviting from them declarations of their intentions and views as to the desirability of the adoption of measures insuring the benefits of equality of treatment of all foreign trade throughout China.

With gratifying unanimity the responses

With gratifying unanimity the responses coincided in this common polley, enabling me to see in the successful termination of these negotiations proof of the friendly spirit which animates the various powers fortered in the the untrammeled ment of commerce and industry in the

spirit which animates the various powers faterested in the untrammeled development of commerce and industry in the Chinese empire as a source of vast benefit to the whole commercial world.

In this conclusion, which I had the gratification to announce as a completed arrangement to the interested powers on March 20, 1900, I hopefully discerned a potential factor for the abatement of the distrust of foreign purposes which for a year past had appeared to inspire the policy of the imperial government, and for the effective exertion by it of power and authority to queil the crifical anti-foreign movement in the northern provinces most immediately influenced by the manchu sentiment.

Seeking to testify confidence in the willingness and ability of the imperial administration to redress the wrongs and prevent the evils we suffered and feared, the marine guard, which had been sent to Pekin in the autumn of 1890 for the protection of the legation, was withdrawn at the earliest practicable moment, and all pending questions were remitted, as far as we were concerned, to the ordinary resorts of diplomatic intercourse.

The Chinese government proved, however, unable to check the rising strength of the Boxers and appeared to be a prey to internal dissensions. In the unequal contest the anti-foreign influences soon gained the ascendancy under the leadership of Prince Tuan. Organized armies of Boxers, with which the imperial forces affiliated, held the country between Pekin and the coast, penetrated into Manchuria up to the Russian border, and through their emissaries threatened a like rising throughout northern China.

Attacks upon foreigners, destruction of their property and slaughter of native converts were reported from all sides. The tsung il yamen, already permeated with hostile sympathy, could make no effective response to the appeals of the legations. At this critical juncture, in the carly spring of this year, a proposal was made by the other powers that a combined fleet should be assembled in Chinnese waters as a mor

neso waters as a moral demonstration under cover of which to exact of the Chinese government respect for foreign treaty rights and the suppression of the

#### The Guilty Chinks.

The slege and the relief of the legations has passed into undying history. In all the stirring chapter which records the heroism of the devoted band, clinging to hope in the face of despair, and the undaunted spirit that led their relievers through battle and suffering to the goal, it is a memory of which my countrymen.

daunted spirit that led their relievers through battle and suffering to the goal, it is a memory of which my countrymen may be justly proud that the honor of our flag was maintained alike in the slege and the rescue, and that stout American hearts have again set high, in fervent emulation with true men of other race and language, the indomitable courage that ever strives for the cause of right and justice.

The president treats at length of the struggle to relieve the legations and says: Not only are the protestations of the Chinese government that it protected and succored the legations positively contradicted, but irresistible proof accumulates that the attacks upon them were made by imperial troops, regularly uniformed, armed and officered, belonging to the command of Jung Lu, the imperial commander-in-chief. Decrees encouraging the Boxers, organizing them under prominent imperial officers, provisioning them, and even granting them large sums in the name of the empress dowager, are known to exist. Members of the tsung lyamen who counseled protection of the clistant provinces measured for for-

elgn sympathy were put to death, prominent among these being Chang Yen Hoon, formerly Chineso minister in Washington.

Washington.

With the negotiation of the partial armistice of July 14, a proceeding which was doubtless promoted by the representations of the Chinese envoy in Washington, the way was opened for the conveyance to Mr. Conger of a test message sent by the secretary of state through the kind offices of Minister Wu Ting Fang. Mr. Conger's reply, dispatched from Pekin on July 18 through the same channel, afforded to the outside world the first tidings that the inmates of the legations were still alive

outside world the first tidings that the inmates of the legations were still alive and hoping for succor.

This news stimulated the preparations for a joint relief expedition in numbers sufficient to overcome the resistance which for a month had been organizing between Taku and the capital. Reinforcements sent by all the co-operating governments were constantly arriving. The United States contingent, hastily assembled from the Philippines, or dispatched from this country, amounted to some 5,000 men, under the able command first of the lamented Col. Liscum and afterward of Gen. Chaffee.

The Innocents.

The Innocents.

Happily, the acute disturbances were confined to the northern provinces. It is a relief to recall and a pleasure to record the loyal conduct of the viceroys and local authorities of the southern and eastern provinces. Their efforts were continuously directed to the pacific control of the vast populations under their rule and to the scrupulous observance of foreign treaty rights. At critical moments they did not hesitate to memorialize the throne, urging the protection of the legations, the restoration and the assertion of the imperial authority against the subversive elements. They maintained excellent relations with the official representatives of foreign powers. To their kindly disposition is largely due the success of the consuls in removing many of the missionaries from the interior to places of safety. In this relation the action of the consuls should be highly commended. In Shang-Tung and castern Chi-Li the task was difficult; but, thanks to their energy and the co-operation of American and foreign naval commanders, hundreds of foreigners, including those of other nationalities than ours, were rescued from imminent peril.

The policy of the United States through ours, were rescued from imminent peril.
The policy of the United States through
all this trying period was clearly announced and scrupulously carried out.

The Russian proposition looking to the restoration of the imperial power in Pekin has been accepted as in full consonance with our own desires, for we have held and hold that effective reparation for wrongs suffered and an enduring settlement that will make their recurrence impossible can best be brought about under an authority which the Chinese nation reverences and obeys. While so doing we forego no jot of our undoubted right to exact exemplary and deterrent punishment of the responsible authors and abettors of the criminal acts whereby we and other nations have suffered grievous in-Punishment. ther nations have suffered grievous in-

other nations have suncted given jury.

For the real culprits, the evil counselors who have misled the imperial judgment and diverted the sovereign authority to their own guilty ends, full explation becomes imperative within the rational limits of retributive justice. Regarding this as the initial condition of an acceptable settlement between China and the powers.

Taking, as a point of departure, the imperial edict appointing Earl Li Hung Chang and Prince Ching plenipotentiaries to arrange a settlement, and the edict of September 25, whereby certain high officials were designated for punishment this government has moved, in concert with the other powers, toward the opening of negotiations, which Mr. Conger, assisted by Mr. Rockhill, has been authorized to conduct on behalf of the United States.

Indemnity.

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The matter of indemnity for our wronged sitizens is a question of grave concern. Measured by money alone, a sufficient reparation may prove to be beyond the ability of China to meet. All the powers consur in emphatic disclaimers of any purpose of aggrandizement through the disnemberment of the empire. I am disposed to think that due compensation may be made in part by increased guarantees of security for foreign rights and immunities, and most important of all, by the iceurity for foreign rights and immuni-ies, and most important of all, by the ppening of China to the equal commerce of all the world. These views have been and will be carnestly advocated by our representatives.

The government of Russia has put for-ward a suggestion that in the event of protracted divergence of views in regard to indemnities the matter may be rele-ated to the court of arbitration at The

rated to the court of arbitration at The Hague. I favorably incline to this, beleving that high tribunal could not fail to reach a solution no less conducive to the stability and enlarged prosperity of China itself than immediately beneficial to the powers. the powers.

Other Foreign Relations.

Ratifications of a treaty of extradition with the Argentine Republic were exhanged on June 2 last. While the Austro-Hungarian government While the Austro-Hungarian government has in the many cases that have been reported of the arrest of our naturalized litizens for alleged evasion of military service faithfully observed the provisions of the treaty and released such persons from military obligations, it has in some instances expelled those whose presence in the community of their origin was asserted to have a provisions influence.

instances expense those whose presence in the community of their origin was asserted to have a pernicious influence. Representations have been made against this course whenever its adoption has appeared unduly onerous.

We have been urgently solicited by Belgium to ratify the international convention of June, 1899, amendatory of the previous convention of 1890, in respect to the regulation of the liquor trade in Africa. Compliance was necessarily withheld, in the absence of the advice and consent of the senate thereto. The principle involved has the cordial sympathy of this government, which in the revisionary negotiations advocated more drastic measures, and I would gladly see its extension, by international agreement, to the reires, and I would gladly see its extension, by international agreement, to the restriction of the liquor traffic with all unvivilized peoples, especially in the western

civilized peoples, especially in the western Pacific.

A conference will be held at Brussels, December 11, 1990, under the convention for the protection of industrial property, concluded at Paris, March 20, 1883, to which delegates from this country have been appointed.

In the interest of expanding trade between this country and South America, efforts have been made during the past year to conclude conventions with the southern republics for the enlargement of postal facilities. Two such agreements were signed with Bolivia on April 24, of which that establishing the money order system is undergoing certain changes suggested by the postoffice department. A treaty of extradition with that country, signed on the same day, is before the sentice.

The Exposition.

The Exposition.

The year of the exposition has been ruitful in occasions for displaying the rood will which exists between this ountry and France. This great competion brought together from every naion the best in natural productions injustry, science, and the arts, submitted a generous rivalry to a judgment made all the more searching because of that ivalry. The extraordinary increase of xportations from this country during he past three years and the activity with which our inventions and wares and invaded new markets caused much

all, being the greatest total number given to the exhibits of any exhibiting nation, as well as the largest number in each grade. This significant recognition of merit in competition with the chosen exhibits of all other nations and at the hands of juries almost wholly made up of representatives of France and other competing countries is not only most gratifying, but is especially valuable, since it sets us to the front in internacompeting countries is not only most gratifying, but is especially valuable, since it sets us to the front in international questions of supply and demand, while the large proportion of awards in the classes of art and artistic manufactures afforded unexpected proof of the stimulation of national culture by the prosperity that flows from natural productiveness joined to industrial excelence.

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Apart from the exposition several occasions for showing international good will occurred. The inauguration in Paris of the Lafayette monument, presented by the school children of the United States and the designing of a commemorative coin by our mint and the presentation of the first piece struck to the president of the republic, were marked by appropriate ceremonies, and the Fourth of July was especially observed in the French capital.

Relations With Germany. Good will prevails in our relations with the German empire. An amicable ad-justment of the long pending question of the admission of our life insurance com-panies to do business in Prussia has been reached. One of the principal companies has already been re-admitted and way is opened for the others to share the

way is opened for the others to share the privilege.

The settlement of the Samoan problem, to which I adverted in my last message, has accomplished good results, Peace and contentment prevail in the islands.

An imperial meat inspection law has been enacted for Germany. While it may simplify the inspections, it prohibits certain products heretofore admitted. There is still great uncertainty as to whether our well-nigh extinguished German trade in meat products can revive under its new burdens. Much will Lepend upon regulations not yet promulgated, which we confidently hope will be free from the discriminations which attended the enforcement of the old statutes.

Britain and the Boers.

Britain and the Boers. Our friendly relations with Great Britain continue. The war in Southern Africa introduced important questions. A condition unusual in international war was presented in that while one belligerent had control of the seas, the other had no ports, but was only accessible through the territory of a neutral. Vexatious questions are set through Great Britain a getion in respect to neutral carroes not action in respect to neutral cargoes, not contraband in their own nature, shipped to Portuguese South Africa, on the score of probable or suspected ultimate destination to the Boer states.

Alaskan Boundary Question.

The work of marking certain provisional boundary points, for convenience of administration, around the head of Lynn canal, in accordance with the temporary arrangement of October, 1899, was completed by a joint survey in July last. The modus vivendi has so far worked without friction, and the dominion government has provided rules and regulations for securing to our citizens the benefit of the reciprocal stipuiation that the citizens or subjects of either power found by that arrangement within the temporary jurisdiction of the other shall suffer no diminution of the rights and privileges they have hitherto enjoyed. But however necessary such an expedient may have been to tide over the grave emergencies of the situation, it is at best but an unsatisfactory makeshift, which should not be suffered to delay the speedy and complete establishment of the frontier line to which we are entitled under the Russo-American treaty for the cession of Alaska.

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need of demittely marking the Alaskan boundary where it follows the Hist mer-idian.

Turkey Will Pay.

Our claims upon the government of the Our claims upon the government of the sultan for reparation for injuries suffered by American citizens in Armenia and elsewhere give promise of early and satisfactory settlement. His majesty's good disposition in this regard has been evinced by the issuance of an irade for rebuilding the American college at Harmoof.

Japan's Progress.

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The closing year has witnessed a decided strengthening of Japan's relations to other states. The development of her independent, judicial and administrative functions under the treaties which took effect July 17, 1839, has proceeded without international friction, showing the competence of the Japanese to hold a foremost place among modern peoples.

In the treatment of the dilicuit Chinese problems Japan has acted in harmonious concert with the other powers, and her

concert with the other powers, and her generous co-operation materially aided in the joint relief of the beleaguered lega-tions in Pekin and in bringing about an understanding preliminary to a settle-ment of the issues between the powers

Peace Convention.

It is with satisfaction that I am able to announce the formal ratification at the Hague, on September 4, of the deposit of ratifications of convention for the pacific settlement of international disputes by sixteen powers, namely, the United States, Austria, Belgium, Denmark, England, France, Germany, Italy, Persia, Portugal, Roumania, Russia, Siam, Spain, Sweden and Norway, and the Notherlands. Japan also has since ratified the convention.

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The Canal. The all-important matter of an inter-oceanic canal has assumed a new phase. Adhering to its refusal to reopen the ques-tion of the forfeiture of the contract of the Maritime Canal Company, which was terminated for alleged non-execution in October, 1899, the government of Nicara-October, 1899, the government of Nicaragua has since supplemented that action by declaring the so-styled Eyre-Cragin option void for non-payment of the stipulated advance. Protests in relation to these acts have been filed in the state department and are now under consideration. Deeming itself relieved from existing engagements, the Nicaraguan government showed a disposition to deal freely with the canal question either in the way of negotiations with the United States or by taking measures to promote the water way.

Overtures for a convention to effect the Overtures for a convention to effect the building of a canal under the auspices of the United States are under consideration. In the meantime the views of the congress upon the general subject, in the light of the report of the commission appointed to examine the comparative merits of the various trans-isthmian shipcanal projects, may be awaited.

I commend to the early attention of the senate the convention with Great Britain to facilitate the construction of such a canal and to remove any objection which might arise out of the convention commonly called the Clayton-Bulwer treaty.

New Treaty With Spain. Satisfactory progress has been made to Satisfactory progress has been made toward the conclusion of a general treaty of friendship and intercourse with Spain. In replacement of the old treaty, which passed into abevance by reason of the late war. A new convention of extradition is approaching completion, and I should be very much pleased were a commercial arrangement to follow. I feel that we should not suffer to pass any opportunity to reaffirm the cordial ties that existed between us and Spain from the time of our earliest independence, and to enhance the mutual benefits of that commercial intercourse which is natural between the two countries.

he past three years and the activity with which our inventions and wares and invaded new markets caused much interest to center upon the American exibit, and every encouragement was of cred in the way of space and facilities o permit of its being comprehensive as a whole and complete in every part. It was, however, not an easy task to assemble exhibits that could fitly illustrate our diversified resources and manifactures. Singularly enough, our national prosperity lessened the incentive to kibit. The dealer in raw materials the phenomenal demand for their output, not alone at home, but also abroad, where merit had already won a profitable rade.

A criterion of extent and success of our participation and of thoroughness with which our exhibits were organized as seen in the awards granted to Amercan exhibitors by the international jury, namely, grand prizes, 240; gold medals, 37; silver medals, 776; bronze medals, 41, and 1 revorable mentions, 22, 2,477 and 12 to control the past of the status before the mutual benefits of that commercial intercourse which is natural between the mutual benefits of that commercial intercourse which is natural between the mutual benefits of that commercial intercourse which is natural between the mutual benefits of that commercial intercourse which is natural between the mutual benefits of that commercial intercourse which is natural between the mutual benefits of that commercial intercourse which is natural between the mutual benefits of that commercial intercourse which is natural between the two countries.

By the terms of the treaty of peace the line bounding the ceded Philippine group in the southwest failed to include several small islands lying west of the Sulus, small islands islands where failed to include several small islands lying west of the Sulus, small islands islands lying west of the Sulus, small islands island

ed within those lines. In consideration of this cession the United States is to pay to Spain the sum of \$100,000.

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It is gratifying to be able to state that the surplus revenues for the fiscal year ended June 20, 1900, were \$79,527,000 18. For the six preceding years we had only deficits, the aggregate of which from 1894 to 1898. Inclusive, amounted to \$253,022,991 41. The receipts for the year from all sources, exclusive of postal revenues, aggregated \$567,210,851 89, and expenditures for all purposes, except for the administration of the postal department, aggregated \$567,210,851 89, and expenditures for all purposes, excell of the administration of the postal department, aggregated \$487,713,791 71. The receipts from customs were \$233,164,871 16, an increase over the preceding year of \$27,036,339 41. The receipts from internal revenue were \$225,227,226 76, an increase of \$21,800,765 25 over 1899. The receipts from miscellaneous sources were \$38,748,653 77, as against \$32,391,976 22 for the previous year. It is gratifying also to note that during the year a considerable reduction is shown in the expenditures of the government. The war department expenditures for the fiscal year 1900 were \$134,774,767 78, a reduction of \$95,066,486 69 over those of 1899. In the navy department the expenditures were \$55,583,077 72 for the year 1900, as against \$63,912,194 25 for the preceding year, a decrease of \$7,989,206 53. In the expenditures on account of Indians there was a decrease in 1900 over 1899 of \$2,530,004 33; and in the civil and miscellaneous expenses for 1990 there was a reduction of \$13,418,005 74.

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have also availed themselves largely of the privileges under the new law.

A large increase in national bank note circulation has resulted from the provision of the act which permits national banks to issue circulating notes to the par value of the United States bonds deposited as security instead of only 30 per cent therefor, as heretofore. The increase in cirof, as heretofore. The increase in circulating notes from March 14 to November 30, is \$77,889,570.

The party in power is committed to such legislation as will better make the currency responsive to the varying needs of business at all seasons and in all sections.

Foreign Trade Growing.

Our foreign trade shows a remarkable record of commercial and industrial progress. The total of imports and exports for the first time in the history of the country exceeded two billions of dollars. The exports are greater than they have ever been before, the total for the fiscal year 1900 being \$1,394,483,082, an increase over 1899 of \$167,459,780, an increase over 1899 of \$163,000,752, over 1897 of \$343,489,526, and greater than 1896 by \$511,876,144.

The growth of manufactures in the United States is evidenced by the fact that exports of manufactured products largely exceed those of any previous year, their value for 1900 being \$423,851,756, against \$339,592,146 in 1899, an increase of 28 per cent. Foreign Trade Growing.

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Agricultural products were also exported during 1900 in greater volume than in 1890, the total for the year being \$355,538, 123, against \$781,776,142 in 1899.

The imports for the year amounted to \$819,941,184, an increase over 1899 of \$152,-792,605. This increase is largely in materials for manufacture, and is in response to the rapid development of manufacturing in the United States. While there was imported for use in manufactures in 1900 material to the value of \$79,768,972 in excess of 1899, it is reassuring to observe that there is a tendency toward decrease in the importation of articles manufacturiod ready for consumption, which in 1900 formed 15.17 per cent of the total imports, against 15.54 per cent in 1899 and 21.09 per cent in 1896.

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I recommend that the congress at its present session reduce the internal revenue taxes imposed to meet the expenses of the war with Spain in the sum of thirty millions of dollars. This reduction should be secured by the remission of those taxes which experience has shown to be the most burdensome to the industries of the people.

I specially urge that there be included in whatever reduction is made the legacy tax bequests for public uses of a literary, educational or charitable character.

Encourage Shipping.

American vessels during the past three years have carried about 9 per cent of our exports and imports. Foreign ships should carry the least, not the greatest, part of American trade. The remarkable growth of our steel industries, the prog-

snould carry the least, not the greatest, part of American trade. The remarkable growth of our steel industries, the progress of shipbuilding for the domestic trade, and our steadily maintained expenditures for the navy have created an opportunity to place the United States in the first rank of commercial maritime powers.

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I am satisfied the judgment of the country favors the policy of aid to our merchant marine, which will broaden our commerce and markets and upbuild our sea-carrying capacity for the products of agriculture and manufacture, which, with the increase of our navy, mean more work and wages to our countrymen as well as a safeguard to American interests in every part of the world.

The Trusts.

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In my last annual message to the congress I called attention to the necessity for early action to remedy such evils as might be found to exist in connection with combinations of capital organized into trusts, and again invite attention to my discussion of the subject at that time, which concluded with these words:

It is apparent that uniformity of legislation upon this subject in the several states is much to be desired. It is to be hoped that such uniformity, founded in a wise and just discrimination between what is injurious and what is useful and necessary in business operations, may be obtained, and that means may be found for the congress, within the limitations of its constitutional power, so to supplement an effective code of state legislation as to make a complete system of laws throughout the United States adequate to compel a general observance of the salutary rules to which I have referred.

The whole question is so important and far-reaching that I am sure no part of it will be lightly considered, but every phase of it will have the studied deliberation of the congress, resulting in wise and judicious action.

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Restraint upon such combinations as are injurious and which are within federal jurisdiction should be promptly applied by the congress. The Philippines.

In my last annual message I dwelt at In my last annual message I dwelt at some length upon the condition of affairs in the Philippines. While seeking to impress upon you that the grave responsibility of the future government of those islands rests with the congress of the United States, I abstained from recommending at that time a specific and final form of government for the territory actually held by the United States forces and in which, as long as insurrection continues, the military arm must necessarily be supreme. I stated my purpose, until the congress shall have made known the formal expression of its will, to use the authority vested in me by the constitution and the statutes to uphold the sovereignty of the United States in those distant islands as in all other places where our flag rightfully floats, placing to that end, at the disposal of the army and navy, all the means which the liberality of the congress and the people have provided. No contrary expression of the will of the congress having been made, I have steadfastly pursued the purpose so declared, employing the civil arm as well toward the accomplishment of pacification and the institution of local governments within the lines of authority and law.

Progress in the hoped-for direction has been favorable. Our forces have successfully controlled the greater part of the islands, overcoming the organized forces of the insurgents and carrying order and administration regularly to all quarters. What opposition remains is for the most part scattered, obeying no concerted plan of strategic action, operating only by the

administration regularly to all quarters. What opposition remains is for the most part scattered, obeying no concerted plan of strategic action, operating only by the methods common to the traditions of guerrilla warfare, which, while ineffective to alter the general control now established, are still sufficient to beget insecurity among the populations that have felt the good results of our control and thus delay the conferment upon them of the fuller measures of local self-government, of education and of industrial and agricultural development which we stand ready to give to them.

By the spring of this year the effective opposition of the dissatisfied Tagals to the authority of the United States was virtually ended, thus opening the door for the extension of a stable administration over much of the territory of the archipelago. Desiring to bring this about I appointed in March last a civil commission composed of Hon. William H. Taft, of Ohio; Prof. Dean C. Wercester, of Michigan; the Hon. Luke I. Wright, of Tennessee; the Hon. Henry C. Ide, of Vermont, and Prof. Bernard Moses, of California. The effects of their mission and the scope of their authority are clearly set forth in my instructions of April 7, 1900, addressed to the sceretary of war to be transmitted to the conferces of the first of the conferce o

the secretary of war to be transmitted to them.

In the message transmitted to the congress on the 5th of December, 1900, I said, speaking of the Philippine Islands:

"As long as the insurrection continues the military arm must necessarily be supreme. But there is no reason why steps should not be taken from time to time to inaugurate governments essentially popular in their form as fast as territory is held and controlled by our troops. To this end I am considering the advisability of the return of the commission, or such of the members thereof as can be secured, to aid the existing authorities and facilitate this work throughout the islands."

The Taft Commission.

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To give effect to the intention thus expressed, I have appointed Hon. William H. Taft, of Ohio; Prof. Dean C. Worcester, of Michigan; Hon. Luke I. Wright, of Tennessee; Hon. Henry C. Ide, of Vermont, and Prof. Bernard Moses, of California, commissioners to the Phillippine Islands, to continue and perfect the work of organizing and establishing civil governments already commenced by the military authorities, subject in all respects to any laws which congress may hereafter enact.

You will instruct the commission to proceed to the city of Manila, where they will make their principal office, and to communicate with the military governor of the Philippine Islands, whom you will at the same time direct to render to then

Whenever the commission is of the opinion that the condition of affairs in the islands is such that the central administraands is such that the central administration may safely be transferred from military to civil control, they will report that conclusion to you with their recommendations as to the form of central government to be established for the purpose of taking over the control.

In the establishment of municipal governments the commission will take as the basis of their work the governments established by the military governor under his order of August 8, 1899, and under the report of the board constituted by the military governor by his order of January 29, 1890, to formulate and report a plan of municipal government, of which his honor Cayetano Arellano, president of the Audiencia, was chairman, and they will give to the conclusions of that beard the weight and consideration which the high character and distinguished abilities of its members justify.

The many different degrees of civiliza tion and varieties of custom and capacity among the people of the different islands among the people of the different islands preclude very definite instructions as to the part which the people shaft take in the selection of their own officers; but these general rules are to be observed: That in all cases the municipal officers, who administer the local affairs of the people are to be selected by the people, and that wherever officers of more extended jurisdiction are to be selected in any way, natives of the Islands are to be preferred, and if they can be found competent and willing to perform the duties, they are to receive the offices in preference to any others.

It will be necessary to fill some offices for the present with Americans which after a time may well be filled by natives of the islands. As soon as practicable a system for ascertaining the merits and fitness of candidates for civil office should be put in force. An indispensable qualification for all offices and positions of trust and authority in the islands must be absolute and unconditional loyalty to the United States, and absolute and unhampered authority and power to remove and punish any officer deviating from that standard must at all times be repreclude very definite instructions as to

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That the provision of the treaty of Parls pledging the United States to the protection of all rights of property in the islands, and as well the principle of our own government which prohibits the taking of private property without due process of law, shall not be violated; that the welfare of the people of the islands, which should be a paramount consideration, shall be attained consistently with this rule of property rights; that if it becomes necessary for the public interest of the people of the islands to of the people of the islands to dispose of claims to property which the commission finds to be not lawfully acquired and held, disposition shall be made thereof by due legal procedure, in which there shall be full opportunity for fair and impartial hearing and judgment; that if the same public interests require the extinguishment of property rights lawfully acquired and held due compensation shall be made out of the public treasury therefor; that no form of religion and no minister of religion shall be forced upon any community or upon any citizen of the islands; that, upon the other hand, no minister of religion shall be forced upon any community or upon any citizen of the islands; that, upon the other hand, no minister of religion shall be forced whith or molested in following his calling, and that the separation between state and church shall be real, entire and absolute.

It will be the duty of the commission to promote and extend, and as they find necessary to prove, the system of education already inaugurated by the railitary authorities.

The articles of capitulation of the city of Manila on the 13th of August, 1998, concluded with these words:

"This city, its inhabitants, its churches and religious wership, its educational establishments, and its private property of all descriptions, are placed under the special safeguard of the faith and honor of the American army."

I believe that this pledge has been faithfully kept.

Amnesty Proclamation.

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Coincidently with the entrance of the commission upon its labors I caused to be issued by Gen. MacArthur, the military governor of the Philippines, on June 21, 1900, a proclamation of amnesty in generous terms, of which many of the insurgents took advantage, among them a number of important leaders.

Our Wards. I have on another occasion called the Filipinos "the wards of the nation." Our obligation as guardian was not lightly assumed; it must not be otherwise than honestly fulfilled, aiming first of all to have the thore whe have some under the honestly fulfilled, alming lift of all to benefit those who have come under Ar fostering care. It is our duty so to treat them that our flag may be no less beloved in the mountains of Luzon and the fertilozones of Mindanao and Negros than it is at home, that there as here it shall be the revered symbol of liberty, enlightenment and progress in every avenue of development.

Porto Rico. I recommend that legislation be enacted I recommend that legislation be enacted by the congress conferring upon the secretary of the interior supervision over the public lands in Porto Rico, and that he be directed to ascertain the location and quantity of lands the title to which remained in the crown of Spain at the date of cession of Porto Rico to the United States, and that appropriations necessary for surveys be made, and that the methods of the disposition of such lands be prescribed by law.

Cubal's Election.

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On the 25th of July, 1900, I directed that a call be issued for an election in Cuba for members of a constitutional convention to frame a constitution as a basis-for a stable and independent government in the island. The election was held on the 15th of September and the convention assembled on the 5th of November, 1900, and is now in session.

Pacific Cable.

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I renew the recommendation made in my special message of February 10, 1899, as to the necessity for cable communication between the United States and Hawaii, with extension to Manila. Since then circumstances have strikingly emphasized this need. Surveys have shown the entire feasibility of a chain of cables which at each stopping place shall touch on American territory, so that the system shall be under our own complete control. Manila once within telegraphic reach, connection with the systems of the Asiatic coast would open increased and profitable opportunities for a more direct cable route from our shores to the Orient than is now afforded by the trans-Atlantic, Continental and trans-Asian lines. I urge attention to this important matter.

The Army.

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The present strength of the army is 100,000 men—65,000 regulars and 35,000 volunteers. Under the act of March 2, 1899, on the 30th of June the present volunteer force will be discharged and the regular army will be reduced to 2,447 officers and 29,025 enlisted men.

We will be required to keep a considerable force in the Philippine islands for some time to come. From the best information obtainable, we will need there for the immediate future from 45,000 to 60,000 men. I am sure the number may be reduced as the insurgents shall come to acknowledge the authority of the United States, of which there are assuring indications.

It must be apparent that we will require an army of about 60,000 and that during present conditions in Cuba and the Philippines the president should have authority to increase the force to the present number of 100,000. Included in this number authority should be given to raise native troops in the Philippines up to 15,000, which the Tatt commission believe will be more effective in detecting and suppressing guerillas, assassins and Ladrones than our own soldlers.

I renew the recommendation made in my last annual message that the congress-provide a special medal of honor for the volunteers, regulars, sailors and marines on duty in the Philippines who voluntarily remained in the service after their terms of enlistment had expired.

Tile Navy. Very efficient service has been rendered by the navy in connection with the insur-rection in the Philippines and the recent disturbance in China:

A very satisfactory settlement has been made of the long-pending question of the manufacture of armor plate. A reasonable price has been secured and the necessity for a government armor

I approve of the recommendations of the secretary for new vessels and for additional officers and men which the required increase of the navy makes necessary.

Pensions.

At the end of the fiscal year there were on the pension roll 993,522 names, a net increase of 2,010 over the fiscal year 1899. The number added to the rolls during the year was 45,344. The amount disbursed for army pensions during the year was \$134, a total of \$138,402,130 65, leaving an unexpended balance of \$5,542,768 25 to be covered into the treasury, which shows an increasa over the previous year's expenditure of \$107,077 70. There were 684 names added to the rolls during the year by special acts passed at the first session of the fifty-sixth congress. sixth congress.
The act of May 9, 1900, among other things provides for an extension of income to widows pensioned under said act to \$250

to widows pensioned under said act to \$250 per annum. The secretary of the interior believes that by the operations of this act the number of persons pensioned under it will increase, and the increased annual payments for pensions will be between \$3,000,000 and \$1,000,000.

Much interesting information is given in the report of the governor of Hawaii as to the progress and development of the islands during the period from July 7, 1898, the date of the approval of the joint resolution of congress providing for their annexation, up to April 30, 1900, the date of the approval of the act providing a government for the territory, and thereafter. The last Hawaiian census, taken in the year 1896, gives a total population of 109,-020, of which 31,019 were native Hawaiians. 620, of which 31,019 were native-Hawaiians. The number of Americans reported was 8,485. The results of the federal census, taken this year, show the islands to have a total population of 154,001, showing an increase over that reported in 1296 of 44;–981, or 41:2 per cent.

There has been marked progress in the educational, agricultural and railroad development of the islands.

SCRAPS.

The Sunday schools in Spain are

said to have only 3,200 pupils. The czar has 27,000 wood police, who each cut £45 worth of wood a vear. A memorial bust of Chopin has been

unveiled in the Luxembourg Gardens

at Paris.

There are 994 creameries in Iowa, a net increase over those of a year ago of forty-six. King Oscar of Sweden is the tallest

reigning monarch. He is a little over six feet. There are 300,000 French Canadians, of whom 25,000 are voters, in Massa-

chusetts. The baggage checking system, which is universal in America, is coming into use in England.

Thirty-six per cent of the area of the state of Washington is covered with merchantable timber. The Argentine Republic exported

only 205,105 bales of wool last year, as against 287,479 in 1898. Australians hold a world's record in

tea consumption, drinking nearly eight pounds a head yearly. In Milwaukee recently during a

rainstorm several trees were set on fire by diverted electric currents. A new photographic machine takes five different views of a person at one

sitting. This is done by means of

mirrors. An election judge in San Francisco cast his vote early, but forgot to mark 14, and consequently it was counted as blank.

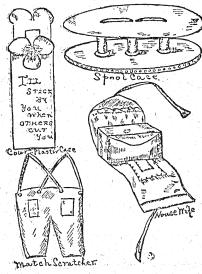
## OF CONTROL OF CONTROL WANT TO EMIGRATE. A Suggestive Letter. Jo

menced my Christmas work so will write you about it as I promised. I have a long list of friends to remember so I have chosen rather simple gifts. I am going to give Rob, who is in college, a sofa pillow. I have bought red and white checked gingham, the checks half an inch square. I shall embroider in white cotton the cross stitch on the red checks. For the back of the cover, I shall used red turkey cotton and with a dimity or fine muslin ruffle it will be a gay, useful pillow.

For Olga, I intend to make a pretty calendar. I buy thin gray cards such as are used for mounting "great paintings"; and the separate calendars may be bought. For this particular one I shall use twelve sheets having the calendar for each menth on a separate card; but others I shall make of one sheet only. These, of course, must have a bright ribbon ran through the cards to hang them. You could make very pretty calendars, using your kodack pictures. I saw some pretty ones the other day with bright colored figures cut out and pasted on gray black or red mats.

Lawrence has planned to passe-partout photographs and prints. The gummed paper comes prepared as do the rings for the back. He has the glass out to fit his picture and uses cardboard for the back. This requires a little skill and patience to do suc-

I have started a pretty knitted shawl for grandmother. I bought six skeins of Saxony wool, wound the wool in two balls, then from the two balls into one so as to have a double thread. I cast eighty stitches on large wooden needles and knit plain stitch. The shawls are about three yards long with



fringe knotted along the end. Very pretty ones are made with white and a color. I have also started some knitted wash rags, using Dexter's white ball cotton.

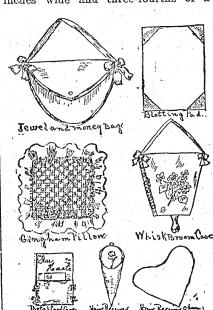
For Cousin Jane, who has such a pretty collection of doilies, I shall make a linen doilie case. I cut two pieces of cardboard about twelve inches square and cover them with linen embroidered, cretonne or silk. The covers are fastened together by ribbons. An attractive way of tying up doilies to give away is to make a little book of two pieces of cardboard tied with ribbon and paste bright-colored tissue paper on the inside of the cardboard.

Not long ago I saw a pretty "Baby Book" with blank pages and fancy covers, for recording important events in the baby's life; also, some little linen spool cases. Housewives made of cardboard covered with linen, silk or cretonne are greatly appreciated as presents. Pieces of cardboard are covered and sewed together to make a box. This is fastened to a strip of silk or linen twelve inches long and the width of the box. Pieces of flannel are sewed next to the box on one end for the neddle book and that end is turned back to form a receptacle for needles. The other end has a shirred piece sewed on for a receptacle for darning cotton. The box holds spools, emery bag, pin cushion and place for thimble.

inside lined with plain bright colored paper. Fancy striped and flowered wall paper is also used for these baskets./ The four sections of cardboard are fastened together with ribbons run through holes punched in the cardboard. A. is also making some magazine and book covers and blotting pads. The magazine and book covers are made of heavy linen starched. The corners are turned back as we turn back a paper cover in fitthe corners of the linen cover. For ting paper in place.

I think a great many people prefer

My Dear Florence: I have com- pin-cushions rather than the fancy pin-trays, so a pretty pin-cushion is always an acceptable gift. Hat-pin cushions made of Japanese dolls are pretty and useful. Use one-quarter yard of satin ribbon two and a half inches wide and three-fourths of a



yard of narrow ribbon of a contrasting color. The ribbon is folded lengthwise and sewed over until within half an inch from the top, where an opening is left to thrust the doll through. The bag is stuffed, the doll put in and the top turned down. The narrow ribbon is passed from the waist over the shoulders crossing back and front to look like Japanese costume. A belt is tied around the waiste with bow ends and a loop by which to hang up the cushion.

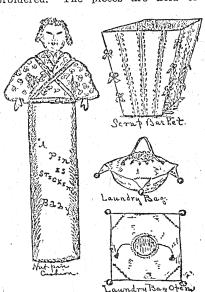
Vera is making some pretty pillows, using two bandana handkerchiefs, tying them in knots in the corners; also some white dimity pillows with hemstitched ruffles. Some she embroidered with sweet peas or forgetme-nots. She covered the pillows first with bright colored silesia.

Lawrence wants to make some match scratchers by painting a funny figure with huge trousers on bristol board or stiff water color paper and pasting squares of sand paper on the trousers to look like patches. Then neatly lettering "Scratch your matches on my Patches" on the card: Match scratchers are also made in the shape of little denim trousers with sandpaper patches on the back and ribbon or tape for suspenders to hang them

up. For a housekeeper, broom covers made of flannel the size and shape of a broom with tapes to tie them on, are most acceptable.

It is always easy to think of something to give one who travels a great deal as there are the handy little money and jewel bags made of chamois or linen; sponge cases of linen lined with rubber; manicure cases with tape or ribbon stitched in to hold the manicure articles.

For men there are whisk-broom



gether by rings with silk crocheted on cardboard covered with cretonne, the saw a pretty, odd one the other day, yielded 36 bushels to the acre. made of two pieces of denim about | Ex-Champion John L. Sullivan is out sixteen inches square, the four sides sewed together. In the center of one side of the hospital and strong and well druggists refund the money if it fails to cure again, after being a patient of the EW Grove's signature is on the box. 25c. made of two pieces of denim about side a hole was cut seven inches in Polyelinic institute, New York, for diameter. Around the opening there was a place for a drawstring. Across ation was preformed. the corners and about the opening there was feather-stitening. Balls made of white cotton on the corners finished this simply made bag.

A postal card case is easily made of a strip of stiff paper or cardboard ting it to a book, except that she sews | covered with linen about twelve inches long, one end turned up and fastened the blotting pad she takes a piece of by ribbons or crocheted rings to form staff cardboard eighteen inches by the case for the cards. A hair-reten, covers it with silk, linen or cre- ceiver may be made of linen in the tonne and sews triangular pieces of shape of a kind of cornucopia, the linen in the corners to hold the blot- front shorter than the back and buttoning over on it. Lovingly,

Katherine.

FIGURING ON NOW.

pinos Take the Oath of Allegiance.

45,344 New Names on Pension Roll. interior shows that on June 30, 1899, there were 991,519 pensioners borne apon the roll. During the fiscal year ended June 30, 1900, there were allowed vided for one, only to find that it is 40,645 pensions on original applications, and the number restored to the rolls was 4,669, making a total of new names added to the rolls of 45,344. The pensioners dropped from the rolls during the year by reason of death and all other causes aggregated 43,334, leaving the number remaining on rolls June 30, 1900, 993,529, a net increase of 2,010 year, 1899. The amount disbursed for accompanied by a submarine eruption. army pensions during the year was sions \$3,761,533.41, a total of \$138,462. The sheathing is found to have been \$134,700,597.25, and for the navy pen-130.65, showing an increase over the reversed, and the wires binding it to previous year's expenditure of \$107,-077.70. Adding the expenses of the bureau, the expenditures on account of pensions was \$142,303,837.39. There has been disbursed on account of pensions and expenses incident to the execution of the pension laws, from 1866 to 1900, inclusive, the sum of \$2,612,327,648.91.

Boers Want to Emigrate to U. S. Official inquiry has been made by Consul Hollis, at Lorenzo Marquez. regarding the possibility of 750 Boers, who wish to emigrate to the U.S. ob taining public lands on which to settle. Representative Lacey, of Iowa, chairman of the committee on public lands, said in an interview regarding the coming to America of Boer families: "If the Boers want to come to America they will be able to find plenty of land While a greater part of the most desirable land has already been pre-empted there remains enough to furnish homesteads for all the families who come. I believe the state of Texas would offer greater inducements to the Boers than any other place. It is true there are no public lands in Texas. When that state entered the union it reserved all its lands, and they are now known as school lands. They can be bought for from \$1.25 to \$2 an acre, with five years to pay it in. There will also be several million acres of good land in Oklahoma opened for settlement in the spring."

Horrible Crime in Texas.

Screams of agony brought policemen to a saloon in East Dallas, Tex., on the 3d. Seated in a chair, unable to move, was a man whose garments were a mass of flames. The officers say two men were standing behind the bar, smoking eigars and watching the unfortunate man, who was being roasted to death. The officers succeeded in extinguishing the flames but the unfortunate man died later at the hospital.

Oklahoma's Progress. The annual report of the governor precedented manner. The total as- At your grocers. 10 ets. covered with linen, the top piece em- is \$49,338,661. an increase of \$6,386,247 The biggest fool is the man who consessed valuation of property this year broidered. The pieces are held to- over 1899. The report argues the siders himself the wisest. state's claim to statehood.

2,200 Filipinos Take the Oath.

the Philippines, when 2,200 natives of the region, nearly all fighting rebels, crowded the church and took the oath of allegiance to the United States The oath was administered by the priest. All but 500 of those sworn were bolomen. The number included by taking Knill's Red Pills for Wan the 1,200 bolomen who had previously People "Pale or Weak." Only 25c. surrendered

NEWSY BREVITIES.

Russia is experiencing a coal famine. Bryan's plurality in Kentucky, according to the official count, was 8,098.

Carter's Ink or he can get it for you. Ask him. Try it. Car loads are sent annually to every state in the Union. Do you buy Carter's? Four members of Cleveland's council Four members of Cleveland's council A bicycle rider on a rough road is prone to be must answer to the charge of bribery. lieve that there are sermous in stones. Ruhlin and Maher, who meet in a sixround bout at Philadelphia on Dec. 17, have started to train for the fight. Thos. Welch, a resident of Lake

township. Huron county, has threshed Alice is making a waste basket of them. Too there are laundry bags. I the wheat from 44 acres of land that the

two months, where a dangerous oper-

Bobby Dobbs, the colored lightweight champion fighter, sustained his reputation by easily defeating Ed. Wall, the southern lightweight champion, in the arena of the Phoenix Athletic club, at Memphis, Tenn., on the night of the 4th.

Dr. Thompson, of Williamsport, Pa., and Adam Bailey, of Panther, W. Va., were shot and killed on the night of the 6th by Jas. II. Chambers, a prominent merchant of the latter place. The tragedy was one of the bloodiest and most shocking that has occurred in that part of the state for a long time.

Five railway employes were instantly killed and 12 people injured by the explosion of a boiler in the power house of the Chicago & Northwestern road at Chicago on the 3d. Several of the in- O. ENDSLEY, Vanburen, Ind., Feb 10, 1900. jured are hurt so badly that they may

The W. C. T. U. in session at Washington, on the 4th adopted resolutions against the canteen and the importation of liquor and opium into the Philippines and drew up petition to the great powers of the world, asking for an international treaty to forbid the sale of liquor, opium and firearms in regions inhabited chiefly by aborigines.

Women Suffer to Retain Beauty. Nowadays the profession of the beauty doctors ought to be a very lusiders it her duty as well as pleasure no improvement upon the old, must be bitter indeed, especially as the fee for this particular process is a very large

New Theory of Galveston's Rulns. It is believed by the engineers who are repairing the Galveston-Mexico cable, which was broken by the Galveston hurrricane, that the storm was The evidence of this eruption is found in the twisted condition of the cable.

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hands and arms. I was so nervous that I could scarcely feed myself. In fact, my nervous system was wrecked.

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It is stated that certain natives of touch its kneee, the orang its ankle Dahomey now in Paris have longer and the gibbon its foot. The averarms than any negroes ever measured. age European can touch only half way The lower the race to which a man down his thigh. The negro greatly exbelongs the longer is his arm-the cels the European in this. It has nearer, the Darwinians would say, is often been remarked that negro solhis kinship to the ape. When stand- diers standing at drill bring the miding upright and reaching down with dle finger top an inch or two nearer the middle finger the chimpanzee can the knee than the white man can do.

THAT IS WHAT THE BOERS ARE crative one, when every woman conto keep young and youthful looking as long as possible—and sometimes More Than a Score of People Were Killed longer. Many are the wonderful skin and 60 Were Injured in a Wreck on and wrinkle cures, some of them exthe Mexican Central in Texas-Fift- tromely painful, which these seekers after beauty undergo with wonderful heroism, the result in many cases justifying the suffering; but, unfortunate-The report of the secretary of the ly, the result is always in doubt, as even the beauty doctor will tell her natients, and to endure the pain and discomfort of having a new skin pro-

the core turned the wrong way.

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#### RURAL CONVENIENCES.

Those who study social problems point out that one of the growing evils of the times is the fact that country life is becoming more irksome and the tendency is for young people in the farming districts to move to the large centers of population for the enjoyment of a seemingly brilliant 'city life'

This has resulted in the overcrowding of the great cities and in untold Germans and immigrants from other the families grew up; they too, fell

try. It cannot be demed that there is foundation for the complaint, but a remedy now offers which will go far to alleviate this isolation. Nothing should be established. Otherwise the there is one place in Cass cities will continue to grow at the ex-City to get them and that's pense of the farms. The free delivery pense of the farms. The free delivery system has long been in successful operation in rural England, and experiments which have been made in the United States for the past four years have convinced the postal authorities that the time has come for a government with strong backing was more general application. Acting on more likely to be paid than a good this conviction, the postmaster gener- claim with a weak backing. Be that al will ask congress this winter for a as it may, there is no doubt that the sufficient appropriation to provide for present system has many faults. more than a 4,000 additional rural de-

livery routes. Michigan is already fairly well cared ed. With rural mail service and the fast increasing electric railroad ser- Court of Claims and defended by the vice is bound to make farm property Attorney General and his assistants, more valuable. Instead of the farmer retiring now and going to the city or to Congress at the beginning of each village to live, it will be the city merchant who will take up his residence in the country where he may enjoy the pure fresh air of the 'eve time, the serving of fresh vegetables daily on his tables and other comforts that only come to the rural resident. He will be enabled to reach his place of business fully as early as he does at the present day; he will live of claims. Generally only one side is longer and he will live better and his heard; that of the claimant, and uslonger and he will live better and his children will have the advantage of ually the claimant who can bring all that children require to develop body, mind and character.

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The above caption is the title of a ever, have only considered a small Malissa Barber, Sanilac Co.....31 phamphlet sent out by the State Liin the pamphlet are the following:

"The first thing necessary is to awaken in the people of a village or city a library spirit and a desire for the establishment of a library as a part of the municipal government. Bills ting the condition one Congress are reintropart of the municipal government: The influence of the local papers duced in succeeded Congresses, again should be seen. 8. the clergyman and referred and again printed, many of have been issued in Sanilac county. teachers should take hold of the mat- them going through this tedious routter, the representative men and women of the city should by word and pen arouse public sentiment in behalf of justice. If redress can be offered, com- Ada J. Wilson it for granted that all are interested in the betterment of the city which is their home. Petitions should be circulated and signed if possible by every taxpayer, the children and young people should unite in such a petition. The moral effect of such a force would what is paid members of the U.S. nored by the city officers.

"We will suppose that a small vil- the positions. lage or township wishes to establish a free public library. The first act nibus bill for the admission as states under the law would be to circulate a petition asking that a tax for this Mexico and Arizona, but the intropurpose be levied and that the village duction by Senator Fairbanks of a or township clerk give notice that at separate bill for the admission of Okthe next annual election voters may lahoma indicates that it will not be vote for or against a mill tax for a carried out. It is very doubtful free public library. Before the elec- whether any legislation of this sort tion the matter should be thoroughly will get through at this session, owing agitated publicly and privately. The to lack of time. value of a library to the community and its importance as a factor in the the Army bill reported to the House education of the young should be dis- this week really has not a word against cussed. The establishment of a free the continuance of the army canteen. public library in a village or town is It merely provides that no officer or an object lesson for the neighboring enlisted man in the army shall sell inlocalities, and speaks volumes for the toxicants. intelligence of the people."

#### WASHINGTON LETTER

Congress is living up to the taik of making this a strictly business session. Old stagers do not remember any first week of a session of Congress in which so much important work has been accomplished as was done last week. The Senate started right in by making the ship subsidy bill the regular order of business, thus displacing and virtually killing the Spooner Philippine bill, and the Hay-Pauncefoot treaty, which it is desired to get ratified before the Nicaraguan Canal bill is taken up, is being pushed in executive sessions. The House has had one of the regular appropriation bills—Legislative, Executive and Judicial—reported; has passed the Army reorganization bill and the Oleomargarine bill, and the Revenue reduction bill has been reported.

Senator Morgan, who as chairman of the Canal committee, has charge of the Nicaragua blil, says the report of the Canal Commission in favor of the Nicaragua route has removed the last vestige of doubt of the passage of that measure. He has served notice upon the steering committee that he has no objection to allowing other bills to be ing of the great cities and in untold misery, yet the tendency remains. bill for a reasonable time, but that he old Fairweather Stand, Cass City. for a while Scandinavians, thrifty has the votes pledged to take up and the bill at any time and that he will nations took the places of our young not hesitate to do so if at any time he farmers white fersettk farm life; but as has reason to believe that such underhanded methods as have been used in under the charm of "city life" and the past against the canal are being many were drawn to the thickly pop- resorted to, to prevent action on the bill. That is strong talk, but Senator Isolation is the chief complaint Morgan is not the sort of man to against the healthful life of the coun- indulge in idle threats.

The economically inclined Senators and Representatives feel thankful to the President for calling attention so could have a more beneficial effect pointedly to the danger of being than the proposed extension of the tempted to make extravagant apfree postal delivery in rural districts propriations because there is a big and the cities a balance of some kind surplus in the treasury. The warning was never more needed, for at no session of Congress ever held has there been more clamorous demand for all sorts of big appropriations. The duction bill in the Ways and Means leaders have a hard job to keep the appropriations within bounds.

It has been more than once asserted that a fraudulent claim against the Representative Rixey of Va., a member of the House Committee on Claims, has introduced a bill reversfor in the way of rural mail delivery ing the present practice by requiring but the service will be largely extend- that claims, instead of going first to Congress, shall be first asserted in the and that that the Court shall forward session the facts in the cases passed upon. Speaking of the need for the Rixley said: "The present system is favorable for large claims and for Reba Meredith, Freiburgers. 22 Geese...

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Bus noted on a still smaller part cent itorious than others or have the merit Lena Richards, ine and getting no farther for decades. Effic Alexander, Such delays amount to a denial of Albert Robertson, Marion.....24

Schator Stewart has introduced a bill for the creation of a Supreme Court of the Philippines, to be composed of five judges appointed for life; with salaries of \$20,000 a year. He says he placed the salaries at double be tremendous, and could not be ig- Supreme Court for the purpose of are first class. Try them. 5-25-tf. tempting able lawyers into accepting

There has been some talk of an omof the territories of Oklahoma, New

The so called anti-canteen clause of

It is now believed that the brewers have won their fight for a reduced ter or to draw pies, etc., from the oven, Subscribe for the Chronicle. beer tax. The fight was strong and I am sure they save my poor enough to hold up the Revenue re- cloths from many a burn."

#### If its money you want to save come to the

## Big Bankrupt Clothing Sale

We make no idle boasts or promises, but we save you something on every purchase made here be it large or small.

Do you need a Suit or Overcoat? You will never have a better opportunity to supply you wants than at present. \$5.00, 7.50 and 9.00 give you

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many of our patrons we have decided to continue our cloak sale for a short time only. We show by far the largest stock in town and every garment is new—this season's style and right up-to-date. Fur Collarettes, \$1.50 and upward; Fur Scarfs, 1.50 upwards

The cloak bargain of the season is the Child's Jackets at 1.50. Think of in—a heavy Melton Cloth Jacket with deep sailor collar, all sizes for 1.50.

Owing to the urgent reguest of

Underwear, Overshirts, and Gloves at the lowest prices ever named. Get your wants supplied before assortment are too badly broken.

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## What is the use

of using interfering straps? Why not take your horse to Lon Pierce, the horse shoer, and have him shod properly. All kinds of repairing done in wood

## LON PIERCE,

Successor to H. S. Wickware.

Committee, which had intended that Heller's White Lily, Heller's Best and this bill should be one of the first reported to the House. It is a case of politics, but not altogether of party, as it is said that the tax on bee-\$1.60 a barrell-in the bill reported to the Hotise by the committee, is not low enough for the democrats, and that Representative Richardson, the democratic leader, will propose an amendment making a lower tax. In plain words, the political leaders all-court the support of the brewers.

MARRIAGE LICENSES have been issued in Tuscola county. 

The following marriage licenses John McCallum, Worth......22 Prayton Rich, Bridgehampton....21 Nellie Hunter, Marron.....18 Chas, Parker, Washington. 22 Jennie Milburn, Sanifac. 21

WHeller's White Lily, Heller's Best and Success Spring Wheat flours

"Helping Hands." A writer in Home Chat says as she passed through the kitchen of a friend who is an up to date housekeeper

that the cook was diving with a mysterious sort



Patronize home industry and use Whips, Nets, Lapdusters, Success Spring Wheat flours. None better. 5-25-tf.

## CASS CITY MARKETS.

Cass City, Mich., Dec. 14, 1900 Wheat, No. 1 white.... Wheat, No. 2 red.... Rye, No. 2.... White oats, No. 2.... Hand picked beans.... Beef, live weight......3 00 The following marriage licenses Sheep live weight, per 10...... Lambs. Dressed Beef...... 5-51/2 Ohleken..... 23 Turkey .... ROLER MILLS.

Bolted meal, per cwt.....

22 Buckwheat flour....

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At once to sell new thing just out. salary or commission. For further particulars, enclose stamp to

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A Merry Xmas,

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We also manufacture Plow Points for all plows, and Stone Boats with Cast Fronts: Give us a call and we will save you

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be sure and get what you want. We guarantee our work as represented. Our work is right and prices are

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Repairing promptly and neatly done.

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Heller's Best.

THEY ARE THE BEST ON THE MARKET.

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Go to

Mrs. M. Moore's

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We carry as fine a stock as was eyer brought to Tuscola County. Examine our stock and prices before purchasing elsewhere. We can save you money. Miss Gallup of Detroit has full charge of the Trimming Room and is both competent and willing to please the most fastidious. A full line of Embroidery Material and Fancy Goods. Earnestly soliciting a share of your trade,

I am respectfully,

Mrs. M. L. Moore

## Tri-County Chronicle.

SUPPLEMENT.

Cass City, Mich., December 14, 1900.

# A Matchmaker Matched

Mrs. Desmond was a supreme disposer of men. They were the pawns in the checkered game of her life. She could mate in a move. Marriage was a sort of homicidal mania with her. Nobody ever made the slightest resistance against her decrees. When she thought it proper for a man to propose to a girl, she simply told him that the hour had arrived. She was as incontrovertible as the guillotine.

But Tony Seton was Mrs. Desmond's despair

Three times had she invited him to her country house, and twice had he returned unbeguiled into marriage. Now she was in despair.

Mrs. Desmond was honestly fond of Tony Seton. She would have done almost anything for him, except let him remain single. That was too much even for her affection. "Bachelors and funerals I hate," she said. Tony, even though he were a bachelor, she could not hate. He was too big and brown and boylsh for that. Nobody ever hated him.

"Tony," said Mrs. Desmond one morning, "Tony, I am going to give you one more chance. A girl is coming to see me-charming girl—by that I mean a rich girl. That is my idea of a charming girl. Her name is Viola Lorimer. Now, Tony," and Mrs. Desmond shook her forefinger at him menacingly, "this is your very last chance. Think of all I have done for you. You have been almost as much trouble and worry to me as my husband was. He was a singularly thoughtless man until he conceived the idea of dying. Well. I suppose every one has one clev-

er idea some time, only so few act upon it. You have been my despair for three years. You'd be a widower with a lot of money if you had been expeditious. And now you've let Fanny Russell engage herself to this—this cousin."

"But I don't love any girls," expostulated Tony, getting redder as his hostess enumerated his delinquencies.

"Love them?" she exclaimed scornfully. "I am talking of marriage. Now, I want you to make up your mind—or whatever you call it—to marry Viola Lorimer. She is a woman of the world, and you will be admirably suited to each other. Incidentally, she is very rich. Will you promise to do this for me? Really, you owe me something"

"You have been awfully good to me,"

acknowledged Tony.
"Of course I have," she agreed. "I have been perfect to you. Did I ever make you do anything disagreeable, such as getting me ices at parties or dancing with dull debutantes? Never."

"But you want me to marry some

"Any one," she corrected. "In small matters like that I may be exigeante, I own, but in big, worldly affairs I am extremely liberal. I never made you leave cards after one dinner before I asked you to another, did I?"

"There, you see! You will never have a friend like me, not even if you live to be a thousand. Now, you must ask Miss Lorimer to marry you."

"Perhaps she won't," suggested Tony, with a suspicion of hope in his voice.

"Oh, pooh!" said Mrs. Desmond conclusively. "She will jump at you. You are very good looking. Do you know that, Tony? Only you must be careful not to get fat. You big, fair people so often get fat in your old age. Let me see, how old are you? Twenty-eight! Heavens! You ought to have been married ages ago."

In due course Tony Seton was introduced to Miss Lorimer, and he was fain to acknowledge that she was charming. Tony, who had never known a moment of fear in his whole life, realized that he was in great danger. He had killed grizzlies in the Rocky mountains, and he had hunted tigers in Indian jungles, but he felt very insecure when, a week after his introduction, he found himself in the leafy seclusion of the conservatory alone with Misp Lorimer.

Tony asked her to marry him, and she refused him point blank. She explained that she was engaged alrendy. She let Tony hold her hand, however. Tony was not above those things, even though he was unmarried.

Later he told Mrs. Desmond that he had been refused, and Mrs. Desmond was furious. She stamped her footit was so small and daintily shod that such displays of rage were picturesque—and finally from sheer disappointment and chagrin she began to cry. She was going back to London on the following day, and Tony unengaged. Somebody must marry Tony. It was grotesque

Poor Tony had never seen Mrs. Desmond do anything but laugh, and he had always taughed with her. He heslated an instant, wondering what to to and then suddenly she found herself in his arms.

"I love you," whispered Tony,

"So do I." she said irrelevantly.
"And I want to marry you," he add-

And Mrs. Desmond gave his big hand a little squeeze and dried her eyes and smiled again.

"So do I," she reiterated. Then Tony kissed her.

"I wouldn't have had you go back to London unengaged for—for anything!" confessed Mrs. Desmond.—Exchange. She Has Decided.

After many reported betrothals the interesting young queen of Holland at last owns up to an engagement. The lucky man is Duke Henry von Meck-



QUEEN WILHELMINA.

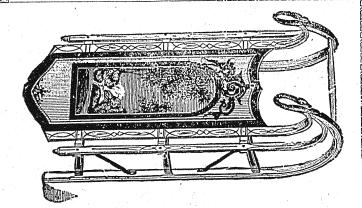
lenburg-Schwerin. Queen Wilhelmina is 20 years of age, and her future husband is 24. He is a handsome man of military bearing and is a lieutenant in the Prussian guard.

Paul and the Methuens.

Lord Methuen has a partiality for President Kruger and all because of the Paul they bear in common for their Christian names. This partiality of the Methuens for the name of Paul is a matter of heredity. Lord Methuen's father bore the name, so did his grandfather, so does his brother, and so do his own three sons, the eldest owning it as his first name, the two younger as their second names.

# Toy Land





Where the brilliancy and display is so great that it is fairly dazzling. Why you can see Elegant Presents for all ages from the little babe to the grandma. Any person intending to purchase can't afford to buy until you have seen our stock and you should not wait until the last minute for the very thing you wanted somebody else has selected.



## In our Grocery Dept.

We have a tremendous stock of Candies and Nuts especially for the holiday trade.

G. A. STEVENSON

Merry Christmas to all.

The Mutilated Bill Swindle.

The antiquity of a swindle rarely interferes with its success if it be skillfully managed, else one confidence game that has recently been played here profitably wou! hever have been revived. It depends on the practice of the United States government in redeeming any part of a torn bill for the amount of money it represents. The value of a part of a bill is very exactly determined by means of an apparatus which measures the fragment of the bill with the greatest accuracy. This mechanism prevents anybody from getting in return for part of a torn bill any more than it is really worth.

That fact is not generally known, and it is the ignorance of the public in the matter that has lately made possible the success of a well dressed swindler who has been operating down town. He has with him parts of a \$10 bill bearing the bill number. He explains to waiters, barkeepers, cashiers and similar persons that he is too busy to go to the subtreasury and redeem the bill for which he could secure the full value. He offers for that reason to dispose of the torn piece for a small sum and has succeeded in getting from \$5 to \$7 for fragments of a bill that could never be redeemed for more than half those sums.

The purchasers, of course, had confidence in the mistaken theory that the full value of a bill would be paid at the treasury for any part of it, however small the section might be. By dividing a \$10 bill into five or six pieces and selling them on such liberal terms this form of swindling may be made very profitable.—New York Sun.

#### A Supreme Court Jest.

An eminent lawyer, one of the most eminent in the United States, was in the midst of an argument in defense of the patent rights of his client to a newfangled collar button that was being unlawfully manufactured by the people on the other side of the case. The distinguished counsel was describing the patent referred to and its many advantages when Justice Shiras interrupted him and in a most serious manner observed:

"I should like to ask the learned counsel if his client manufactures a collar button that won't roll under the bed."

Of course the court was shocked. Some young people in the seats reserved for spectators tittered, and the marshal, rapping on his desk with his gavel, roared, "Silence in this honorable court!" The eminent counsel maintained his gravity, although his soul must have been deeply stirred, and had presence of mind enough to turn the incident to his own advantage, saying with emphasis:

"I have the honor to inform the court that the collar button manufactured by my client is unique in that as well as in other respects, but my client would not be so selfish as to patent so important a benefit to mankind."—Chicago Record.

#### Wrestle With This Problem.

Here is a little genealogical problem which perhaps some of our readers can solve. A man writes to the Liverpool Post, saying: "I have, like the rest of human beings, two parents. They in turn had each two. These four grandparents had each two, and so on. Now, if we take on an average four generations to a century 33 generations have passed away since the time of William, the Conqueror, and by the simple process of multiplying two by itself 33 times I find that at the date of the Norman conquest I must have had 8,589,-934.582 ancestors of that generation. But this is eight or nine times the total population of the globe at the present day and must be fully 30 or 40 times the total number of human beings living in the eleventh century, so that there must be a fallacy in my calculation somewhere. Can anybody tell me," he asks, "what the fallacy is?"

#### Moon Worship In China.

The fete of the moon is celebrated in the eighth month of the year, and this lasts six days. Presents are then made on which the figure of the moon is apparent, and a large pagoda is illuminated. Firecrackers and music and family reunions prevail. A midnight banquet on the last night terminates the

feast, and then the descent of the goddess' of the moon, which we call the man in the moon, is awaited. She is supposed to visit the earth at this time to grant the wishes of mortals. The moon with the Chinese is the patroness of poetry, and autumn is the poet's favorite season.—Leslie's Weekly.

#### Evolution of Vanderbilt.

An old friend who keeps autographs as a fad pointed out to me recently the evolution of the name of Vanderbilt as we have it at the present time. The original was Van der Bilt. The old commodore signed it thus: "Van Derbilt." William H. signed it "Van derbilt." leaving a distinct space between the 'n" and the small "d," as his father did between the "n" and the capital "D." Most of the present generation make one word of it.—New York Press

The Oldest Christian Hymn.

The oldest Christian hymn was composed not only by a pagan, the Roman Emperor Adrian, but by a persecutor of Christians as well. The hymn begins with the line "Vital spark of heavenly love" and was written between the years 76 and 138 A. D., the dates of the emperor's birth and death. The hymn was paraphrased by Alexander Pope in the early part of the eighteenth century.

#### Not Self Conscious.

"I will say," remarked the young woman, "that he is not afflicted with that self consciousness which marks the person of deficient culture."

"No." answered Miss Cayenne, "he isn't at all self conscious. He will be tiresome by the hour without being in the least aware of it."—Washington Star.

#### YOUTHS' DEPARTMENT.

That fencing is a pastime among lobsters I have no doubt from some little experiences I have had with them, Once I found a lobster near low water in a pool some nine feet long by six feet wide, having a rough bottom and eight or ten inches of water in it, with a cavern at each end. Although I was armed with a crab book, or iron gaff about three feet long, the extreme darting and fencing of the lobster were too much for me to grapple with. When in the deeper cavern, I found it could see me through the water as plainly as I could, so that the better constructed eyes of the genus homo had no advantage over the rough, hard stalk eyes of the crustacean, and as I could not get to gaff across it every effort I made was evaded. At last, however, by mere vigorous and energetic guiling, I made the cavern so uncomfortable for the lobster that, like a lightning flash, it darted between my legs and back into its old haunt. Here the same game went on, and with like results, for in a moment he was again between my legs and back into his old haunt. Finally, becoming tired of gailing and missing (for its fencing was perfect and could not have been achieved without long practice), I declined to be beaten by a mere crustacean and proceeded to buil out the pool. It was only by this effort that I eventually conthat throughout the battle so deft, crafty and subtle were its actions that it was like lighting a being endowed with human intelligence.

I have further proof that they manifest a severe martial spirit in the sea when hunting for food. It is nothing uncommon for fishermen, when drawing up their traps in the morning, to find the large claw of another lobster in the pot beside the prisoner, says The Contemporary Review, and there have been instances where three large claws have been found together with the above conditions and a lobster with one arm as a prisoner, showing that in a recent fight the victor had lost one and the vanquished both arms. But these are only trifles when compared with what the late Sir Isaac Coffin saw when on the coast of Nova Scotia, for it is given on his authority that he once witnessed a terrible battle between two armies of lobsters and that they fought with such fury that the shore was strewn with their claws.

#### Racket Store

To save money go to the Racket Store. New place, new goods, new prices. One door east of Tennant's grocery. We invite you to call and inspect our goods and learn our prices. It will pay you. We have a full and complete line of

#### Bazaar and Holiday Goods, XMAS TREE ORNAMENTS, CONFECTIONERY

Etc. All Christmas orders left with us will have our prompt and careful attention. We also have the very latest in box and note paper. School tablets, also a most attractive and pleasing variety of Perfumes, Tooth Brushes, Toilet Cases, Mirrors, Cup and Plates, Smokers Stands, Cigar Stands, Candlebra's Wax Candles, Dolls, Doll Carriages, Rocking Horses, Vases, Toys, Etc. Call and see us and get our prices.

C. E. Fritz

Cass City, Mich.

## Closing Out Sale

#### Ready Made Garments

I have a number of Ready Made Garments which I am offering at cost and below cost as I wish to close out. Come early and get the benefit of this opportunity.

#### Capes and Jackets

Some beautiful Astrakan cloth, capes for \$4.50. Plush capes from \$5.00 to \$7.50. A fine all wool chevoit Suit, tailor made, for \$9.50, worth \$12.00. Jacket for less than cost.

#### Muffs and Furs

A fine line of Muffs from 75c to \$5.00. children's Furs for \$1.00 to \$5.00 Scarls and collarettes all must be closed out. Will sell regardless of cost.

#### Hats, Silks, Velvets, Etc.

A fine line of Detroit Pattern Hats at cost and a large line of Plumes, the best brand in the market for 25c to \$7.00. Silks, Satins, Velvets, and Laces, in fact everything in the millinery line will be sold at a reduced price from this date. Everything in Street Hats at 75c. call and get your pick of about six dozen worth from \$1 to \$2, for 75c.

Don't forget the Bargains are at

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Girls Capitulate when presented with a box of our fine box candies.

Everything the taste demands in this line.

Cigars, Tobaccos, and Smoker's Equipments. The most complete line in the Thumb.

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Ogsters-A fresh quantity always on hand.

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Are the farmer's standard, either a working shoe or for fine wear. Not the finest or cheapest, but the best and most sesvicable.

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Curry Combs, Brushes, Wagon Grease, Harness Oil, Cattle Ties, Hames of every description, Blankets of all kinds and prices.

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#### Our Shop

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> Turning lathe and rlp saw

and we are making a specialty of Woodwork. Bring your old wagon here and have a wide tired, good-asnew wagon made cheaper and better than anywhere else. For reference ask the myriad of our patrons.

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## Wm. Leach.

Shabbona, Mich.

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of all kinds that are warranted as good as the best. Duck Coats, Vests and Pants, Heavy Outings for winter at a light price. Ladies and from the school library Friday after-Gents' Winter Underwear that are noon. warm and fleecy.

#### Winter Millinery, New and Stylish

for fresh eggs. All kinds of produce day by Alex. King. taken and cash paid when desired, Remember we are not in the trust. Yours for prosperity,

#### SANILAC CENTRE

Arthur Little is having a vacation while his school district is having a tussle with diptheria.

Jas. Simmons was in town last week passed through town Monday. getting acquainted with his new duties as county clerk.

C. F. Gates transacted legal busi- day. ness at Caro last week.

The Board of County Supervisors completed their labors and adjourned last Thursday.

Our school commenced again after a week's vacation. The two cases of diptheria in Sheriff Stone's family are doing finely.

Minnie McIntyre is having a few weeks recreation after much hard labor in the Register of Deeds office.

The O'Keefe property is now occu-

pied by the Minty family. The new county officers are having

considerable difficulty in finding suitable places to live in during their stay here the following years. Most of the old officers will stay here for the present so their houses are not available. Sheriff-elect Proctor has the advantage of not needing to bother himself over his next residence. Our stores are getting in holiday

ittire and are quite attractive at the present time. There is more attention paid to the holiday trade this year than ever before.

Our present drain commissioner looks as if he had passed through a cyclone.

What is the matter with electric lights in the Centre. We have a mill that runs steadily day times and part of the night that could be utilized to generate the electricity. The "Hub' is behind the other towns in the county in the matter of local improvements, yet we pay the largest rate per cent on the valuation.

Report has it that Arthur Grice of Deckerville was married to Nancy Stoutenburg last Wednesday by Rev. Beamer at the residence of Thomas Walker.

Mrs. S. K. Smith has rented her house to Anse Graham. Mrs. Smith J. II. Stevensons's Harness Shop at Argyle is the place to go for your will locate elsewhere.

Jos. Babcock, living near Peck, died week ago.

A farmer's state institute will be held here next Wednesday. Thos. Grimes made a trip to Speak-

er last week. Miss Murley has been helping in the

county treasurer's office. The L. O. T. M,s will initiate eight new members at their next meeting. This will make about forty new mem-

#### bers this fall. ARGYLE,

Traveling salesman McDougall of North Branch was in town Thursday. Dan McNaughton was in Cass City The Lecture Was Nighty Entertaining Sunday.

Robt. Boughner is happy. It's a baby boy and arrived on Tuesday. Mrs. Waite and son-in-law, D.

Hutchinson, from near Cass City spent Sunday at J. H. Stevenson's. Mrs. J. McPhail and sister were in Cass City Saturday.

Ed. Striffler was in Cass City Wed-

Mrs. A. King and Miss Fullmer of Buffalo, N. Y., were entertained by Mrs. A. McLachlan Thursday.

Helen King spent Saturday with Mrs. D. D. McNaughton.

Allen Kilboum is rejoicing over the advent of a grandchild, Monday.

Mrs. Jas. McQueen of Evergreen was in town Thursday.

Mrs. Henry Davis of Evergreen visited Dr. McNaughton Sunday.

Mary Hutson is home this week suffering with a very severe cold. The Sunday school children are pre-

paring for an Xmas tree at the Mc- but in New England you must have Bride school house.

Wm. Morash of Pt. Huron was in town Friday.

Geo. Eidelman of Saginaw transacted business in town Wednesday. The Ladies Aid met at Mrs. Little's

to sew Wednesday and gained two new members. W. Jennings of Saginaw was in

town Tuesday. The school books arrived in town Thursday evening and were all drawn

Mrs. W. D. Striffler and D. D. Mc-Naughton passed a subscription paper around last week and raised enough foolish if one had set himself above We are selling 19 lbs of Sugar, 45 money to get a 100 piece set of dishes bars of Soap, 23 lbs. of Rice, or 41 lbs. for Rev. Cridland. Many outside of get a little better fig leaf than the of Tea for \$1,00 for a limited time. A the Ladies Aid Society and church regular landslide in prices. We offer contributed and most cheerfully. The

The windows of our stores are most gaily bedecked with Christmas goods. Hive to popcorn after review Thurs-

Freiburgers, Sunday,

#### Ida Brooks is home from Pontiac on a visit.

About a dozen of Miss Helen King's friends gave her a very pleasant sur- for Canada to spend the holidays. prise on Monday evening. Miss King accompanied her aunt to Buffalo on Tuesday to visit relatives

Rev. F. E. Walter of Moore twp.

The Graybill family left for Their new home near West Branch on Sun-

Mrs. J. H. Stevenson is still very

The following were elected officers of Green Arbor A. O. O. G. for the ensuing year: Chief Gleaner, Jas. Mc-Naughton; Vice C. G., Jas. Starr; Sec. and Treas.. Wilson King; Chaplain, Donald Henry; Conductor, Ernest Mc-Allister; Conductress, Mrs. Geo. Powell; Inside Guard, Paul Freiburger; Outside Guard, Chas. Maskell; Lect-

The officers elected on Thursday for Argyle Hive L. O. T. M. for next year are: P. L. C., Clara McNaughton; L. Com., Edith E. Frost; Lieut. Com., Ida Little; F. K., Mattie Mc-Lachlan; R. K., Louise Morrison; Chap., Pauline Striffer; Serg., Lizzie Striffler; Mat. A., Minnie McDonald; Sentinel, Martha Pfaff; Picket, Susan

Queen.

#### CUMBER

Jas. Greenleaf has a very sick horse. A. A. Ewing and wife left Saturday

Revival services commenced in Cumber on Monday evening. Evangelist Vancuren from Henderson is conducting them.

The recent freeze up has put a stop to mason work.

Quite a number from this vicinity are taking in the Canada excursion.

#### GREENLEAF.

Rough roads. Cold weather.

Wm. McCallum is on the sick list. Dora Mahon visited in Cass City the latter part of last week. Chas. Roblin and Margaret Clark at-

tended church at Holbrook Saturday Dolly Cowling visited at Jno. Me-

urer and Correspondent, Dave Mc-Callum's Saturday. Aletha Cowling of Holbrook and

Bruce Wheeler of Cass City attended church here Sunday evening. Maggie Gillies of Cass City visited

friends in town Sunday. John Jackson of Cumber attended church here Sunday evening. Geo. McDougall is reported improv-

Dr. Charlton transacted business in Cass City Friday.

## Buron County Rews.

#### KILMANAGH,

Emma Schultz is home for a few

Tony Liskey is in the employ of Dr. Treadgold for the season.

School Dist. No. 1 Winsor opened last Monday as the scarlet fever is on

the decline in that section. The I. O. F. held a special meeting last week Thursday to ballot upon two

Don't pass by the fine collection of Xmas toys at our stores. They have something for you.

The collectors for the Evangelical Xmas festival succeeded in getting a good sum. The exercises will be held at the church on Dec. 25 beginning at 7 p. m. All are cordially invited.

#### HOLBROOK

Cold weather is the order of the day. Aletha Cowling visited with friends it Greenleaf Saturday and Sunday.

Henry Morrish transacted business in Cass City last week Tuesday. The Misses Jackson were the guests

of Bird Morrish Tuesday.

SNOBS AND SNOBBERY

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There are three steps that lead up

to the person known as the snob.

They are, castes beget self pride; self

pride begets egotism; egotism begets

There is a snob known as the fash-

ionable snob or the dandy. You can

always tell him by his drawling

speech and self important air. He is

always dressed in the latest fashion,

age pants; carries a gold headed cane

and smokes cigarettes. He may be

ignorant or homely as a mule, but if

he is dressed in the latest styles he is

considered all right. They are the

Then we have another kind of

snobs who are always talking about

their ancestors. They are known as

the blue bloods. The further west

we go the less we find of this blue

blood and the talk about ancestors,

relatives or be a descendant from some

one that came over in the Mayflower,

even if they were the cook, or you are

not considered in the big "four hun-

dre!." In Virginia you must be a

descendant of Pocahontas and so on

cocoanut tree.

most useless snobs on earth.

wears a two story collar bologna saus-

Mrs. John Henderson is again on FIRST HOUSE SOUTH PHONE OFFICE

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fanning mills last week of Mr. Campbell of Bad Axe.

the guests of Mina Henderson Thursday and Friday.

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the fashion plates. She leads a gay college in Port Huron. ife, cares nothing for the nobler mission of woman, laughs in scorn at the idea of motherhood and love. She cares only for money and titles and fame. They are a living example of degraded womanhood. Oh, my young lidy friends do not forget to honor the grandest mission that is accorded to woman. Marry the man you love if he is henest, noble and has a strong right arm and a good sound brain to

work for you. Here is a little song that tells it all. Mrs. Lofty kee is a carriage, so do I.
She has dapple grays to draw her, none have I;
She's no prouder with her coachman, than am I,
With my blue-eyed laughing baby, trundling by.
I hide his face, lest should see the cherub

boy and envy me. Her husband has white fingers, mine has He could give his bride a palace, mine a cot; He could give his bride a palace, mine a cot; Her's comes home heneath the starlight, ne'er cares she;
Mine comes home in the purple twilight, kisses me,
And prays that he who turns life's sands, will hold his
Loved ones in his hands.

Mrs. Lofty has her jewels, so have I; She wears hers upon her, inside I; She will leave her's at death's portals, by and by—
I will bear the treasure with me, when I die. For I have love, and she has gold; She counts her wealth, mine can't be told, She has those that love her station, none have 1; But I've one true heart beside me, glad am I;
I'd not change it for a kingdom, no not I—
God will weigh it in the balance, by and by;
And then the difference 'twill define,
'Twixt Mrs. Lofty's wealth and mine.

all through the east and south. The There is still another kind of snobs people who are always talking about their blue blood do not believe in the known as the prides. They are so Darwin theory or I am afraid if they afraid of to speak for fear they will say something improper. They canwere to trace their ancestors back far not call anything by its proper name enough, they would chase them up a and are insulted if any one else does. There are a class of shiftless, dirty The most rediculous snobs are those that think clothes make the man. people that are snobs also. They say I am not stuck up, but they are all stuck up with dirt. They are dirty The first man and woman only had a fig leaf, and would it not seem very snobs.

A young lady once married a noble, the other just because he happened to honest, moral man but it was considered that she had not made a very good match because he was a mechanother. But that is just what you are doing every day. You are putting on [labor degrades a man in these days. 16c for good fresh roll butter and 20c dishes were taken to Ubly on Satur- airs because you wear little better You have got to be a scoundrel to amount to anything now. I hate clothes than some of your neighbors. Silk and satin are considered to make a person a little better than the one want all young men togo up the ladwho wears a cotton dress. These are fashionable snobs. There are two is not dishonorable to work, only to a extremes of these fashionable snobs, few bigoted class of people. Brains male and female. The male is known and character, remember my young Geo. Smith and wife of Shabbona as the dandy whom we have already friends, are worth far more than gold. took dinner with Jas. McNaughton described. He is perfectly useless and character, faith and home sweet Young men and women live for love. the female is equally as useless. All home,

A goodly number attended church

Some of our farmers purchased new

Misses Morrish and Rathburn were

#### A. N. TREADGOLD,

All calls answered promptly night or day Discases of children given special

#### lumber woods. The M. E. Ladies Aid met at the

pastor's last Wednesday. Mrs. D. A. Valentine is visiting her mother in Dayton. Work has been commerced on the site for the new church shed. Mrs. A. D. MacArthur is somewhat improved.

her home in Kingston on Monday. Nellie MacArthur has returned from Bad Axe on account of her moth-Elith Wilson has returned home she does is to dress and shop and study

> Mrs. C. W. McCain of Leonard is visiting her parental home. Josie Retherford of Cass City visit

ed here on Sunday. D. Kelley of Kingston did business here on Tuesday.

Joe Lewis is on the sick list again. Mr. and Mrs. Ware are visiting friends in Elmwood.

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# Tuscola County Rews. 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 10th day of December; in the year one thousand nine hundred. Present, John c. Laing, Judge of Probate. In the matter of the estate of Jessic Rebecca Jones, deceased. On reading and filing the petition, duly verified, of Eva M. Jones, praying this court to adjudicate and determine who were at the time of her death the lawful heirs of said Jessic Rebecca Jones and entitled to inherit the real estate of which she died seized. It is ordered, that the 8th day of January next, at one o'clock in the afternoon, at said probate court be assigned for hearing said petition. And it is further ordered, that a copy of this order be published in the Tricounty Chronicle, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county, three successive weeks preyious to said day of hearing. (A true copy). Judge of Probate:

#### KINGSTON

tending school here.

Dr. Geo. Bates and G. C. Veit were Caro visitors last week.

Colds seem to be in line this week.

A. A. P. McDowell of the Enterprise was in town Tuesday looking af-

The cousins that visited Miss Doyle ast week spont part of the week with Ruby Randall.

Thomas and Harlow King visited at

Marlette Saturday last.

Veit this week.

ioner, was in town Monday. P. G. Davis of Mayville, County

M. Weinburg of Mayville visite lat

Foreclosure Sale.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, in the Circuit Court for the County of Tuscola, in chancery. Mary Smith, Complainant, vs. Godfrey Smith. Defendant. Dated Nsvember 15, A. D.

Mary Smith, Complainant, vs. Godfrey Smith. Defendant. Dated Nsvember 15, A. D. 1900.

Suit pending in the Circuit Court for the County of Tuscola in Chancery, at Caro, Michigan on the 15th day of November, A. D. 1960. In this cause it appearing from adildavit on file, that the Defendant, Godfrey Smith, is a resident of this state, but that process duly issued cannot be served upon him on account of his absence and concealment within this state; that his last known place of residence is Detroit, Michigan, on motion of T. W. Atwood, Complainant's solicitor, it is ordered that the said Defendant, Godfrey Smith, cause his appearance to be entered herein, within three months from the date of this order, and in case of his appearance that he cause his answer to the complainant's bill of complaint to be filed, and a copy thereof to be served on said Complainant's solicitor, within rwenty days after service on him of a copy of said bill, and notice of this order; and that in default thereof, said bill be taken as confessed by the said non-resident Defendant.

And it is further ordered, that within twenty days the said complainant cause a notice of this order to be published in the Tricounty chronicle, a newspaper printed, published and circulating in said county, and that such publication be continued therein at teast once in each week, for six weeks in succession, or that he cause a copy of this order to be personally served on said non-resident Defendant, at least twenty days before the time above prescribed for his appearance.

Abraham J. Randall.

T. W. Atwood, circuit court commissioner, complainant's Solicitor.

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75c a year.

Minnie Moshier of Wilmot is at-

Vaccination appears to be the rage

ter his interests here.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, County of Tuscola; ss. Notice is hereby given, that by an order of the Probate Court for the County, made on the 8th day of October, A. D. 1990, six months from that date were allowed for creditors to present their claims against the estate of Mary Wallace, late of said county, deceased, and that all creditors of said deceased are required to present their claims to said Probate. Court, at the Probate Office, in the Village of Caro, for examination and allowance, on or before the 8th day of April, A. D. 1901, and court, on Tuesday, the 8th day of January, A. D. 1901, and on Monday, the 8th day of January, A. D. 1901, and on Monday, the 8th day of April, A. D. 1901, at ten o'clock in the forenoon of each of those days.

Dated, Caro, Mich., October 19th, A. D. 1900.

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Judge of Probate. Rev. A. R. Harper of the Baptist church is at Canboro assisting in re vival meetings.

Percy Waldie is laboring for G. C.

W. Harp, County Drain Commiss-

School Commissioner, was in town

. S. Berman's Sunday.

WILMOT

Mr. and Mrs. Ned Stewart of Grand

John Roberts plastered his house

C. W. Heller of Cass City was in

The smoke stack on the grist mill

was blown down during the heavy

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Hartt moved into

Myrtia Jeffery is home from Mt.

Pleasant where she has been attend-

Chas, Chatfield is much better after

his severe tussle with typhoid fever.

DEFORD,

Orville Ware has returned from the

Rapids are the guests of Mr. and Mrs.

Frank Stewart.

this week.

ing school.

town Friday.

wind Saturday night,

their new home this week.

Foreclosure Sale.

Default having been made in the payment of money due on and secured by a certain mortgage bearing date the thirteenth day of March, 1893 Made and executed by Archibald D. McArthur and Caroline L. McArthur, his wife, and George McArthur, an unmarried man. to Iola E. Larkingand recorded in the Register of Deeds' office for the County of Tuscola, Michigan, on the thirty-first day of March, 1893, in Liber 65 on Mortgages on page 171, which said mortgage was duly assigned by a written assignment hearing date the welfth day of June, 1893, made and executed by the said Iola E. Larkin to the said Caroline L. McArthur and recorded in the Register of Deeds' office aforesaid in Liber 73 of Mortgages, on page 480, on the thirteenth day of June, 1893, upon which mortgage, there is chaimed to be due at the date of this notice the sum of eight hundred thirty-four dollars and forty-three cents (\$834,43).

Now therefore notice is hereby given that by reason of said default the said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, at public vendue, to the highest bidder at the front door of the court House in the Village of caro, Tuscola county, Michigan (that being the place where the circuit court for said county is holden) on the fourth day of March, 1901, at one o'clock in the afternoon. The said mortgaged premises being situated in the Township of Novesta, County of Tuscola and State of Michigan and described in said mortgage substantially as follows, to-wit: The west half of the northwest quarter (3) of section twenty-eight (28) township number thirteen (13) north, range eleven cast, which said premises will be sold as aforesaid to satisfy the amount due on said mortgage and the costs of foreclosure.

Dated December 6th, 1900.

J. D. BROOKER, Assignee of Mortgage.

Ethel Jeffery, who has been clerking in D. Croop's store, returned to and expects to attend the business

#### SPECIAL SESSION CALL

WHITE CONVICTED AND PAR-DONED IN SHORT ORDER.

The Expected Happened on the 5th, Gov. Pingree Having Issued the Call Convening the Legislature in Extra Session on Dec. 12, 1900.

Gen. Will White Gets 10 Years. Gen. Will L. White appeared in court at Lansing, Dec. 3, plead guilty, and was sentenced by Judge Wiest to 10

years' imprisonment at hard labor in the Jackson prison. Notwithstanding the fact that defendant's attorney had a petition bearing 400 signatures asking for elemency, on which appeared the names of all the Kent county officers, an ex-supreme court judge, manufucturers, merchants and bankers, it mattered not to Judge Wiest, who, after being closeted with the prisoner for 15 minutes, pronounced the above sentence. Later-White arrived in Jackson on

the night of the 3d, but was not taken to the prison until the following morning. In entering the prison White lost his name, and during his imprisonment will be known as convict No. 7342. He will work in the tailoring shop, and learn to make clothes. He, whose crime was theft of clothes, will have work that will serve to remind him constantly of his crime, and why he is a convict.

It is generally believed at Grand Rapids that White will be pardoned before many days, as one of his military friends is quoted as saying that "White would take Christmas dinner with them." His cool manner, and the demeanor of the family, apparently give color to the friend's statement.

Gens. Will L. White and Arthur F. Marsh were pardoned by Gov. Pingree on the night of the 4th. The only condition attached is that each of the pardoned men shall pay \$5,000 in five annual installments of \$1,000 each, the first installment to be paid Jan. 1, 1901, the money to be turned over to Ingham county, if she wants it; otherwise it is to go into the state treasury. No provision is made for the giving of bonds to guarantee the carrying out of the conditions or for reincarceration of White or the incarceration of Marsh in case they fail to meet the conditions imposed.

#### Special Session Call.

Gov. Pingree on the night of the 5th issued a proclamation for the convening of the 40th legislature in extra session at the capital in Lansing, at 12 o'clock, noon, Dec. 12, 1900. The special session is called for the purpose of enacting a law providing for the assessment and taxation of all property at its cash value, including that of corporations now taxed and paying spebific taxes upon earnings; and providing for the assessment of the property of corporations at its true cash value by a state board of assessors, and for the levying and collection of taxes thereon, under the provisions of the constitution relative to the taxation of corporations, as amended, and the amendments to which were ratified and approved by the people at the general election held on Nov. 6, 1900; and for the consideration of such other on the 4th. matters as shall be submitted by special message.

#### He was Murdered.

On the morning of the 7th the body of Lewis Campbell, 65 years of age, was found under a rubbish heap in the corner of a barn on a farm, situated about 40 rods north of the city limits of Greenville. Campbell was an old pensioner who was reported to have left home about four months ago. Stories of foul play began to be circulated, however, immediately following his disappearance, and recently the members of the local G. A. R. commenced a thorough search for Campbell, believing him to have been murdered. One Samuel Alpin, an ex-convict, was immediately arrested, charged with the crime. At the jail he made a full confession implicating his son, W. C. Alpin, who he says struck the fatal blow.

#### To Probe the Military Fraud Deeper.

It is reported that another grand jury will be called in Lansing as soon as the legislature provides for the expense to probe into the military board's expenditure of the half million war A club house to cost \$35,000 will be loan fund. It is expected that there will be no difficulty in securing the necessary appropriation for this purpose. Gov. Pingree, it is said, will spring something on the legislature that will be pertinent to the White episode. Whether this will be impeachment proceedings against the Ingham county court and officials or the making of a complaint by the governor against the Henderson - Ames company is not known.

#### Watch Meetings.

Adjt. Gen. Case has issued a circular calling attention of the National Guard to the fact that the American National Red Cross is arranging to hold in every village and city of the United States on the last night of this year, watch meetings to see the old century out and the new century in. He said it is eminently proper that the National Guard should take the initiative in arranging for such meetings in Michigan.

Two cases of smallpox are reported at Baldwin. They are of a mild na-

#### MICHIGAN NEWS ITEMS.

Essexville reports one case of small-

tory. Grand Rapids reports one case of

Lansing is to have a beet sugar fac-

smallpox. A postoffice has been established at

Eggs are selling for 26 cents a dozen at Holland.

A Cassopolis man is about to build a saw mill at Glendora.

The state auditors annual report is ready for distribution.

Joh Goodell, of near Romeo, suicided on the 5th by the rope route. Local option may be an issue in Len-

awee county's spring election. Six new cases of smallpox developed

at Ishpeming on the 2d and 3d. A cook book is being published by

the Plainwell Lady Maccabees. An Ohio telephone company has been

granted a franchise at Jackson. The big cement factory at Coldwater has closed down for two months.

Mt. Clemens moved the city hall clock ahead 28 minutes on the 3d. The Calhoun County Agricultural so-

ciety is now free and clear of debt. Steps have been taken to reorganize the Berrien County Bar association.

Wild cats are being killed in quite large numbers in northern Michigan. The number of lives lost on the great lakes during the past season was

St. Joseph is to lose a land markthe historic Brant hotel is to be torn

Game Warden Morse reports that 5,000 deer were slaughtered in 22 days this fall.

A three weeks' revival closed at Carleton on the 2d. But few converts were received.

Burglars raided several stores at Cheboygan on the 6th, but did not secure any booty.

clock were moved ahead 28 minutes on the night of the 4th. Lapeer physicians have organizedan

The hands of the Detroit city hall

association for mutual protection, and to weed out the dead beats.

Twenty-six new Christian Endeavor societies have been organized during the last year in the 3d district. Clinton's oldest resident is dead.

Mrs. Ann Allen, of near that place, died on the 2d, aged nearly 101.

The next annual meeting of the Upper Peninsula Educational association will be held at Escanaba, Jan. 24-26. Many lumber camps in the vicinity

of Standish are suspending operations owing to too much water in the swamps. Holland's sugar factory has manufactured 2,200,000 pounds of sugar to date, Dec. 6, and expect to make 1,000,-

000 pounds more this season. A spasm of virtue has struck Traverse City, and a crusade has been instituted against slot machines and the

keeping open of saloons after hours. The entire 5th congressional district is to be mapped out immediately for free rural delivery. Forty new routes will be in operation inside of a month.

Miss Anna McKenna, of Detroit, was asphyxiated by the gas escaping from a jet in her room on the night of the 1st. Her death is supposed to be an

accident. Tom Woods, the Negro desperado. who tried to escape from two Pontiac officers by the aid of two revolvers was sentenced to 10 years at Jackson

The Kalamazoo Traction Co. has been granted a franchise to build an electric road through the village of Plainwell. The road must be completed before Jan. 1, 1902.

The postmasters at Onaway and Ontonagon will have their salaries increased to \$1,000 per year on after Jan. 1. Their offices having been raised to

the presidential class. Four prisoners escaped from the Ann Arbor jail on the 4th. A couple of gas pipes were the only tools used. This nakes six prisoners who have escaped

from this jail within six months. The local option movement in Shiawassee county has gotten as far as the calling of a county convention at Corunna. Dec. 11, to put into circulation

the petitions for the special election. Farmers around Dowagiae who grew ugar beets for the Benton Harbor factory this season lost money on the venture, and it is doubtful if any beets will be planted in those parts next spring Chicago sportsmen have purchased Chambers island, situated in Green bay, about 18 miles east of Menominee, and will convert it into a game reserve.

erected. The prospects are bright for the esablishment of a condensed milk factory at White Pigeon, to employ 40 people or there abouts. A creamery has been in successful operation there for three years past.

Melvin Dempsie, of Cheshire, near Allegan, recently returned from the Klondike with his pockets filled with gold nuggets and claims worth at least \$1,000,000. He had been absent from home only two years.

The case of Mrs. Emma Olds. of Detroit, arrested for abduction, probably will not be tried in Washtenaw county. although Prosentor Frazer, of Wayne county, insists upon it. It is really a Wayne county case, and Mr. Kirk is not disposed to saddle the expense on Washtenaw,

Farmers in the vicinity of Fair Plain are truly enterprising. While they have not installed an electric light plant for the purpose of lighting the lighway, they have contracted for a number of gasoline lamps to be used 6th issued an order revoking the lifor such a purpose. The contract calls | censes of 14 notorious saloons in the for five years' service

Gen. Will White, who was pardoned by Gov. Pingree from Jackson prison, buckled down to work at the store of the White & White Manufacturing Co., at Grand Rapids, on the morning of 6th. He was not disturbed by many

The rumor is revived that an electric railroad will be built from Standish to Au Gres the coming spring. This will open up a large tract of farming lands, and the road will also connect the famous summer resort at Point Lookout with these points.

In his November report State Salt Inspector Caswell records: Manistee county, 215,081 barrels; Mason, 41,064; Wayne, 41,043; St. Clair, 69,748; Saginaw, 37,519; Bay, 29,998; Iosco, 5,138; Midland, 2,500; total, 442,091; 1899-497,910; 1898—477,892.

A whole lot of Alpena county people have been caught in the past week or two by some swindlers who traveled along the highways selling cheap watches and taking in payment therefor the farmers' notes for anywhere from \$25 to \$125 apiece.

At the meeting of the State Horticultural society at Grand Rapids recently the principal topic of discussion was Michigan's decreasing appleshipping industry and the problem of how to bring it up again to the high place it held a few years ago.

The tax commissioners expect to be able to present to the special session of the legislature a report showing the average rate of taxation for the entire state on assessments for all purposes It is expected that the average rate will not exceed \$15 per \$1,000.

Atty-Gen. Oren gave an off-hand opinion on the 6th that he did not believe the military fraud conspirators could be proceeded against on the charge of forgery, if the proceedings are based on the state of facts considered in the embezzlement cases.

A scheme to run a trolley system cross the state of Michigan, connecting Detroit with Chicago, by means of a steamboat line at St. Joseph. is under development in the general office of the Michigan Traction company, at Kalamazoo, and the company will shortly send out Supt. R. L. Rand to inspect a proposed route.

Dowagiac milk dealers formed a ju dicious combination and boosted the price of milk to six cents a quart, but their patrons promptly formed a little combination of their own and pledged until the dealers of the product in its original state came down off their ships when owned by American citiperch. And the dealers lost little time in descending from the same.

On December 24 a special election will be held at Lapeer to vote on a proposition to bond the city for \$15,000 for a bonus to secure a factory. As it is illegal to bond for such a purpose, the proposition will read, "To issue bonds for \$15,000 for a city park and public market building;" but the money will be used for the bonus just the same, in case the proposition is carried.

Secretary Baker, of the state board of health, has issued an important circular on the prevalence of smallpox not only in Michigan, but in other states, and advocating strict measures for the control of the epidemic. He emphasized the necessity for general vaccination, and says that the mild form of the disease makes it doubly difficult to cope with it, as it is often diagnosed as chickenpox.

#### TRANSVAAL WAR ITEMS.

Lord Roberts arrived at Port Elizabeth, Cape Colony, on the 7th and was accorded a splendid reception.

Owing to the attempts of sympathizers to communicate with the Boer prisoners at Green Point camp Maxim guns surrounding heights, in readiness for a disturbance.

The Boers are driving the Boer women and children from their homes because their kinsmen refuse to fight any longer. Forty women and children, ill clad and hungry, were taken to Heidelberg by the British recently.

England's supplementary war estinate was brought up in the house of commons on the 7th, but the utmost secrecy is maintained regarding it. Reports say that it asks for £13,000,000 for South Africa and £3,000,000 for

China. On the night of the 5th a British patrol came into contact with De Wet's outposts, close to the place where his main force was laagered. They took one prisoner, who stated that De Wet was suffering from continual trenking and had abandoned a Kaupp gur near the south bank of the Caledo river The prisoner also asserted that all the prisoners captured at De Wetsdorp had been liberated with the exception of

A dispatch from Lord Kitchener, dated Bloemfontein, Dec. 7, announced that Gen. Delarey, with 500 Boers, attacked a convoy, proceeding from Pretoria to Rustenburg at Buffelspoort, Dec. 3, burned half the convoy and killed 15 men and wounded 23, including Lieut. Baker. The Boers, the dispatch adds, suffered considerable loss, some of them being killed with case shot at 50 yards. Guns and assistance were sent from Rustenburg and Commando Nek and the Boers were driven off.

Gen. Kitchener reports from South Africa that the mounted troops of Gen. Knox were engaged all day on the 2d with part of Gen. DeWet's forces, north of Bethulie. The Boers, he added, were headed off and retired in a northeasterly direction.

The 8-year-old daughter of C. F. Riley, a farmer of near Minneapolis, was carried off and devoured by a huge panther on the 3d.

Mayor Harrison, of Chicago, on the business portion of that city.

#### CONGRESSIONAL NOTES

Secretary of the Treasury Gage on the 4th sent to congress his annual report. The revenues of the government from all sources for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1900, were \$669,595,431.18. The expenditures for the same period were \$590,068,371, leaving a surplus of \$79,527,060.18 of receipts over expenditures for the year. The geatest item of expenditure was for the army, the maintenance of which cost \$134,774, 767.78. The navy cost \$55,953,077.72 Pensions required \$140,877,316.02, the postal service \$102,354,579.29 and interest on the public debt, \$40,160,333.27. As compared with the previous fiscal year the receipts of the government increased \$58,613,426.83 and the expenditures decreased \$117,358,388.14.

The first bill of the session introduced in the house of representatives was by Rep. Crumpacker (R., Ind.,) "making an apportionment of representatives in congress under the 11th census." It provides an increase of membership from 357 to 365. The following states gain in representation: Arkansas, 1; Colorado, 1; California, 1; Connecticut, 1; Florida, 1; Illinois, 2; Massachusetts; 1; Minnesota, 2; Missouri, 1; New Jersey, 2; New York, 3; North Dakota, 1; Pennsylvania, 2; Texas, 2; Washington, 1; West Virginia, 1. The following states lose: Kansas, 1; Louisiana, 2; Mississippi, 3; Nebraska. 1: North Carolina, 4; South Carolina, 3; Virginia, 1.

Agents of American Federation of Labor have resumed work in the corridors of the capitol to get through the senate the bill extending the scope of the law enacted for the first time back in 1868 which says eight hours shall be be a legal day's work, for government employes. The bill passed the house last May, but as it concerns iron and steel manufacturers, shipbuilders and other industrial enterprises that employ a great number of working men the federation agents anticipate a bitter light. In fact, they are saying that interests representing millions of dollars already have lobbyists maneu vering to beat it.

Just before the adjournment of the senate on the 4th Senator Vest gave notice of an amendment he will offer to the ship subsidy bill. The amendment provides for the repeal of such existing laws "as either prohibit or restrict citizens of the U.S. from purchasing ships built in other countries to be used in the foreign carrying themselves to use only condensed milk trade of the U.S. or which impose taxes, burdens or restrictions on such zens, which are not imposed on ships built in the U. S."

In relation to the lynching in Lasalle county, Tex., on Oct. 5, 1895, of Florentino Suaste, a Mexican citizen, the President, in a special message, sent to the senate on the 6th, recommends that the Mexican government be paid \$2,000 for the heirs of the victim. The recommendation is made from motives of humanity, and "without reference to the question of liability of the government of the U.S.

The house on the 6th at the end of a ong sitting passed the army reorganization bill by a vote of 166 to 153. Three Democrats, Messrs. Hall of Pennsylvania and Underhill and Clayton of New York, voted with the Republicans for the bill, and Mr. McCall (Mass.) with the Democrats against it. Otherwise it was a strict party vote.

The President on the 4th sent to the senate a large number of recess appointments. Among them there were Wm. D. Bynum, of Indiana, to be commissioner to revise and codify the criminal and penal laws of the U.S. and Wm. M. Johnson, of New Jersey, to be first assistant postmaster-general.

Senator Clay, of Georgia, on the 4th introduced bills providing for the adhave been placed in position on the mission free of duty of articles controlled by trusts, and for the refunding of the tax collected on raw cotton in the event that the supreme court holds to be unconstitutional the law under which the tax was collected.

At a cabinet meeting on the 4th a copy of the civil municipal code for the Philippines, prepared for the commission, was presented. It follows closely along the lines of the U. S. laws. The President's approval is necessary before it goes into effect, and changes may be made.

Senator Fairbanks, of Indiana, on the 4th introduced a bill to admit Oklahoma as a state, with two representatives. The usual provisions for a constitutional convention and the grants of lands for state institutions are made. Chairman Payne of the ways and means committee, on the 3d, said that no exact program had been fixed as to the time of acting in committee on the bill reducing the revenues or for con-

sidering the measure in the house. The Grout oceomargarine bill, for which something like 100,000 Michigan voters are said to have sent postal card petitions to Washington, passed the house on the 7th by the decisive vote of 198 to 92.

Commissioner Peck's report of the New York 77@7714 expenditures of the Paris commission for the year ending Nov. 15, 1900, was sent to the senate on the 4th. The total amount expended was \$939,465.

The canteen provision in the new army bill is likely to cause a great deal of contention. Instead of being a prohibition of the sale of liquor, it provides that no army officer or soldier shall sell liquor.

Rep. Brossius of Pennsylvania, chairman of the committee on banking and currency, on the 5th introduced in the couse a resolution to authorize the comptroller of the currency under the limitations of the act of July 12, 1882, to extend for a further period of 20 years the charter of any national banking association which shall desire to continue its existence after the expiration of its present charter.

Rep. Sulzer on the 4th introduced a esolution that congress protest against the continuance of the South African war and ask the British government to submit the trouble to arbitration.

The following bills were introduced in the senate on the 5th: Senator Pritchard, the bills prepared by the commission appointed by the President, providing provisions of the patent and trade mark laws. By Senator Hale, to revive the grade of vice-admiral in the navy; by Senator Warren, permitting the free admission of honorably discharged soldiers and sailors into any hospital of the U.S. for medical or surg-

ical treatment. Senator Stewart on the 4th introduced a bill creating a supreme court for the Philippine islands with five judges who are to be appointed for life, and each of whom is to draw a salary of \$20,000 per annum. The bill provides for an appeal of writs of error to the U. S. supreme court in all cases involving more than \$20,000, and in those in which the constitution of the U.S. is involved.

The secretary of war on the 6th sent to the senate reports of the board of engineers concerning the effects of the Galveston storm of last summer on the ietties in the vicinity of that city. of its size, for the water, rising around The board finds that \$1,500,000 will be necessary to repair the jetties at Galveston and \$175,000 for the repair of the Brazos river jetties.

Among the bills passed by the senate on the 4th was one authorizing Mr. Meiklejohn to accept a decoration of Chevalier of the first class from the government of Sweden and Norway.

Rep. Littlefield, of Maine, a member of the judiciary committee, on the 3d presented a favorable report on what is known as the "conspiracy" bill. Wm. B. Dillingham, the new senator

from Vermont, who succeeds the late Justin S. Morrill, took the oath of office on the 3d. The President and Mrs. McKinley

gave a reception on the 6th to the 1,900 delegates to the W. C. T. U. convention. Appropriate resolutions of respect

were adopted by the senate in memory of Senators John H. Gear and Davis on the 3d.

Sixty-one senators responded to the roll call on the opening of congress.

#### CHINA WAR NEWS.

As was expected, the meeting of the foreign envoys at Pekin on the 4th did not result in any definite conclusion, owing to the fact that not all of the governments have notified their representatives as to the form of the preliminary note to the Chinese plenipo tentiaries. Mr. Conger, the United States minister, said after the meeting that he was well pleased with the result of the ministers' meeting. The state department at Washington

on the 4th was informed that the foreign ministers at Pekin had reached an agreement which was submitted to the home offices. Secretary Hay cabled Mr. Conger authorization to sign the agreement on behalf of the U.S. gov ernment. In the two important issues that were still open, namely, those relating to punishment and indemnity, the view of the U.S. government has prevailed. As to punishments, they are to be the severest that can be inflicted by the Chinese government. As to indemnity the Chinese government s to formally admit its liability and then the matter is to be left for futher negotiation. It was understood that on the other points the French proposition has formed the basis of the

President Kruger arrived at The Hague on the 6th and was warmly re-

ceived. About 6,000 Dutchmen assembled in the open air at the Gum Tree plantation, on the edge of Worcester, Cape Colony, to take part in the Afrikander congress. Horsemen from a radius of 60 miles rode all night in order to be n attendance.

Fred T. Gilmore, of Baxter, Ia., was enecked senseless in Chicago on the night of the 4th and robbed of \$11,229 in negotiable paper, \$^3 in money and watch. The robbers, Wm. Cummings and George Hayes, after a desperate battle with detectives, were captured and all the booty save the watch and money was recovered.

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A special from Frankfort, Ky., dated the 5th, says that Gov. Beckham's plurality as officially announced is

By the explosion of dynamite at the San Andres de la Sierra (Mex.) mines on the 4th, 26 persons were killed and 15 were injured, some of whom will die. There was a disastrous gale upon the

Atlantic, along the U.S. coast, on the 4th, and as a result five persons lost their lives; six coasting schooners complete wrecks; nine vessels sunk; eight schooners ashore and 11 others more or less injured.

HE USES BAGS.

Inventor Devises New Scheme to Prevent Ships from Sinking.

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Thanksgiving Day in London. More than 400 Americans were present at the Hotel Cecil Thursday evening at the Thanksgiving dinner given under the auspices of the American Society in London. F. C. Van Duser, president of the society, was in the chair, and the guests included Baron Alverstone, lord chief justice of England; William Court Gully, speaker of the house of commons; Sir James Charles Mathew of the queen's bench division of the high court of justice; Frank Green, lord mayor of London;

Bank Robbers in Louislana.

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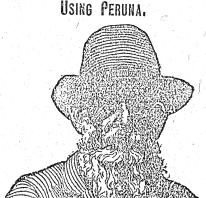
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CHAPTER VIII.

A few hours later Temple-Dene was iblazo with lights that flashed down on a brilliant scene. Dinner was just over, and the gentlemen as well as the ladies had deserted the dining room; for outside, under the solemn Christmas stars, and drawn up in a semicircle on the snow-covered terrace, were the mummers shouting in coarse inison an old world eatch:

"God rest you, mercy gentlemen, Let nothing you dismay!"

In the large hall, where the vivid nolly berries blazed red on the steel armor of the knightly figures, and in festoons on the tapestried walls, a goodly company was assembled—the house party of guests, with a background of the domestic of the establishment.

"And this is England, and an English Christmas eve!" A pair of small, thin hands were childishly clapped. "Oh, I never dreamed it would be so lovely, so delightful!"

A broad smile went round, for the

excited speaker was the bride. "Wonders will never cease," silently thought Gervis, as he stood amazed. Gladdy had since the afternoon thrown off the stupor of melancholy that so often oppressed her now and puzzled her husband. She had been at dinner the gayest of the party, all smiles and merry quips.

"I-wish Ansdell could just see her now," said Gervis to himself. "The old chap would stare. He'd have to swallow his dismal croakings about decline and wasting away. She's as merry as

a cricket!" But Ansdell could not see the transformation, for he had shut himself up immediately on arriving with a tremendous headache; and it seemed as if Gladdy in his absence had lifted herself as a plant raises its head after the storm has passed.

Even wilful, the bride had escaped from the elders of the party-Lady Jane and the stately dowagers. She would have none of their wearisome congratulatory speeches. There was but one person in all Temple-Dene Gladdy wanted, and that was Leila Desmond, to whom the bride had taken wild fancy. She would have none by her side but Leila; and Syb watched the pair with glowering eyes that smouldered wrathfully.

They stood, these two, in the foreground of the warm, dazzlingly bright interior, conspicuous figures, for both

At the bride's throat and in her Leria, in her dead-white crape, simply save her own sweet smile and a bunch of dewy, heavy-headed Christmas roses of depression stealing over her. fastened in the folds of her bodice.

"I, love your dear old-fashioned Christmas customs," went on Gladdy. But this time it was for Leila's ear only she spoke, and she squeezed her new friend's hand under cover of her satins and laces as the two girls stood close side by side.

the way you keep Christmas in the old country, and I know that old legend in verse, "The Mistletoe Bough.'

soft eyes on the bride. "Then, you people think the tragedy actually happened here at Temple-Dene?"

"N-no!" Gladdy gasped. Then she wonder he did not."

Gervis, it seemed, had told his new wife next to nothing about the old home of his ancestors.

"Oh, well, we are not exactly sure, you know," said Leila, hesitatingly; 'but there is a tradition that a bride of the family was lost, and found dead in an old black-oak chest which stands in the gallery up yonder."

She pointed to the gallery running round the large hall.

"And many people firmly believe she was the Ginevra of the poem. But of course it is only hearsay, we are not

"I must see it! Oh, I must! Please take me at once!" And Gladdy caught up her satin skirts to rush off. "Wait, Mrs. Templeton-please wait

a few moments!" urged Leila, laying her hand gently on the American girl's round, white arm. "The mummers are all village folk who have known us and Gervis all their lives. They would be tarribly hurt if you ran away before the carols are finished."

It was Leila all over to be ever thoughtful of the feelings of others. "But I always do just what I've a mind to do!" said Gladdy, half fret-

"You shall see the old oak chest tomorrow, Mrs. Templeton, I promise you that," said Leila, much as she would have sought to pacify a fractious child. And Gladdy, docile enough where she loved-and already she loved Leila-turned with smiling eyes to the half-circle of upturned rustic faces out on the snow under the stars. lous, was led out upon the steps to bow

her thanks. "Her be rare and sweet to look upon, and that happy! God bless she, we do say!"—the whisper went round

among the mummers. "But Mister Gervis, he do look grave, he do, same's he had the weight o' all England on his shoulders," somebody added. And there were one or two head-shakes, for we can't keep day to gladden the earth. "And you-

neighbors quite as securely as we may imagine we do.

"Listen!" cried a voice from the hall. "Hark to the joybells! They've begun to peal."

From the distant villages and hamlets round came at one and the same moment a passionate peal of joy.

"The happy bells across the snow," telling once again the happy story to weary, sin-laden humanity that unto each and all a Savior was born!

For a few moments there was a little hush. The gay throng stood still and silent, just as did the shepherds on that first Christmas eve the world ever saw. Humanity held its breath in the face of the "glad tidings of great joy." And now, as then, the hush was followed by a burst of joyful song-the mummers' carol:

All glory be to God on high. And on the earth be peace;

Goodwill henceforth from heaven to men

Begin and never cease.

"Amen," murmured Leila's low, weet voice. And she raised wet eyes

to the Christmas stars above. Tonight she could once again say, God is good, God is good!" for to her sore heart the Comforter had come, the Christ-Child, with "healing on His

To Gervis Templeton, as he gave her one glance, it was as though he gazed on the face of an angel.

There was that in its holy, rapt look to help him on the right path. "Gladdy"- he moved to his wife's side—"I must take you indoors. This sort of night air is not good for you." A fragile, almost wasted little figure it was that he led into the house, and pitying eyes followed it.

"She's not long for this world; anybody can see that," the whisper went round.

"Oh, nonsense!" Lady Jane, as she caught it, frowned. "Everybody knows that American girls are like thistledown to look at, but they are wiry enough for all that; they make old women with the best of us."

"In a general way-yes; but as regards Mrs. Templeton, Lady Jane, you must face the fact that she is handicapped by a constitution so frail, and temperament so highly strung, that

any sudden shock might kill her!" "Mr. Ansdell! Glad to see you have ecovered."

Lady Jane wheeled round, to find the scientist, clad in irreproachable evecurly hair diamonds sparkled; while ning dress, at her elbow. His dark eyes were intently following the bride's made frock, had not a single ornament | drooping figure; for, oddly enough, Gladdy felt one of her miserable fits

"What is it? Are you chilled?" anxiously asked Gervis, when he got her into the deserted drawing room.

"I don't know-yes. I wish that man had stayed in his room, he frightens me!" gasped Gladdy, faintly.

"What man? You don't mean Ansdell? The poor old chap would do any mortal thing for you, Gladdy!' vis said, amazed.

"Oh, of course he would! Oh, no, no! I didn't mean that. I want"-"Oh, do you?" Leila turned her there was a pause—"I want Leila." A few minutes later Gladdy was in know, Gervis would tell you that many her own room, her new friend's soft arms round her.

"You are over-tired, Mrs. Templeton," Leila's soft, rich voice was sayadded: "Gervis did not tell me. I ing almost tenderly, for her heart was strangely drawn to this woman-she who ought to be the richest and happiest woman on earth, for had she not Gervis? Leila already knew instinctively that the bride was miserably un-

> "I am not strong," said Gladdy, presently. "I was always a weak thing, and I'd no mother to see to me, you know. But I never was like this before. It is since the night of the fire on the prairie. Perhaps I got a shock. Leila, I hate black eyes, don't you? Black, deep pools, that seem to hold all that is evil and bad in their depths?"

> "Oh, no!" Leila's own dark-blue eyes widened apprehensively. Could Gladdy be delirious? Was she on the verge of some fever? "I rather admire dark eyes, they flash and sparkle so

> She spoke calmly, as if to reassure the trembling girl beside her.

> "I don't mean dark eyes. I mean eyes black as pools of ink, cruel eyes. that hold your very soul in a grip of iron. Leila, such eyes have a wicked power. Their owner could make one commit any crime, perhaps even murder! Oh, that's why I feel such an agony of fear at times! Suppose I did something!"

Leila drew her brows together in

bewilderment. "Dear, I can't think where you can have seen such eyes. But there's one thing I know. Supposing the powers of evil are suffered to tempt or force us to be their tools, I know and believe that the powers of good-God the Presently Gladdy, pink and tremu- | Father and God the Son-are far stronger, and that with Their help we can safely resist all evil influences."

"You mean to tell me your faith is so real, so intense?" Gladdy bent forward until her thin, sharp little face touched the soft

round of Leila's cheek. "Why, yes!" was the astonished answer. To doubt for Leila would be to question whether the sun rose each our heart secrets locked up from our you also believe in God's goodness? Milwaukee Journal.

How can we listen to the story the joybells are telling and feel one scrap of

doubt?' "I wish I were real good, like you," sighed Gladdy. "Leila, do you know sometimes, quite lately, a strong feeling has come to me that my life will be a short one? I haven't enough stamina in me to live."

She stretched out her thin Little hands to warm them at the blaze of the wood fire. Leila gazed from them to her in profound amazement.

Was this how a happy bride talked, then? And on Christmas eve, too, when the thought of Christmas peace was warming each heart.

"Shall I send Gervis to you?" she said, softly, wondering a little at her own strength.

But Gladdy, unheeding, continued to stare wistfully into the leaping blaze, and the Christmas bells pealed on through the frosty air.

CHAPTER IX. Christmas day, with its happy greetings and its gifts, its peaceful services, its feasting of the poor and its great home dinner, was drawing to a close.

It was night, and the merrymakings at their height. The old mansion of Temple-Dene, every nook and cranny of it, was filled with guests, who had come from far and near, bidden to the festivities.

Round a monster Christmas tree danced happy children, eager to grasp the gifts dealt out to them by Santa Claus, a stately figure, snow-covered and holly-decked, sham icicles hanging from his hair and beard, nobody guessing that under the disguise was

Gervis himself. He, and Gladdy also, had thrown themselves with childish glee into the evening's amusements; while Leila and little Syb, fairly exhausted by the toil of decorating the hall, the gallery and the numerous rooms, were well content to look on at the revels in which the whole establishment, guests and servants alike, were joining. There was one exception, however.

In the quiet, distant library, Francis Templeton sat among his dumb friends, the long row of books. He alone, the master of the house, was absent from the Christmas rejoicings. Never more would he mingle with his fellow men.

But in the revelry now at its height he was not even missed. "We must have 'Sir Roger de Cover-

ley' and then supper!" at last cried Lady Jane. It was so long since the poor lady had tasted the joy of entertaining her neighbors that she threw herself into

the business of the moment with genuine zest. "My dear!" She seized the skirts of Gladdy's silver brocade dress as the girl fled past with a couple of flushed, eager children, one on each side. The bride had apparently cast off her melancholy of the provious night, and was radiantly gay. "You must dance 'Sir Roger' with Barnes, our good old butler, you know. You must, really!" in-

sisted Lady Jane. "Oh, but Mith Templeton ith going to show uth the big black box where the poor lady was shut up dead!" lisped a fair-haired boy in blue velvet and point lace.

"Never mind, little man, I'll take you up to the gallery after the dance is over."

Gladdy stooped to kiss the

pointed, rosy mouth. Presently the whole company who were not dancers crowded close to see the popular, old-fashioned dance led off by the dainty, fragile bride, in her gleaming jewels and shimmering gown, and the venerable, white-haired Barnes, the trustiest of the Temple-Dene retainers.

At the opposite end of the two long rows of dancers was Leila Desmond, trails of scarlet holly berries on her white gown and in her sunny hair, her partner being the small boy in blue velvet, Gladdy's lisping admirer. (To be continued.)

THE BASHFUL MAN.

Ngedlessly Alarmed the Young Lady Covering His Grip.

A bashful young man had sat for some time in the terminal station ar Philadelphia, waiting for his train to be announced. His grip he had shoved under his seat. Finally he jumped up and sought the train announcer for the third time. He was told that his train time had at last arrived. Then the young man remembered his grip, which he had left under the seat in the waiting room. Hurrying back, he was amazed to find a beautiful girl occupying the place he had left a moment before. His grip was hidden by her skirts and the bashful young man saw no way of getting at it. He feared that he would miss his train, so he decided to speak to the young lady. Strutting up to herein a flustered state, his intention to politely ask her to allow him to get his grip was forgotten and he blurted out with: "Pardon me, lady, but you are sitting on a nail and might tear your dress." With a bound the girl was out of the seat, when the young man grabbed his grip and fairly ran through the waiting room and to his train. The girl blushed as others sitting near giggled and she, too, hurried out to the train shed and waited there for her train.

Need Not Wire Boxes.

The western classification committee, in session at Hot Springs, Ark., has decided not to require the wiring of boxes containing boots and shoes, millinery goods and other small articles. A protest from Milwaukee shippers made by Secretary H. B. Wilkins of the Merchants and Manufacturers' association, was the cause of action .-

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M. Bigelow & Son

#### LOCAL ITEMS

Delineators for January at this of-

Robt. Walmsley is reported very

Herb Rodan of Caro is in town this

J. D. Brooker left Tuesday for

Meredith Auten visited in Caro Puesd iv.

A. McPhail of Shilo was in town Monday.

F. Higgins of Ubly was in town

Frank Bliss of Elkton was in town Wednesday.

Dr. Morrison will be at Gordon's

Cavern, Jan. 5th. Jas. Maulley of Bad Axe did busi-

ness here Saturday. Thos. Bliss of Gagetown transacted

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F. L. Horgar of Gagetown transactousiness here Tuesday.

W.C. Janks and wife visited with friends in Caro Sunday. J. D. Breoker spent Saturday and

Sunday in Port Huron. The Buffalo Illustrated Express is kept on sale at this office.

J. Fitchett and son of Gagetown were in town Wednesday.

Mose Himelhoch and Jennie Martin of Caro Sundayed in town. R. H. Glaspie of Oxford transacted

business in town Wednesday. Geo. Dunster of Bad Axe placed a

piano in the home of W.n. Heller. D. B. McNaughton of Argyle was

the guest of friends in town Sunday, P. G. Davis of Mayville is in town this week inspecting our public school. Hartsell were married at Caro Wed-

Laura Wickware left Tuesday for teaching in Holland. two week's visit with friends in

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Hendricks rein Saginaw.

Mrs. E. F. Marr was called to Cumber Wednesday by the serious illness of her mother. Jas. Armstrong is doing an exten-

lars and cuffs,

Harry Pinney made a business trip to Ann Arbor and other southern points this week.

Preparations are in progress for an his home in Argyle. old fashioned Xmas festival at the Evangelical church. Mrs. Dora Fritz and children left

Tuesday for Port Huron to spend the holidays with relatives.

Rev. F. Rushbrook returned Tues-

been assisting in revival meetings. Mrs. Sam'l Champion left Wednes-

guest of her mother during the holi- on their building. On account of the absence of the pasto; there will not be any preach-

Norman Morrison, who has been working in Secewaing, stopped here

Sunday on his way to Ithica where he | has secured work. Miss Gallop, who has been assisting in Mr . Moore's millinery shop for the

past ten weeks, returned to her home in Flushing Wednesday. Mr, and Mrs, McKillop, who have

been the guests of A. D. Gillies and family for several days, left Monday for their home in Canada, Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Bogert left for

Saginaw this week where they expect to spen 1 the winter amid the youthful surroundings of their children. Chas. Herr has pursued a wise course. He has taken unto himself a

helpmeet in the person of Reba Meredith. Many happy days to the young comple. Miss Hannah Henderson, who has

been employed at Mrs. Lee's for the past three months, returned home last Saturday on account of the poor health of her mother.

Frank Cooper of Laingsburg, who has been buying poultry here for several weeks past, left town Saturday leaving behind him an accumulation of debts and fond remembrances.

Pinney & Matzen received a second consignment of Belgian hares from W. W. Wood of Edwinstoe, England. They are Crystal Palace winners and are considered the finest specimens on American soil.

Wm. McCallum of Greenleaf died Tuesday, Dec. 11, at the age of 82 years. The deceased has been a resident of Greenleaf for the past 18 years and leaves four sons and three daughters. The funeral will be held from the Fraser church today and burial at Elkland cometory,

Wm. Ratz left Tuesday for a trip to

Mrs. Wm. Orr of Bay Port is in own this week. Newman Frost returned home from

Armada Monday. Wm. Wallace, Jr. has moved in the

Alvers house on Third St.

Herb Frutchey is making an extended business trip to Baltimore.

Mabel Blinn of Caro was the guest of F. C. Lee and family Friday. The skating on the South river is

reported fine, but swimming better. Mr. and Mrs. I. B. Auten spent Wednesday and Thursday in Detroit, Mrs. C. McGeorge of Kingston is the guest of Mrs. E. A. McGeorge this

Pastor Rushbrook preaches at the Wickware Gospel hall next Sunday at 2:45 p. m.

Watch for bargains at Mrs. M. L Moore's in all trimmed hats, street hate and caps.

Wm. Heller and wife entertained a few friends at an oyster supper on Wednesday evening. The CHRONICLE shows up big this

week. It will pay—in dollars and cents—our readers to study every advertisement. They are so numerous that we cannot mention them separ-

Dr. Morris has warrants for the arrest of Mr. Turner of Gagetown charged with assult and battery, and Dan Hutchinson of Gagetown charged with the use of profane language in the presence of ladies.

While running down Seed's hill Monday, Stella Fancher accidently fell, bruising her head in such a way as to form a concussion of the brain. Dr. Wickware was immediately summoned and at present Miss Stella is improving nicely.

Dr. McClinton of Croswell is in town this week greeting old friends. After spending a few days in Bad Axe, the Dr. and his wife will leave for Florida Wm. Wallace Sr. and Mrs. Lizzie to spend the winter. The Dr. tells us

turned Tuesday from a few days stay pastor here presents the interests of et. Mr. Britten uttered a good many the Twentieth Century movement at excellent truths, but unfortunately Kingston and East Dayton and lect- used some very cheap sarcasm at the ures at Owosso on Tuesday on "Where expense of those who differ with him. Wonderful Centuries Meet."

Louis Watson of Argyle met with a urday. A tree fell on him disfiguring his face quite badly. He came in on the late train Saturday evening and stopped over night with Elmer Yakes. On Sunday morning he was taken to

The ladies of the G. A. R. Post are arranging for an oyster supper to be given at their hall on Wednesday evening, Dec. 19. The proceeds are to be used in payment of the G. A. R. Colon Monroe is unable to attend to hall. The ladies always furnish elabhis duties at Fairweather's store this orate spreads and the coming supper will be no exception. Twenty-five cents will pay the bill. It is to be day from Port Huron where he has hoped that our citizens will turn out en masse and thereby help the old boys along in their endeavor to raise day for Toledo where she will be the the indebtedness which is still resting

> The temperance meeting at the M. E. church on Wednesday evening was poorly attended. Rev. F. E. Britton

Believing the winter will be short and wishing to dispose of all heavy goods before spring, we make the following cash prices to close them out. On the following dates we make good these

### Sale Prices

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Bring in your butter and eggs.

the text, "We preach not ourselves that Miss Claudie is attending school but Christ Jesus." He took the posiit Alma and Miss Winnie is still tion that the preacher and the church cannot consistently preach Christ and Rev. G. W. Gordon of Kingston will be Christly unless they maintain an occupy the pulpit of the M. E. church uncompromising position against the Sunday morning and evening. The saloon and vote the prohibition tick-

His presentation of Christ as Lord and King was grand, but his Irish il- Racket Store. A first class line of sive business in the sale of rubber col- painful accident at Rose City last Sat- lustrations fell flat. Mr. Britten will goods bought at eash prices and can have to practice a while longer before he can mimic an Irishman. Intelli- other merchant. Please call and exgen people admire candor and sincerity in the pulpit.

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