## Twenty-second Annual CLEARING SALE



#### DECEMBER 27

We commence our twenty-second annual clearing sale and until Feb. 1, our annual stock taking time, we will offer the following lines (for cash only) as well as many others at the extremely low prices named.

All Men's, Boys' and Children's Suits at 20 to 30 per

All Men's, Boys' and Children's Overcoats at 20 to 30 per cent discount.

All Fur Coats at 20 to 30 per cent discount.

All Fur Gloves and Mittens at 20 to 30 per cent discount.

All soft and stiff Hats at 20 to 30 per cent discount.

All Men's and Boys' Pants at 20 to 30 per cent discount. All Men's and Boys' Underwear at 20 to 30 per cent

All Men's and Boys' Caps at 20 to 30 per cent discount. 137 Pairs of Pingree Company's Gloria \$3.50 shoes at 2.75. 128 Pairs of Pingree Company's Composite \$3.00 shoes at

All \$2.50 Ladies' Shoes at 2.00.

Others may give you more discounts but not the values. A Merry Xmas and a Happy New Year to all.

## J. D. CROSBY & SON,

Cass City's Shoe and Clothing Men.

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# COAL

It is perfectly natural that you should want all the heat a dollar will produce. We can help you out in that direction. We carry a large stock of Coal and are prepared to make a prompt delivery of an article that will please you.

## We buy all kinds of Grain

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We sell Grain, Hay, Coal, Lime and Cement.

We will deliver anything you buy from us in the city. \$

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Is the place to get your \$8 Buckwheat Grinding Done

We are better prepared to take care of you than ever. We grind every day in the week.

Ask your grocer

WHITE LILY CERESOTA and **FANCHON** 

These are the best flours on the market.

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Free delivery to any part of the city. Call Phone No. 1.

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BETTER RURAL SCHOOLS.

The President of the State Teachers' Asso ciation Urges Them.

Prof. S. B. Laird of Ypsilanti, presdent of the State Teachers' association, in his address before that organization at Lansing this week said there was less ground for satisfaction in the consideration of the rural schools of the state than pertains to any other branch of the educational buildings and equipment, the experience and qualification of teachers, and the shortness of the school year. He declared that buildings and grounds must be improved and that the teacher should be treated more of Sebewaing, Mrs. Cora Atfield of justly as to salary and tenure of po-

responsibilities of the city and village bereavement. school superintendent, and not have him uncertain as to his employment from year to year. The conditions in Michigan, he said, had driven some of the best workers and brainiest men to other fields. He favored consolidation of county school districts and township high schools.

The address closed with an appeal for funds for the erection of a monument to John D. Pierce, the founder of Michigan's educational system.

#### MERE MENTION.

The Montague hotel in Caro will be re-opened Jan. 15. W. C. Furman of St. Louis, Mo., has leased it for a term

One of Lapeer's oldest landmarks was destroyed last Monday night when the old Catholic church burned to the ground. The church was built in October, 1860, by Rev. Fr. Decunic, one of the early Catholic missionaries to Lapeer.

The following item is taken from ton. Pigeon Progress: "Congressman ton. McMorran has been assured by the postoffice department at Washington, postoffice department at Washington, D. C., that his request that Huron rural mail routes will be granted and that the matter will be given the department's special attention and the service will be established in the early summer. This is good news for the farmers of this county, and it also is another proof that we now have a congressman who does things. A county system simply means that the whole county will be laid with rural mail routes making a thorough and complete mail system. The work will be done by special agents of the department and the various routes will be established without the circulating of any petition or other work on the part of the farmers of this county.

The Herald-Times of West Branch had the following interesting item last week concerning the poet, Henry Dodge, who is spending the holidays at his home in Elmwood: "Henry Dodge of Elmwood, dropped into our sanctum the other day while on his way home to spend the holidays and furnished us a half hour's diversion that we won't soon forget. Mr. Dodge possesses poetical instincts along the humorous vein which were it not for his innate modesty in placing his productions before the public, would home of Ed Crawford this week. bring him more notoriety than James Whitcomb Riley ever attained. He is a genius of no mean ability, with first of the week to visit friends. more mirth to the square inch of his anatomy than any man this side of the golden gate. The verses flow from his pen as readily as bullets from a rapid fire gun, some of which the Herald-Times has occasionally given ts readers. We've importuned him for more, but as intimated above they may not come. Mr. Dodge's interest in this locality consists of small purposes. He has something over 100,000 feet of lumber at Piper lake, hauled to the railroad this winter, and has let a contract to A. J. Warner of Damon, to get out a lot of cedar and tamarack."

### મુંત્રમાં વર્ષો વર્ષો તર્માં તરાકું ત Deaths of the Week

The death angel entered the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Lacroix on Tuesday evening and took from them their twenty-year-old daughter, Miss Jennie, who has been a patient sufferer for the past three months, during which time she has been confined to the house. She has been failing in health for a year or more, but through all her illness she has been courageous cember 8, 1884, in Bruce township, Macomb county, and eleven years ago

City where she has since resided. She was a member of the Presbyterian church, having joined about two years ago. The funeral services were held Thursday afternoon at two o'clock in the Presbyterian church, Rev. E. H. Bradfield officiating and the remains laid to rest in Elkland cemetery. The floral tributes were very beautiful consisting of a large wreath of roses and carnations presented by the members of the Presbysystem. He spoke in regard to the terian church, and large bouquets of roses, hyacinths and carnations from several of her young lady friends. Besides her parents she leaves three brothers, Louis, Henry and James: and four sisters, Mrs. Eva Nickerson, Shabbona, and Lizzie and Amy. The family has the heartfelt sympathy of He would increase the powers and the entire community in their sad

#### LOCAL ITEMS.

M. Carolan made a trip to Gagetown Saturday.

Mrs. W. N. Straube is on the sick

list this week. Miss Mabie McNair of Flint is visting friends in town.

Walter Bender was in Owendale Saturday on a business trip.

Miss Jessie Clarke is spending the week with friends in Detroit.

Clarence Crawford is visiting with

friends in Deerfield this week. Roy Gifford of Romeo was the guest

of friends in town over Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Bender have gone to Ruth to visit with relatives. Miss Luanna Bellow is visiting with

her mother at Port Sanilac this week. A. W. Traver was in Detroit and Pontiac last week on a business trip. Miss Martha Henry is spending the week at her parental home at Lexing-

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Moore were the guests of friends at Hay Creek Mon-

C. W. Hulburt returned home Friday evening after a week's stay at

Charles and Miss Mary Walker of Argyle spent Sunday with N. Gable and family.

Mrs. Wm. Whalen of Detroit spent Sunday with her sister, Mrs. Wm. Hebblewhite.

Miss Gulick of Fenton is spending the week with her brothers, M. L. and Geo. A. Gulick.

Mr. Kratzenburg of Mt. Pleasant is visiting at the home of B. Lauderbach this week. The installation of officers for Tyler

Lodge, No. 317, F. & A. M. occurred on Tuesday evening. George Crawford has returned home

from California, where he has been the past few months. The week of prayer will be observed

in the Methodist church beginning Jan. 1 with suitable services. Dr. and Mrs. M. M. Wickware and

Miss Maude Anderson were the guests of Caro friends over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Spencer of North Branch are visiting at the

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. McGeorge and son, Lewis, went to Howard City the

Dr. and Mrs. A. N. Treadgold and Herbert and Nina Karr spent Christmas day with Mr. Treadgold's mother at Ubly.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Crawford attended the family reunion held at the home of Jas. Gaynor at North Branch on Christmas

Mrs. J. L. Hitchcock left on Monlumbering operations and the picking day morning for a visit with friends up of lands for timber and speculation in Detroit, and also with her sister at Newton Falls, Ohio.

Rev. E. Sedweek, pastor of the cut from sunken logs, which will be Methodist church at Tecumseh, will preach in the Methodist church here next Sunday morning.

> Dr. Lou Orr of Caro is attending to the practice of W. M. Morris, V. S., while the latter with his family is visiting friends at Toronto, Ont.

> Mr. and Mrs. A. Snelling and Mr. and Mrs. N. Karr of Kingston attended the play "Rip Van Winkle" at the opera house Tuesday evening. The Ladies' Aid of the M. E. church

> will meet at the home of Mrs. D. J. Landon next Wednesday afternoon. Tea will be served at the usual hour. Misses Etta Wickware of Akron

and Myrtle Wickware of Wickware this vicinity. After a month's stay are spending their holiday vacation at their parental home here. Mr. and Mrs. Amos Bond left Wed-

nesday morning for an extended trip and cheerful and the messenger came through southern states. Their first Greenleaf, who were called to Ortonwhile she slept. She was born De-stopping place will be at Chatta-ville recently on account of the senooga, Tenn.

she came with her parents to Cass joyed a party at the opera house on improving in health.



#### Cut Down the Fuel Bill

The cold snap will make a decided inroad on your fuel supply. To economize in this particular, you will find it a "saving in the long run" to purchase from our line of

### Storm Doors and Windows

which will render your home much more "cold proof" than it has ever been. 'Tis false economy to allow the leaks when you have so effective and inexpensive a remedy as these articles will prove to be against the cold weather.

Speaking of fuel, we desire to call your attention to our extensive line of hard and soft coal. You will find what you want at our yard. Select your needs from the

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A Full Line of Building Material.

# CASS CITY LUMBER & COAL CO.

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We have the best assortment of useful gifts yet Bibles, Books, Fountain Pens, Toilet Sets, Perfume, Medallions and a fresh Stock of Lowney Chocolates,

Ask us for the best calendar you ever saw for 1905.

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L. I. WOOD & CO., Druggists

# The Young Man

Who made his wife's Christmas Gift "THE MALLEABLE"

gave the finest present which we sold during the Holiday Season, and we dare say the finest which was sold in Cass City.

> EIGHTY NOW IN USE IN THIS VICINITY.....

Menday evening. Roy Gage and Morley Wickware of Gagetown were among the outsiders who attended. Miss Sarah McGillvray of Jackson is

spending some time with relatives in here she expects to go to Washington, D. C., to spend the remainder of the winter season.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Roblin, of rious illness of the former's mother, re-A number of the young people en- turned here Tuesday. Mrs. Roblin is above firm.

Word was received here Tuesday announcing the sudden death of Joseph Koon, of Stockbridge, father of the Misses Ella and Kate Koon, former teachers in the public schools at this place.

C. F. Collins left this week to spend a month with friends in Silver Creek. New York. His place as tinsmith at N. Bigelow & Sons' hardware store is being filled by J. F. McKnight of Corunna, a former employe of the

More Locals on Last Page.

## Tri-County Chronicle.

KLUMP-LENZNER Co., PUBS.

- MICHIGAN. CASS CITY,

The difference between charity and reform is that charity occasionally begins at home.

When a fellow has money to burn, there are a lot of others who believe in spontaneous combustion.

"Some men," observes the New York Evening Mail," "are honest only when they swear." Honest?

If a girl is only attractive enough, she gets all the more invitations when she deesn't know how to skate.

The celluloid back comb of a Chicago young woman exploded the other day. What red hair she must have!

The new Servian cabinet lasted just one day. If it was so soon to be done for, we wonder what it was begun for.

In Chicago they are now kidnaping chorus girls. These homes for the aged have got to be filled up somehow.

still working there should also be a sharp decline in lambs' wool on Wall street. One of the most thoughtful suicides

If the law of supply and demand is

on record is that of the Kentucky man who paid all his debts before taking William Kane, neighbors, he entered his life. \$16.50 for a lock of Thackeray's

hair! Many a young man cherishes a lock of hair that he wouldn't sell for double that.

If there is another Andrew Carne gic, probably he feels flattered, too, to think that anyone could borrow \$1, 250,000 on his name.

Of course, Mr. Lawson hopes that there haven't been any members of the New York yacht club caught in killed also. the stock market this week.

The Bidwells, however, with their \$5,000,000 operation in connection with the bank of England, still hold the record by a small margin.

King Peter of Servia announces that he is in favor of arbitration. Al of his sister. most anybody would, in Peter's place, e an enthusiast on the subject

Victims of kleptomania should take care to have a good social position or they are likely to be mistaken for

shoplifters and treated accordingly. What satisfaction would it bring to a bald-headed man if he could grow

another crop of hair? People would only say that he was wearing a wig. Thomas W. Lawson and Col. Greene might both be able to make up their

around themselves and charge admis the German army. Judging from the record already established by motor

Tosses if they would build a fence

warfare. Whenever a rich American girl makes up her mind that she wants one there seems to be an earl, or a marquis or a duke or something left

somewhere. The St. Louis Globe-Democrat is our authority for the statement that women are easier to wake than men. But it's mighty hard to put their sus-

Think of the collection of 1,179,713 printed books and pamphlets in the congressional library at Washington! How many lifetimes it would take to read them through!

picions to sleep.

The young men report that the flowers that bloom in the spring, tra-la! don't interest the girls now a bit. What they want is the roses that bloom in the hothouse.

The Ambidextrious society has been organized in London for the purpose of encouraging people to use both hands with equal facility. All the pickpockets ought to join.

Prof. Alexander Graham Bell thinks he has solved the aerial navigation problem. It is to be hoped that he has at least provided himself with a feather bed upon which to fall.

A dispatch from South America says no revolutions are going on there at this time. It is midsummer in South America and the people probably are trying their best to keep cool.

Here is that old, old question again as to how it is that the women dupe men so easily, not only in money affairs, but in about everything else. The conundrum is as old as Adam. So is the answer.

Mme. Rejane, the frisky French actress, declares that "American society women are the best dressed in the world." But in some cases, either the goods or the money seem to give

out before the shoulders are covered. A young woman who sued a New York street railway company for \$5,-000 damages because she fell while attempting to get on a car lost her case in court. The papers say she is very beautiful, but that must be a mistake, as it took the jury only five minutes to decide against her.

IN HASTE.

ily Shattered.

advertisement she said she became acquainted with Albert Graves, of Mason

City, Ia., a man about 56 years of age.

pearance in Grand Rapids on April 20

was so surprised and overcome by the

"When we left my home," she said,

had procured a marriage license.

was so surprised at the suddenness of

All of the strange romances which I

had read in love stories seemed to

pass through my mind and I guess I

"The next day he struck my mother

because she did not have dinner ready

for him. He took me to the union de

pot with him to take a train for Chicago. I wanted to see my father,

who was about to return on an excur-

sion train from Ionia, and just as we

were quarreling it drew into the depot.

told father that my husband wanted

me to go away without seeing him. I

said I did not want to leave home and my father informed me that I did not

need to. My husband protested and my

wife secured a divorce while he was

corresponding with me and just a few days before he came to Grand Rapids."

RED WINS.

The Pottawatomie Tribe Are Paid An

Old Claim.

and for years lawyers have been work-

ing to secure for the remaining descendants of the original land sellers

the fortune owed them by Uncle Sam.

Congress allowed \$78,329 for the red men, but "expenses" knocked of about \$16,456 of this, and the rest is

divided among the heirs of the orig-

inal braves-heirs that range from

blinking papooses to gray headed old

fact, it is alleged that some of the

since each new baby arriving before

certain time was entitled to a share

in the boodle. At any rate, Athens

has seen a birth record of copper ba-

bies this summer sufficient to give joy

Building Dedicated.

The Michigan Employment Institute

for the Blind was formally dedicated in

Saginaw Thursday night, a large audi-

ence being present. Gov. Bliss presided

and received the keys of the building in

behalf of the state from William G.

Van Auken, president of the board of

rustees. In his speech Gov. Bliss said

that in his message he would recom-

mend all existing state buildings be en-

MICHIGAN NEWS IN BRIEF.

The council has granted a franchise

to the Battle Creek, Grand Rapids &

Inland Lakes Interurban Co. This ends

James Doletto, the crazed Italian

who wrecked the Fifth Reformed church in Grand Rapids, will be

George Steimel, aged 80, was found

dead in bed by his son. He had never

The remains of John Gournoe, the

valley of St. Mary's, were laid to rest

in Riverside cemetery, below Sault

Sheriff Burgess, of Saginaw, received

Grant M. Hudson, representative-elect

of the second district of Kalamazoo, fell

down stairs and is suffering from a dis-

located hip, which will prevent his at-

tending the early sessions of the legis-

The State Teachers' association will

be in session in Lansing December 27.

28 and 29. A fine program has been

prepared and the meetings will be held

Col. Harry Bandholtz, of Constantine,

Mrs. E. C. Trethrick, wife of a farm-

er living near Battle Creek, was ren-

dered unconscious by a runaway acci-

dent, and as she lay in the street some

who has been in charge of a division of

in the Masonic temple.

best-known citizens of Sutton's Bay.

a big fight over the matter.

taken to Kalamazoo asylum.

Ste. Marie, Thursday.

lature.

larged, rather than build new ones.

to all anti-race suicide people.

corpulent, pipe-smoking squaws.

but I did not go with him.

led me to the house.

Helen Graves, an 18-year-old com-

#### DEADLY SOUVENIR.

A Navy Shell Does Dendly Work in a A Young Girl's Love Dream Was Speed-Penceful Home.

Lifeless and horribly mutilated, the body of Mrs. Mamie Barnes, aged 26 plainant in a divorce case, related a years, was found Thursday noon remarkable story in the Grand Rapids across the threshhold of a doorway at circuit court. Through a matrimonial the family home, 253 Pine street, De-

A shell, containing a powerful ex-plosive, which had been sent as a cu-stockman, which was fascinating to rio to Mrs. Barnes by her brother, her. She replied to the innocent-apwm. Mayhu, a United States navy gunner stationed at Newport News, struck up a correspondence, culminating in the westerner putting in an appropriate of her death, although ing in the westerner putting in an appropriate of the death, although in the westerner putting in an appropriate of the death, although in the westerner putting in an appropriate of the death, although in the westerner putting in an appropriate of the death, although in the westerner putting in an appropriate of the death.

murder was at first feared.

The condition of the room, which The condition of the room, which of this year. He induced her to go was used as a back parlor, strength for a drive, and they went to the home ens the explosion theory. The floor, walls and ceiling were besmeared with human blood and fragments of human blood and human blood and fragments of human blood and human b skin and flesh. They were also badly damaged by the force of the explosion. Mrs. Barnes's fingers and hands had been practically blown into shreds.

Many of the latter were hanging from the ceiling. At 9:30 o'clock neighbors heard the detonation of a terrific explosion. Rushing out of doors in their alarm they sought the cause, but failed to find it. The Barnes home, as well as

others in the vicinity, was quiet. A few minutes before 12 o'clock a passing milkman noticed smoke issuing from an open window of the Barnes home. With William Shea and

the dwelling. Mrs. Barnes, shockingly disfigured, lay in the midst of flames. Seizing the woman the men dragged her out of the fire and called firemen.

The blaze was extinguished after a short fight. The fire had evidently been smouldering for several hours, and was just gaining headway. Had the rescuing party been much later the body would have been frightfully burned and the two little children, one only a few months old and the other less than 3

years old, would probably have been

Mrs. Barnes was preparing for Christmas when the fatality occurred. Wives laid secured decrees on the She was stringing popcorn for decorground of extreme cruelty. His last She was stringing popcorn for decorating a Christmas tree. Special preparations were being made as her brother, the one who sent her the deadly souvenir, was to be their Christmas guest. He is now on his way to Detroit, ignorant of the fate

Delinquent Tax Lands.

Auditor-General Powers is opposed buque, Ia., has just paid the famous to the talked-of changes in the general government claim of \$78,000 to the tax laws at the coming session of the remnant of the Pottawatomic Indians legislature. In his annual report he on the Athens reservation, an apporwill say that these changes should be tionment of \$210.98 to each young or prevented because the people are old Indian. The payment of this claim already familiar with the present law has been awaited for years. In the and the constructions which have early days the Pottawatomies were inbeen placed on it by the supreme duced to give up valuable lands and court. The law has resulted in the settle at Athens. The full payment sale of more than 300,000 acres within was never made, it has been claimed, the past two years for about \$375,000. During many years past these lands have been a source of increasing expense to the state. They were valueless to the counties through the fact that no taxes were paid upon them, and by reason of their non-improvement and progress of the townships A corps of motorists is planned for and communities to which they were related was retarded. It is said that the operation of this law has resulted warriors, strong young bucks and in a reduction of the delinquent adverists, they ought to be invincible in tising expense of the state from a maximum of \$66,000 to an expense last year of \$33,000. last year of \$33,000.

#### New Postoffices.

It was announced at the treasury department today that advertisements will be out in a few days for bids for the construction of public buildings at Muskegon and Adrian, Mich. Former bids were thrown out because they were too high and there must be a re-The specifications for the advertising. Owosso building are being prepared and an advertisement for bids will issue inside of ten days. There is an appropriation of \$40,000 for the Owosso structure. Rep. Fordney is after \$15,000 additional. If he gets it, changes and enlargements will be pro-

vided for. Bids have been received for the construction of the Flint building, but the contract has not yet been awarded.

### Typhoid Epidemic.

Menominee people are considerably agitated over the pure water question. Reliable bacteriologists have pronounced the water supply as dangerous, being infected with sewage. At a recent special election to determine the question of whether the city should buy the plant or not and put in a filter, the proposition to buy was turned down. Since that it is stated the water has grown steadily worse. An epidemic of typhoid fever, which has been raging with more or less severity for two months is laid at the door of the polluted water.

#### Payment Made.

Andrew Payment, under bonds awaiting sentence in Sault Ste. Marie for taking liberties with a young girl, was a letter from a lovelorn female who found dead in bed at his home Tuesday wanted to marry Ollie Freeman, colored, with a bullet in his brain. An empty sentenced to five years in Jackson priswhisky bottle was at the side of the on for burglary, before his incarcerabed. It was evidently a case of suicide. Payment was a single man, and had been employed as a lineman at the locks for many years. It is believed he had been dead in the house for two days. The doors and windows were all fastened from the inside.

#### Made a Bonfire.

The officers of Van Buren county celebrated the holidays with an expensive bonfire, the fuel consisting of 11 nickel-in-the-slot machines, the cost of which was about \$1,500. The machines which was about \$1,500. The machines with has been in a few days for Manila, was the Philippine constabilary, and who haven and were of the finest make, leaves in a few days for Manila, was Haven and were of the finest make. They were burned by order of the cir-tendered a banquet by military men in cuit court and their contents, consisting Grand Rapids. of \$20 in nickels, was conveyed into the county treasury.

The Saginaw members of the Spanmean thief robbed her of all the money ish war crew of the good ship Yosemite have formed "The Blue Jackets of '98." she had.

C. W. Post will serve his 600 employes with a chicken dinner at the Battle Creek auditorium on New Year's eve. He has engaged the Women's league to furnish the dinner and do the serving.

The state board of osteopathy will prosecute a number of physicians who are practicing osteopathy without a license. The board also decided on a three years' course as necessary before a diploma will be granted.

The Grand Rapids-Muskegon Water Power Electric Co. was recently organized under the laws of Maine with a capitalization of \$1,000,000, for the purpose of building one or more dams on the Muskegon river.

The wood portion of Cheboygan Novelty Turning works, consisting of a large two-story stock building, boiler house and office, burned Tuesday night. Loss \$4,000; partially insured. The pearing advertisement and soon they brick machine room was saved.

A 400-acre cranberry marsh on Thunder bay, near Alpena, is a verit-able gold mine, netting its owners several thousand dollars, the crop bringing the gross sum of \$80,000. An acre yields about 200 bushels of berries.

Rev. L. H. Trowbridge, of Detroit, until March, 1902, publisher of the Michigan Christian Herald, and one of romance of the situation that she the clerical Baptist leaders of the state, passed away Sunday merning in Los Angeles, Cal., where he had gone in the "I did not dream that I was going to lope of bettering his health. be married. I was not aware that he

Henry King, 18, living near Millburg, was hunting rabbits and in some manner discharged the gun he was carry it all that I did not have time to think. ing, blowing his arm off at the shoulder. The injured youth walked seven miles before he found aid, and fell unconmust have been thinking of them when he took me by the hand and scious as he neared his home.

George W. Hamm, the newly elected Republican judge of probate of Calhoun county has appointed Miss Louise Powers as probate register. Powers has been a clerk in the office of the register of deeds and S. F. Snyder's abstract office for several years.

While working in Nelson's lumber camp near Maple City, Sylvester Wicciorek, aged 21, was crushed between two logs so badly that amputation of his left leg was necessary. He has only been here from Poland two months, cannot speak English and is penniless.

Mrs. Catherine Dorf, of Grand Rapfather proceeded to give him a sound thrashing right before all the people. Mr. Graves took the train for Chicago, ids, who was shot some time ago by John A. Adamski, who afterward killed himself, is in a precarious con-"Later my parents and myself made a trip to Mason City and learned that he had been twice married and his She has been at the hospital since the shooting and it was thought for some time that she would recover "Michigan will undoubtedly received

the appointment of a foreign represen-tative of high rank," said Senator Russell A. Alger, who arrived at home from Washington. Monday, to spend the holidays. "I mean, something higher than a consulship—a minister."

Frank Whistle, an employe of the Durant-Dort carriage factory in Flint, is said to be the heir to a fortune of \$500,000 as the only living descendant of Thomas Whistle, who died about a year ago at Birmingham, Ala. He has engaged attorneys to look up the

Daniel Tellier, of Kalamazoo, a deaf tallie box containing two iron balls. The bottom of the box drops out at the touch of the button on the outside of the door and the balls roll across

During a lecture at Johnsfield Edwin Brinnon, aged 16, created a panic by exploding a dynamite cartridge by pick-Standish at once and his wound dressed. The boy's father was killed by the cars

a year ago. James Farrell was fined \$50 in the Muskegon police court for keeping a ambling house. The lld went on Sunday morning, and the place was raided and nineteen persons arrested, but only Farrell was fined. Chips, roulette wheel, crap table, cards and dice were all confiscated.

Part of the "Uncle Hez" theatrical company are detained in Battle Creek in quarantine on their private car, because two of the members are sick with diphtheria. Mrs. Frank Adams and Harry Summerville are the victims. The car will be held until the two sick ones recover.

Ira Howell, a machinist at Grobhiser's factory in Sturgis, was found dead on the main street, with several bruises on his head. At the inquest his death was found to have been caused by heart trouble, caused by alcoholic excess, and the bruises on his head from falling on the pavement.

Charles F. Hacker sat in a chair in a North Lansing saloon stone dead for nearly two hours before the fact was discovered. He came into the saloon, obtained a drink and sat down at the table. He remained in the same position so long that the keeper of the place made an attempt to rouse him, thinking that he had fallen asleep.

Mrs. Westly Wethy, who died at Traverse City, was formerly Miss Mary Nelson of Oxford. Since her childhood she has suffered from a pebeen ill in his life, and was one of the last of the original settlers of the reached woman's estate, when she used crutches

John Luppen, a Kalamazoo celery grower, two years ago sent \$75 to bring his brother Menko from Holland to this country. Menko never paid the money back, but declares that John and two prosse the case and order her release. or three of his friends, came to his house one night, called him out and gave him a terrible pummeling. He says this balanced accounts. John doesn't think his head is worth \$75, and sues to recover the amount. Menko brings counter suit for \$75 for personal injuries.

Thomas Green and his wife and daughter, Mrs. Dan McCollum, and little Marie McCollum, of Oakwood, were going to Oxford Wednesday, and commission. when near the Pontiac. Oxford & Northwestern railway crossing the and ran up the track ahead of the enby the trainmen stopping the engine until the party could be extricated.

Quanicassee Indians have been very returned from Masiou island, near Bay-1 badger, several mink and a skunk.

#### MORE WIVES.

Apostle Merrill Has Nine, Others Keep Twelve Millions Lost-Nine Marrying.

In the Smoot inquiry Tuesday Mrs. Fannie C. Thurber, a plural wife of Jos. Thurber, was sworn, She said she has means least, the decision of the beef four children and that her husband's trust that cattle and hog values must first wife has eight, Both wives live in go down, along with the rise in the Richfield, but in houses one block apart. The youngest child of the witness is 2½ years old.

Charles M. Owen, who has been associated with Mr. Tayler in accumulation by suicide and scatter to the winds over \$12,000,000 savings of the people. tion, testified that Apostle Taylor is reputed to have taken two wives within two or three years, and that Apostle Cowley has taken a new wife within hree years. Taylor now has five wives. said the witness.

"Where are Apostles Cowley and Taylor?" asked Mr. Burrows. "I understand they are in hiding in Canada," said the witness.

has nine wives, two taken since the Merrill has 45 children and 127 grandchildren.

Attorney Tayler then brought out a dates of marriages and the number of children born of these plural marriages since the manifesto.

#### There Are Giants.

After a year's visit to the land of the Eskimos, Capt, Christian Jensen, or Cryolite bark Silicon, arrived in Phila-delphia Sunday night. A strange tale is told by Jensen of a remarkable race settlement of Arsuck, ten miles from Ivigtut bay.

even nine feet tall. In features they resemble American Indians. They could not speak the language of the Eskimos and could only make known by signs that they had been driven by the signs that the signs from their homes in the interior by great storms and cold weather.

#### Samejima a Hero.

conceded that his heroism inspired his men and turned threatened disaster into a splendid victory. Gen. Samejima is an old Satsuma veteran of the war of the restoration and the Satsuma rebellion. He is gray haired and bent, but is wiry and active. He is an engineer, and was formerly a garrison commander. He is Japan's specialist in fortifications, and was called to Port Arthur to superintend the siege works. He was not asmute, has invented a door signal for signed to active command, and it is suppeople who cannot hear. It is a meposed in Tokio that Gen. Samejima replaced Gen. Tschly as division com-

#### "We Are All to Blame."

Admiral Birileff in a caustic letter to he St. Petersburg press rebukes those officers who have entered into a newspaper controversy over the chance of Rojestvensky with Togo, Admiral ing it with his knife. His right hand Rojestvensky with Togo. Admiral was nearly torn off. He was brought to Birileff regards the preparations of a third squadron as imperative.

He says every day's delay is a mis-

lemeanor and every week's a crime. It is the business of naval officers, numor, to lay aside their pens till the war is over and attend to business. There is no time now to try to locate the blame for the fact that Russia's navy was no better prepared. "As a matter of fact," Admiral Birileff says. "we are all guilty. If our heads are still on our shoulders, it is due to the forbearance of my long-suffering emperor."

#### Coming to Their Rights.

M. Witte, president of the ministerial council, who for two years has been searching to find ways to ameliorate Russian peasantry conditions, has prepared a memorandum of which the zar and Prince Mirsky approve.

M. Witte's aim is for the completion of the emancipation act of 1861 by ending the treatment of peasants a class apart, giving them a method of enabling them to free themselves on an equality with all other classes of the population and removing the restrictions upon initiative enterprises, which have crushed out all ambition. In order to accomplish this he proposes to abolish practically the whole system of laws applicable to peasants alone.

#### The Patterson Jury Disagreed.

Nan Patterson heard the announce ment that the jurymen trying her for the murder of Caesar Young had disculiar disease, her bones were so agreed, fainted was revived and sobbrittle her limbs would not bear her bing hysterically and hardly able to weight and she was obliged to walk walk was half led, half carried, back to with crutches. When a child and at her cell in the Tombs. Later she was in play she broke her legs eighteen times such a complete collapse that doctors and she was obliged to creep until she said her condition was serious. The jury stood six for acquittal and six for conviction, but so far as can be learned there was no juryman in favor of a first degree verdict. After the disagreement was said to be an even chance that District Attorney Jerome will nolle

> An earthquake in Panama, with a severe shock following ten slight ones, threw the residents of the town of David into a panic. Many houses were damaged and people camped in the streets.

> The cruisers San Francisco, New Orleans and Atlanta and the gunboat Marietta have been ordered out of

As the result of a vision, a number of Northwestern railway crossing the families, embracing about 25 persons, horse became frightened at a train have left Sioux Falls, S. D., for Cape Town, South Africa. The leader is C. K. gine. A serious accident was averted Hendrickson, who is looked upon as a prophet.

More than one million Christmas trees have been taken from the sides successful trapping this year, and it of the Green mountains to supply in is said that a party of them recently part the wants of New York and Boston, and now Vermont is stated to be port, with 750 muskrat pelts, 4 foxes, practically destitute of young spruce trees.

#### TRUSTED-BUSTED.

Suicide-Banks Fall. Speculative fever, operations on the Board of Trade, and last, but by no price to the consumers of the country, have combined to wreck 40 Iowa banks in a year, drive one-fourth of the cashiers of these banks to dishonored graves

The report of the state auditor to be made public in a few days will be the most startling that Iowa has ever known. The record of failures will be about forty. But these records fail to disclose the more astounding feature that these failures have been attended in many cases by suicide. Another featuer of which the state keeps no record is defalcations and forgeries which Continuing, he said Apostle Merrill have been discovered in several banks. The Soule case, at Iowa Falls, where manifesto. Consulting the church encyclopedia the witness said Apostla Merrill has 45 children and 127 grand-embezzlement of \$35,000 by an official of the Wappelo bank are cases in point. The shortage in each case was promptly great many names of persons reputed made good. Soule and the Wappelo of to be living in polygamy, together with ficial are serving their time in the state

#### "Frenzied Finance."

Thomas W. Lawson made the sensa-tional announcement Wednesday that he had been poisoned twice during the last three weeks. His life was saved. he declares, by physicians, who pumped

him out.
"I have been suddenly and mysteriof giants, some of whom visited the Eskimos and Danes at the mining settlement of Arsuck, ten miles from doctors worked over me for 24 hours before they pronounced my life out of These people never before had been seen, even by the Eskimos. They are copper colored and are seven , eight and even nine feet tall. In features they poisoning." Lawson said physicians were called in and employed the stomwhich was after dinner in a Boston hotel. Lawson's muscles were rigidly contracted and there was intense bodily pain and an alarming loss of strength. The attack was almost of a cateleptic nature. In general many of the symptoms of strychuine poison Gen. Samejima as the hero of the assault on Kekwan mountain fort. It is conceded that his beroism incrination to surject the heart sudden contraction of

#### Japs Still Capturing. Japanese troops have captured some important positions on Pigeon

their suspicions point.

bay. A dispatch from the Japanese army before Port Arthur says: "The right column of the army at 5 o'clock Thursday morning, taking advantage of the enemy's excitement, drove the enemy off an eminence north of Housanyentao on Pigeon bay and occupied the position, and at 7 o'clock dislodged the enemy from a hight on the peninsula west of Housanyentao, which we occupied, capturing one small gun. After the Japanese occupation of the positions the enemy made a counter attack, but was immediately repulsed. At present our occupation of the positions is practically secure."

#### Nicholas Refuses.

Emperor Nicholas formally notified the country today that the agitation for a constitution and the convocation of a national assembly is useless. Such is the construction placed upon the indorsement written in his own hand on the resolutions telegraphed by the Chernigov zemstov December 20, begging him in the most loyal manner to convoke legally elected members of the zemstovos to present a program of reforms for his consideration

The emperor wrote on the dispatch: "I consider the action of the president to be presumptuous and tactless. Questions of state administration are of no concern to the zemstovos, whose functions and rights are clearly defined by the law."

#### Eight Were Killed.

The side wall of the O. H. Peek building in Minneapolis, which was left standing by the great fire of last week. toppied over in a high gale early Tuesday onto the Crocker hotel, a threestory structure adjoining. The tons of brick and mortar crashed completely down through the flimsily constructed building, carrying floors and all into a mass of debris in the basement. There vas no warning of the disaster and the 14 persons who were sleeping in the various apartments were caught in the crushed structure. Eight of them were

#### Mormonism in Harlem.

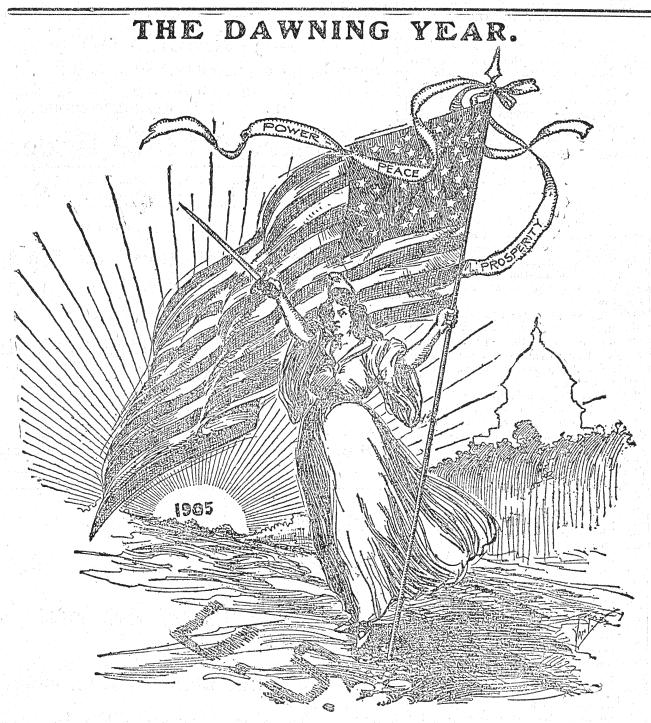
Mormon Elder McQuarrie has purchased property in Harlem, N. Y., for a church at which there is a great out-The greatest indignation was cry. manifested by heads of religious bodies all over Harlem, and by tenants in the neighborhood of the proposed headquarters of the sect when the news reached them. It is probable that an anti-Mor-mon organization of all Harlem religious bedies will be attempted to oppose the fruition of the plans.

Barloga, Greenfield. John bought a new stove and found \$1,500 in currency in it when he got home. He lugged the money back to the dealer. who had hidden it there and forgotten

Herbert Carson, aged 12, is under arrest in New York, charged with assault on his teacher, Michael B. Sharrlitt, who has a stab in his neck.

Mayor Kemple, of Akron, O., was among the contestants in a wood-sawing contest in front of the Akron Savings bank, for the benefit of the Salvation Army dinner to the poor. A

large amount was realized. Pope Pius is again afflicted with the gout, and was unable to walk Sunday. when he presided at the beautification of Gaspare de Bufalo, founder of the congregation of the precious blood. Over 30,000 people crowded St. Peter's cathedral to attend the ceremony.



# TROTTERS'

Love of Adventure Has Landed Many Men in Positions of Discomfort and Danger.

A grizzled, sun-tanned, hard-featured | man, whose face bore the stamp of hardship and adventure, was sitting in the smoking room of a New York hotel. He happened to glance at a calendar and saw that the day was Dec. 31.

"By Jove!" he exclaimed: "So tomorrow is New Year's day. Unless something happens before then, it will be the quietest New Year I've spent in twenty-three years.

"In all that time I have never been so near my old home in Scotland as I am now. Often I've tried to get home, but somehow or other New Year has always found me in a tight corner in some out-of-the-way part of the world."

This man's experience is typical of that of many of the globe-trotters in this age, when people are so fond of "going to and fro in the earth and walking up and down in it," like a certain personage in the Book of Job.

New Year's day, 1897, found one Englishman facing death from hunger and thirst on board a life raft 300 miles southeast of Madagascar.

His ship foundered seven days before in a hurricane. The boats were smashed by the fury of the waves and some of the crew washed overboard. The rest made a raft out of planks and spars, but during the night high seas swept over the frail structure and carried away most of the water and food.

"All we had left," said the man who went through this terrible experience. were a few tins of potted meat, a small barrel of biscuit and the smallest of the water casks. That was all we had to keep life in twenty-five hungry men.

'We made it last as long as we could, but in four days everything was gone. Some of the men fell into despair and talked about throwing themselves overboard. Perhaps they would have done so, but during the night of the fourth day half a dozen big sharks swam around the raft in circles. The sea was phosphorescent and we could see them plainly in the waves of livid fire which they stirred up as they swam around. Even the half-crazed men who had talked about drowning themselves shrank from death in a shark's maw and stayed upon the raft.

"Next morning I saw by a pocket diary which I carried that the day was Dec. 30. To keep up the men's spirits I told them I had dreamed we were going to be rescued on New Year's That appealed to the superstition inherent more or less in all sailors, so I kept on telling them a ship would come along and pick us up on that day sure, until I began to believe at myself. We even discussed gravely whether the sail would heave in sight in the morning or the afternoon, and one man who said he guessed it would be toward evening became quite

unpopular. "New Year's morning broke with a dead calm on the oily, blistering sea and a blazing sky that aggravated our thirst tenfold. There was not a ship in sight all morning—nothing except that glassy sheet of water and that cruel, cloudless sky above us. It was the same in the afternoon, and our hopes fell as the sun sank slowly toward the western horizon.

"Just as we were beginning to desnair, one of the men screamed hysterscally and pointed to a thin trail of them," commanded Gen. Manigat.

smoke on the sky line. It was a New Zealand liner headed straight for our raft. In a couple of hours her doctor and fever-stricken. So the governwas giving us a hearty dinner and slops and weak brandy and water."

This same man spent another New Year's day off Cape Horn. He sailed from Valparaiso in a British "windjammer," expecting to reach his Scottish home in time to spend his first calms delayed her for weeks in the South Pacific ocean, and when she got off Cape Horn she ran into a tearing gale, which brought her mizzen topmast down on deck and ripped out all her sails. For days she drifted helplessly, exposed to the full fury of the

western gale. The crew labored industriously at rigging up spare and bending new sails. It was a task of tremendous difficulty, for giant combers rolled over the forecastle head continually, filling the vessel amidships with green

Suddenly in the midst of this toil an apprentice piped out:

"I say, fellers, this is New Year's day. Have you all forgotten it?" "Belay your tongue," retorted the gruff old mate. "There won't be any New Year dinner to-day, except your

usual whack of lobscouse.' The skipper was superintending the work from the poop rail and heard the conversation.

"Cook!" he bawled out. "Lay aft hère!"

The cook came out of his galley and the captain asked what he could give them for a fancy dinner.

"Nothin' but split peas, sir, an' salt

horse and marmalade. There ain't no turkeys in my store-room, sir." he said. "Let's catch one o' them birds." suggested an old tar, pointing to several abatrosses which were circling about the wake of the ship. "We'll stretch a point this day and be for-

given for it. I guess." After several attempts an albatross was captured with a big fishhook baited with salt pork and dragged aboard triumphantly. Served up nice and brown and swimming in gravy, it looked so much like a real turkey that it warmed up the men's hearts and made them think of the holidays they had spent at home. But when they tasted it the resemblance ceased. It was fishy and tough. The meat was

like knotted rope yarn and the gravy suggested tar. However, it was a New Year dinner all the same, and it was enjoyed as keenly as the finest feast ashore that day. An American traveler, who is well known commercially in the West Indies, was mixed up in one of the perennial revolutions of Hayti in his hot and foolish youth. Unhappily, he allied himself with the weaker side, and

one New Year's eve found himself one of a small band of desperadoes defending the stockaded town of Miragoane against a government army, which outnumbered them by more than 100 to 1. During the night the government

soldiers forced their way into the town. Only about thirty of the defenders were left alive.

"Stand them up in a line and shoot

But they were too weak to stand. All of them were wounded, half-starved All of them were wounded, half-starved and fever-stricken. So the government troops propped them up in chairs and shot them as they lolled there. Only the white man was spared, in Only the white man was spared, in order that his case might be inquired

into. When he protested to Gen. Manigat against the cruelty of shooting help-Christmas there for many years. But merely blew a cloud of cigarette smoke

martial. When I woke up on New

might bombard their ports. Anyhow, I got out of jail in time to eat my dinner with some American and English friends on a coffee plantation near Miragoane."

An American globe trotter tells how he once spent a New Year's day hunting a crocodile in Jamaica, West In-

After a long hunt the crocodile was found buried beneath the mud in a shallow bend of a river on the plantation. The hunters only carried small shotguns, which were useless against the beast's tough hide, covered as it was several inches deep in mud.

But the planter was a man of resource. He sent hurriedly for negroes and set them to work to construct two strong walls of bamboo poles across the bed of the stream, thus inclosing the crocodile in a prison from which he could find no escape.

After the walls were built everybody hid quietly in the tal grass on the banks and waited. Hour after hour they laid there. Their luncheon consisted of sandwiches and a flask of rum punch.

It was not until the end of the aft-

Too surprised to offer resistance, the beast at first suffered itself to be almost dragged on the bank; but it caught on the edge with its forepaws and made a desperate struggle. Twen- \$414,497. ty yelling negroes hung on to the oththat terrific tug-of-war.

At last a yoke of eight oxen had to be brought. They soon dragged the away with Dalzell's livery team three beast to the bank, where it was tied

CONGRESS.

An objection by Mr. Mann, of Illinois, to unanimous consent to take up the inaugural resolution in the house of representatives, sent the whole matter over until after the holidays

Mr. Morrill, of Pennsylvania, on beof Columbia, was directed to move the passage of the senate resolution, which among other things provided for holding the inaugural ball in the pension building, as heretofore, but Messrs. Underwood, of Alabama, and Mann, insisted that a quorum of the house should be present to consider

uary 4, 1905.

12:04 p. m. today until January 4 next. The proceedings consisted of a prayer by Chaplain Hale, the reading of the journal of Monday's brief session and the receipt of a number of nominations from the president. The attendance was small and no other

business was attempted. Almost unquestionably a bill will be introduced in the house to change the Paris. whole present system of managing the Panama canal construction. Rep. Hep-burn plans to introduce a measure after the Christmas holidays to knock out the present commission and to give Engineer Wallace the whole charge. This bill will go to the committee on interstate and foreign commerce, and it is said to be evenly divided for and against the measure, with the vote of Charles E. Townsend, of Michigan, not taken into consideration.

It is not known definitely in Washngton how Mr. Townsend stands on the question. It may rest in the Michigan man's power to change the whole status of things in Panama, or to force matters to be left as they are.

#### THE MARKETS.

Detroit—Extra dry fed steers and heifers, \$5: steers and heifers, 1,000 to 1,200 lbs, \$3.75.04 25; steers and heifers, 1,000 to 1,200 lbs, \$3.75.04 25; steers and heifers, \$00 to 1,000 lbs, \$3.03 65; choice fat cows, \$3.03 25; good fat cows, \$2.50.03; common cows, \$1.50.02; canners, \$1.25.01 50; choice heavy bulls, \$3.03 50; fair to good bologna bulls, \$2.50.03; stock bulls, \$2.02 25; choice feeding steers, \$00 to 1,000 lbs, \$3.03 50; fair feeding steers, \$00 to 1,000 lbs, \$3.03 25; choice stockers, 500 to 7,000 lbs, \$3.03 25; choice stockers, 500 to 7,000 lbs, \$1.75.02 10; stock heifers, \$2.02 2 15; milkers, large, young, medium age, \$30.047; common milkers, \$20.025; Vcal calves—Market strong at last week's prices. Best, \$6.07 25; others, \$4.05.50. Milch cows and springers—Market

\$4.05 50.

Milch cows and springers—Market about steady with last week; quality not very good; range, \$25.0647.

Hogs—Market dull and 5.010c lower than last Thursday. Range of prices: Light to good butchers, \$4.30.044 dt; pigs, \$4.04 10; light yorkers, \$4.25.04 30; roughs, \$3.75.04; stags one-third off.

off.
Sheep and lambs—Market 35c lower

Chicago—Good to prime steers, \$6 20 @6 75; poor to medium, \$3 85@5 80; stockers and feeders, \$2 15@4 15; cows, \$1 35@4 40; heifers, \$2@5; canners, \$1 35@2 40; bulls, \$2@4; caives, \$3 50

less captives that triumphant warrior morely blew a cloud of cigarette smoke and remarked calmly: "C'est la guerre."

"Late on New Year's eve," said the American, "they tried me by courtmartial. When I woke up or New Year's warrior martial. When I woke up or New Year's warrior more specified warrior warrior more specified warrior warrior warrior warrior described warrior warrior warrior warrior described warrior warrio

American, "they tried me by courtmartial. When I woke up on New Year's morning I was in the calaboose, sentenced to be shot at sundown. It wasn't very pleasant waiting. I was quite glad when a gold-laced officer entered the cell toward evening, with a paper informing me that 'his excellency, the citizen president,' had been pleased to pardon me, in consideration of the request of the American minister and of the fact that It was New Year's day.

"I believe they had never intended to shoot me, but only to frighten me, for they hardly dared to touch a white man whose country owned a navy that might bombard their ports. Anyhow, I got out of jail in time to eat my.

Seat Bustalo.—Best export steers. \$5 @5.25; few, \$5.50; to the place of \$5.25 good, 1.050 to 1.100 lb butcher steers, \$4.65@4.75; 900 to 1.000 do. \$3.15 @3.65; best fat cows, \$3.25@3.60; fair to good, \$2.25@2.50; trimmers, \$1.40@16.65; best fat heifers, \$2.25@3.com non stockers, \$2.25@2.50; export bulls, \$2.25@2.50; best yearling steers, \$000 to 1.000 lbs, dehorned, \$3.00@3.80; best yearling steers, \$2.25@2.50; export bulls, \$3.50 @4.50 best fat heifers, \$2.75@3; common stockers, \$2.25@2.50; export bulls, \$2.25@2.50; best yearling steers, \$1.40@15.00 lbs, dehorned, \$3.00@3.80; best yearling steers, \$2.25@2.50; export bulls, \$3.50 @4.50 bost feeding steers, 900 to 1.000 lbs, dehorned, \$3.00@3.80; best yearling steers, \$2.25@2.50; export bulls, \$3.50 @4.50 bost feeding steers, \$000 to 1.000 lbs, dehorned, \$3.00@3.80; best yearling steers, \$2.25@2.50; export bulls, \$3.50 @4.50 bost feeding steers, \$000 to 1.000 lbs, dehorned, \$3.00@3.80; best yearling steers, \$2.25@2.50; export bulls, \$3.50 @4.50 bost feeding steers, \$000 to 1.000 lbs, dehorned, \$3.00@3.80; best yearling steers, \$2.25@2.50; export bulls, \$3.50 @4.50 bost feeding steers, \$000 to 1.000 lbs, dehorned, \$3.00@3.80; best yearling steers, \$2.25@2.50; export bulls, \$3.50 @4.50 bost yearling steers, \$2.25@2.50; export bulls, \$2.25@2.50; export bulls, \$2.25@2.50; export bulls, \$2.25@2.50; export bul

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Chicago—Cash quotations: Plour steady; No. 2 spring wheat, \$1 08@ 1 15; No. 3, 98c@1 12; No. 2 red, \$1 12½@11 17; No. 2 corn, 46@46½c; No. 2 yellow, 46@46½c; No. 2 oats, 29%c; No. 2 white, 31½c; No. 2 oats, 29%c; No. 2 white, 31½c; No. 2 oats, 20%c; No. 31½c; No. 2 rye, 73c; good feeding barley, 37@38c; fair to choice matting, 41@48c; No. 1 flaxseed, \$1 16; No. 1 northwestern, \$1 23½; prime timothy seed, \$2 72½; clover, contract grade, \$12 75.

Detroit—Wheat—No. 1 white, \$1 17½; No. 2 red spot, \$1 17½ asked; December, 5,000 bu at \$1 18½, 8,000 bu at \$1 18½, 5,000 bu at \$1 18½, 15,000 bu at \$1 18½, 10,000 bu at \$1 17½, elosing \$1 17½ asked; May, 5,000 bu at \$1 20½, 5,000 bu at \$1 20½, 10,000 bu at \$1 20½, 5,000 bu at \$1 20½, 10,000 bu at \$1 20½, 5,000 bu at \$1 20½, closing nominal at \$1 19½; July, 2,000 bu at \$1 02½, 3,000 bu at \$1 02½, 5,000 bu at \$1 02½, 5,000 bu at \$1 02½, 5,000 bu at \$1 02½, 2,000 bu at \$1 02½, 5,000 bu at \$1 09½; by sample, 3 cars at 95c per bu.

Corn—No. 3 mixed, 45c bid; No. 3 yellow, 3 cars at 46½ track; by sample, 1 car at 44½c per bu.

Oats—No. 3 white spot were quotable at 33½, c, 1 car selling at ½c premium for special location.

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Ryc—No. 2 spot, nominal at \$3c bu.

Beans—December, \$1 59; January, 1 61; February, \$1 62 per bu, all nom-

#### AMUSEMENTS IN DETROIT. Week Ending Dec. 31

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LYCEUM THEATER—"Under Southern Skies."

Mat Wed. and Sat. Eve. 15c, 25c, 50c, 75c.

LAFAYETTE THEATER—"The Byron Douglas Company, 15c, 25c and 50c. Mat. Monday.

Wednesday and Saturday. Best seats 25c.

WHITNEY THEATER—"Alone in the World."

Mat. 10c, 15c, 25c. Eve. 10c, 20c, 30c.

TEMPLE THEATER AND WONDERLAND—Afternoons 2:15, 10c to 25c; Evenings 8:15, 10c to 50.

AVENUE THEATER—Vaudeville—Afternoons 15 25, and 50c. Evenings. 25, 35, 50 and 75.

Internal revenue collections for November were \$21,262,332, an increase as compared with November, 1903, of The body of a girl tourist, who was

er end of the rope, but could not drag about 18 years of age, has been found that crocodile up; they could only on Mt. Cutler, near Colorado Springs, prevent it from flopping back into the Col. An attempt had been made to dewater again. Honors were even in stroy the features. No clue to her brought to America is not known. that terrific tug-of-war. found.

Thomas Costello, of Manton, who ran Itrial at the circuit court.

FASHION ALWAYS THE SAME.

Changing Styles.

Women of Venice Untroubled by

The women of Venice are absolutely free from the rule which Dame Fashion exercises over their sisters else where. They care nothing for modes. With them the length of the skirt rehalf of the committee on the District mains always the same, neither short nor long, and they always wear plainly made dark dresses, black stockings and the heelless slippers of the East. Hats are unknown. The universal outdoor wrap for all ages and all sizes is the black shawl, with a deep silken fringe. It is folded with a short point above and a long one below, and sometimes it envelops the figure Immediately after Mr. Mann's objectifrom head to foot. It is never fastention, the house adjourned until Jan- ed at the throat, and when it slips off it is gathered up with one out-After a session of four minutes stretched arm, which makes the specduration the senate adjourned at tator think of a bird stretching its wing. In their attire the women of Venice are independent, only wearing local clothing, but, with feminine in consistency, they are thoroughly up to date in the manner of hairdressing the style of their coiffures changing from time to time, according to the vogue of the moment in London and

## THE USES OF RESPONSIBILITY

Mere Work Not the Chief Thing in Children's Training.

Every mother should remember that Every mother should remember that the making of her daughter is of far greater importance than the administration of things in her home, and every daughter should realize that she can learn to avoid mistakes only when she sees them. She enjoys most see ing her mother's mistakes and resolv ing that when she has a house she wil "never do so." A beginning may be made with a small and comparatively unimportant responsibility, suggests Woman's Life, and it is to be remembered that responsibility, and not mere work, is the great thing. The very little girl may have the care of one plant, a hardy one to begin with but system and neatness may be practiced in its care to great advantage. If the plant should be a blooming one, a small vase for the breakfast table would give an additional bit of care and pleasure to both child and parents.

Family Troubles. When Bobby kicks the furniture I know there's somethin' doin'. He's either played the nags an' lost An' doesn't want to pay the cost, Or somethin'.

When Mabel's eyes an' nose are red An' troubles great seem brewin', She's either had a fight with Ned (Her beau) or got a cold in her head, Or somethin'.

When ma eats breakfast with a frown And pa to work goes stewin',
It's either parlor curtains or
A Persian rug for her "boodwore,"
Or somethin'.

An' pa? He's always bright as steel, For when they're all a-chewin' He grabs his hat and leaves the house, Or goes upstairs still as a mouse, Or somethin'.

Bout me? I've troubles of my own,

An' others yet accruin', But I can always grin an' bear, Or tear the other feller's hair, Or somethin'. -Lippincott's.

In an English Garden. A curiously whimsical idea has been carried out at the suggestion of Mrs. Rothschild. Yews, clipped in the oldworld formal fashion of two centuries ago, stand by the pleasant walks and fountains, two cut in the form of a table and armchair, and two in the familiar peacock fashion. Hard by one of the fountains stands the quaint sundial. The shadow of a tall tree falls upon a huge clock face, indicated on the green sward by figures grown in golden yew. A heart-shaped bed marks each corner, and, beyond the figures, there is a motto in golden yew, a dainty fancy worthy of Herrick, but really due to Mrs. Rothschild's "Light and shade by turns, but Love always." -English Exchange.

Connemara Cabin.

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First Ocean Cable's Cost. The original 1858 cable weighed

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Pumpkin Came From Asia. The pumpkin is a native of Asia

and was introduced into Europe about 1570, being first raised merely as a curiosity and later as a food for both man and beast. Just when it was Some claim that a variety of the pumpkin was cultivated by the American aborigines, being grown in their maize fields, but this is probably a weeks ago and was captured at Elk misapprehension. But if the pumparound a tree and dispatched with Rapids last week, was bound over for kin is not native to American soil, the pumpkin pie certainly is.

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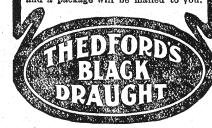


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# New Year Proposal



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"Thanks fo' yo' kind wishes, suh, but hit looks almighty bad fo' me this

comin' yeah." "Now, I'm sorry to hear that. What seems to be the trouble?"

"Well, suh, 'long last spring me an' Lije Bingo happened to have a fallin' out ovah a couple o' hawgs, so we done had a time all sence then, shootin' at each otheh f'um time to time."

"Oh, I shouldn't be cast down over that. Even if you have a feud it can be ended. There's no reason why"-"That's jest it, podneh; that's jest it. Lije fell offen the side o' the mountain yestiddy, an' now I've got no feud at all."—Judge.

#### New Year's Calls.

The custom of visiting and sending presents and cards on New Year's day is recorded almost as far back as history goes. The practice of using visiting cards can be traced back for thousands of years by the Chinese. Their New Year's visiting cards are curiosities. Each one sets forth not only the name, but all the titles, of its owner, and, as all Chinamen who have any social position at all have about a dozen, it makes the list quite appalling. These cards are made of silk or else of fine paper backed with silk and are so large that they have to be rolled up to be carried conveniently. They are, indeed, so valuable that they are returned to their owners.

#### A Polish Klssing Bee.

In Poland New Year's eve is observed in a dance called St. Sylvester's ball. The dancing proceeds decorously until the clock strikes 12. Exactly at that moment the men fall to kissing their own and their neighbor's partners, each taking particular pains to thus salute the one he loves best before the one with whom she chances to be dancing can perform that duty. Those not in the mood for dancing gather in another room or remain at home to entertain one another with stories about the departing year.

#### New Year's Day In Russia.

At every country house in Russia there are a feast and a procession in honor of New Year's day. Horses, sheep, cows and hogs are dressed with garlands and led to the landlord's house. The idea is that the animals shall be taken into the dining room, but when the landlord has a handsomely furnished apartment and does not care to have it ruined he sets aside some other room and allows the mob to take possession of it.

#### An Old English Custom.

The old country Englishman never fails to unbar his door at 12 o'clock New Year's eve to let the old year out and the new year in.

New Year's Violets. sighed to give you flowers bright,

Though vanished sweet the summer's glow.
The violets heard my longings deep, Oh, way down 'neath the turf and snow hey were not due till April fair, Yet, in December's wilderness, They felt the warmth of friendship'

spring
And robed themselves in royal dress. -Donahoe's Magazine.

# Shooting In the New

the newer land one feels the richness of the past ever mellowing the crude- living in some other way. ness of the present.

One of the most lovable of these old customs, redolent with the air of feu-town? dalism, is that of shooting in the new year. We first hear of it among the where it has long since become obsolete, but about 1750 there was a general migration from Pennsylvania false plea. down to the hill country of the Carolinas. In rumbly old wagons these trees and sturdy babies.

heimweh. Getting themselves together, they celebrated as best they could

the neighborhood gather at some appointed place about 9 o'clock in the evening, and the march begins. From one "big house" to another they tramp, dolorously intoning their doggerel, firing fierce salutes and feasting at the add to the rich is not beneficial. The hands of the gentry.

the shooters return with it.

sit over the hickory fire, there comes a



THE NEW YEAR SHOOTERS.

Year's sermon with a forcing of the rhyme worthy of Walt Whitman. A loud report being the thing desired, heavy wads are put on the powder and ground. After the shooting comes the

If you are a man of grace, Come to the door and show your face.

The door is then thrown wide, and the company enter, awkward, grinning and shivering with cold. Some of erential to stand, or if one is finally persuaded to take a chair he sits on the edge uneasily.

The ruddy, Santa Claus-like old men exchange laconic remarks on the price away in a frantic attempt to furnish don us. We have no intention to amusement. They are stolid until she strikes up "Dixie." The effect is magical. The callers mark time with muddy boots and remark slyly:

"That's the stuff!" Apples and oranges, cakes and coffee, out of the door. The society manner is a fearful strain.-New York Post.

#### W. C. T. U. NOTES.

Contributed by the Local Union.

License brings the saloon, legalizes what would otherwise be unlawful and seeks to make it respectable. Does the saloon benefit the town? The burden of the proof is with the affirmative. The friends of the saloon ACING, whirling, nerve wreck- are the ones to bring proof of its ing as has become the recog-benefits. But no one comes forward nized spirit of our times, yet in to defend the saloon. Its evil effects the remote districts lingers a are so numerous and so conspicuous serenity so maskaken we can but mar- that no one has the hardihood to vel over the dual nature of this thing champion it. Even the liquor sellers we call American. Customs of the fa- themselves admit that the business is therland have become so grafted upon bad and we often hear them say they would go out of it if they could get a

Then the question is, does legalizing a business that is bad benefit the

The plea that is often put forth in the favor of license is that the license early German settlers of Pennsylvania, fees go to lessen the taxes. This has weight with some and I fear operates as a bribe to some taxpayers. It is a

It can be shown that the evil effects of the liquor business increase the ploneers journeyed, laden with feather town expenses far more than the beds and delftware, sprigs of fruit amount of the license. Let us look at it for a moment. The liquor dealer As the life history is but a repetition has to get the license money from of the race history, there came with some one. From whose pocket does their first strange new year a burst of the license money come? As a rule it comes from the wage worker and the in memory of older days, and not once poor man, for if a man is not poor through all the years that have fol- when he commences patronizing the lowed have these greetings been omit-saloon it will make him such in the end. Now is it right to take the Then tenantry and poorer people of earnings of the laboring man and the scant money from the pockets of the poor to lessen the taxes of the rich? Is it brotherly, fair or kind?

Any business that robs the poor to saloon is constantly doing this, there-Though North Carolina could never fore, the saloon is not a benefit to the

entertaining guests whom he particularly enjoyed he had the bridge, the only means of escape, taken up and decides for no license, business will decides for no license, business will decide the property of hidden in the swamps. Most of these stagnate and the grass will grow in jovial hosts are sleeping now, each in his narrow bed forever laid, but the even, then it would be better to grow new year has a way of returning, and grass than drunkards. The town might as well buy mowing machines On the last night of the year, as you as to build lockups and pay court and jail expenses. Better to have a good crop of hay than a bad crop of paupers

to support. But whose business is going to stagnate if we decide for no license? Not that of the merchants or the grocers and butchers? They all testify that their trade is better and they have less bad debts when we have no license. Only the liquor business will be harmed and the undertakers and possibly the doctors. Do you know that you and I have to pay more for our dry goods and groceries, our meat and flour because of the bad debts caused by the saloon? Those in trade have to add on to the price enough to offset their losses or go out of business. We cannot afford to license a traffic which is a constant drain on the town. Look at the thousands of dollars sent out of town for liquors by these saloon men. It never returns. If this money were kept in your town and circulated in legitimate trade, no decent business would stagnate. Let us try it.

#### Who Pays the Revenue?

The Chicago Tribune has a forcible lesson for drunkards in an article on the city revenue from liquor licenses. It says:

"This month the drinkers and drunkards of Chicago are contributing the tramping in the front yard, and a deep little sum of \$3,250,000 to the city voice outside begins the so called New hall. For what? Why, to give them the privilege of spending money for whiskey and beer during the coming year. All licenses are now on. The the gun muzzle held close to the drinkers and drunkards-they are certainly closely allied, for the former often develop into the latter-must pay a \$500 license for each saloon.

"True, the saloonkeepers are the ones who nominally pay the money to the city collector, but it is simply them have come from a distance of cash advanced. The drinkers and eight or ten miles, as the country is drunkards will pay them back. They sparsely settled, and must necessarily are good pay-with all save common be tired, but they consider it more def- trades people like grocers and butchers. The money handed across the saloon bars this month alone will more than equal the \$3,250,000 in licenses. Yes, the drinkers and drunkof cotton; the youngsters refer to the ards are sure pay. Some could not possum hunt of the previous night. stop if they would. These are the Some one goes to the piano and strums drunkards. Once they were-but par-

preach. We leave that for the crank up in South Dakota. "It has often been said: 'We couldn't run the city without whiskey and water' (the water department reare now brought out. At some places ceipts and the saloon license money). the black bottle is passed around. Then Under present conditions that is true, a 'D. T.' ward at the county hosthe shooters with a relieved sigh pile but if we had no saloons we might pital." not need to spend \$3,500,000 a year on

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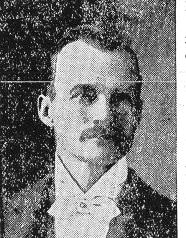
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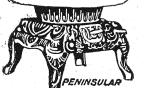
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Mrs. Yerkes is visiting friends in Mrs. W. B. Westerby is sick at this

writing.

Wm. Larkins of Detroit is visiting riends in this place. Mrs. Benjamin Bates is visiting

vith friends in Gagetown. Stephen Dodge of Novesta visited

iis brother, Judd, over Christmas. Eugene Hartt is home from Detroit where he has been attending college.

Mr. Taylor from Highland Station, s visiting friends northeast of town. Miss Vernie Halleck was married ast week to Mr. Randall southwest of

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Westerby spent Christmas with their son, Frank, at

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wood spent Christmas with the latter's sister,

Mrs. Chatfield. Dan Asher returned Monday from Highland Station, where he attended the funeral of his brother.

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#### ELMWOOD.

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L. Huffman and Chas. Hammond were in Cass City Thursday.

A. T. Hiser took a load of geese to Caro on Tuesday of last week.

D. Webster and wife visited at R. Webster's Thursday and Friday.

A. T. Hiser is spending the holidays

with his parents and friends in Ohio. W. A. Lockwood and son, Glen, left on Monday for a visit in Auburn and Bay City.

Jas. Walter started last Thursday for Bay City with a load of turkeys

Mr. and Mrs. John Emmons left on Thursday for a visit in Detroit and other places

P. W. Stone and W. A. Lockwood made a trip to Caro Wednesday to get a load of goods. H. Dodge has returned from the

Christmas trees. Geo. Land and wife left on Saturday for Kalamazoo to visit their

north where he has been cutting

daughter, who is employed in the The Christmas tree at the Cedar Run school house was a grand success.

The program was fine, the decorations were pretty and the tree was well loaded.

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#### ALMER.

S. McNeil is better at this writing. Alfred Hall visited his sister, Mrs. C. Gunther on Christmas day.

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Mr. and Mrs. Wesley McNeil are the happy parents of a little son who came to their home on Christmas

morning. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wesley and dale. family of Almer and Emory Jones of Caro spent Christmas at the home of Rev. J. W. Mulholland.

The Christmas tree at the Remington church Saturday evening was a

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very fine one with a nice program. The minister, Rev. Harris, received a purse with ten dollars in it on the

CUMBER.

Martin Miller owns a bran new cutter.

Leslie Brown is very sick at this

John Ervin of Wickware was the guest of friends here last week.

Will McCullough of Ubly was the guest of Albert Schiestel last week. Frank Mulloy and his sister, Maggie are visiting at their home north of

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Schiestel spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Michael Schiestel of Cumber.

Valre and Arthur Creguer of Freiburger attended the Christmas pro gram at Cumber last Friday.

The Christmas tree that was held here in the schoolhouse last Friday was well attended. Fine program was rendered and at the last Santa Claus distributed the many presents.

We wish to correct an error which occurred in last week's news about the R. F. D. route. It should have read started from Cumber in place of Freiburger, Jan. 16, 1905.

THAT THROBBING HEADACHE. Would quickly leave you if you used Dr. King's New Life Pills. Thousands of sufferers have proved their matchless merit for sick and nervous headaches. They make pure blood and build up your health. Only 25c, money back if not cured. Sold by L. I. Wood & Co., druggist.

#### SHABBONA.

School is closed for a week's vaca-

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Amos Guy on Dec. 20, a boy.

Wm. McLaren left Thursday last for the north woods.

Herb Ehlers is home from Ann Arbor for the holidays.

John McGrory is visiting friends and relatives in Canada.

Mrs. T. L. Somes left. Thursday to visit friends at Pt. Huron.

Christmas with his parents here. Wm. McDonald was in town one day st week renewing old acquaintances.

A family reunion was held at the home of Mrs. E. A. Phillips on Christ-

Edith Tewksbury of Pontiac is spending the holidays at her parental

Mrs. Geo. Wood returned last week rom a visit with friends in Grand

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Granger entertained friends from Sanilac Centre Uri Gooden, Lecturer, Mrs. J. Mc-Ohristmas day.

A New Year's dance and oyster sup-

per will be given in Ehlers' hall Monday evening, Jan. 2. Paul and Emma Auslander are spending the holidays with their

brother and sister in Detroit. Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Ferguson and Mrs. Omar Stephens spent Christmas with Geo. H. Jones and family.

#### KINGSTON.

Mrs. L. J. Miller is on the sick list. Jas. Veitch has gone to Detroit to

Miss Cora Weldon left last week for a visit in Canada.

Mr. and Mrs. Hanna are entertain-

ing friends from Canada. Wm. Allen and family are entertain-

ng a cousin from Canada.

Mrs. John Mills and infant daughter

of Caro are expected home this week. The Corliss reunion was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Scott. Mr. and Mrs. Nightingale left Monday morning to visit friends in Hills-

Mr. and M. C. Hunter left Monday for a visit with friends in Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Dusenbury are

A daughter arrived at the home of and \$1. Mr. and Mrs. David Convis on Wed-

nesday last. Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Smith are spending the holiday week with relatives

ing at the home of her daughter, Mrs. | ley and Mrs. E. J. Usher and daugh-M. L. Randall. Miss Ruby Randall, who has been

employed in Almont for some time, is home for a visit.

John G. Veit left last week for an extended visit with friends in Owosso and Mt. Pleasant. Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Patton spent

Christmasday with the latter's parents Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Allen. Mr. and Mrs. Swailes of North Branch were the guests of their son, Charles, Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Van Wagoner Fifth Pageare spending the week at Lansing with the former's brother.

M. L. Randall and family entertained E. A. Randall and family at Last Page-Christmas dinner on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. David Griffin left on Wednesday for California, where they expect to make their home with their son, Amos.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Moyer have New Whiteoats No. 3. moved their goods into the house occupied by the latter's parents and expect to live with them this winter.

EAST NOVESTA.

Claude Wheeler is spending the holidays visiting at Capac.

Miss Emma Brown was the guest of Mrs. H. A. Williams on Monday. Miss Lizzie Jones returned to her

home in Saginaw Monday evening. Morley Palmateer and Nelson Wicks left for the lumber woods Monday. Fred Palmateer of Cass City is

spending the holidays with his parents Mrs. Bertha Dewey and daughter,

Pearl, are visiting friends here during the holidays. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Brown enter tained a number of their relatives on

Christmas day. John and Sheriff Holcomb are spending the holidays with their grand-

parents at Yale. enjoyed a play party in honor of her eleventh birthday on Wednesday.

Mrs. Geo. Youngs on Christmas day. This can be reduced. Catalogue free. weeks' vacation. Miss Burg will spend | Monroe St., Valparaiso, Ind. 12-23-7 the holidays with relatives in Cass

Gekeler Bros. have completed a drive well for Robert Brown and found water at a depth of one hundred and

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Williams entertained Mr. and Mrs. Ed Phetteplace of Shabbona and Miss Lizzie Jones of Saginaw on Christmas day.

Word has been received here of the serious illness of Geo. S. Moshier, a former Novesta boy, at his home in Everett, Washington, with typhoid

Mr. and Mrs. John Coulter and children and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Allen and baby spent Christmas at Albert Meredith of Caro spent the home of Alex. Sangster in Evergreen township.

Word was received here last week of the death of Miss Myrtle Hall, which occurred at her home in Miller county, Missouri, on Dec. 6, of consumption. She was the oldest child give your children for CHRIST-

of Mr. and Mrs. Chet Hall, former residents of this place. Novesta Arbor A. O. O. G. elected the following officers for the ensuing year at their last meeting: C. G., Chaplain, Mrs. C. Gooden; Conductor,

Caughna; I. G., James Rule; O. G., A. Williams. Novesta Grange, No. 981, elected the following officers for 1905 at their last meeting, Friday, Dec. 23: Master, Geo. A. Martin; Overseer, James Rule; Secretary, Robert Brown; Treasurer, James McLeish; Chaplain, Henry A. Williams; Lecturer, D. L. Rule; Stewart, Wm. Sangster; Assistant Stewarts, W. B. Hicks and Mrs. W. Sangster; Gate keeper, Charles Gooden; Ceres, Mrs. Geo. Martin; Pomona, L. J. Miller is home from the north. Mrs. H. A. Williams; Flora, Mrs. J. Rule. The regular meeting will be held on the fourth Friday afternoon

#### of each month at two o'clock during the winter months.

Notice. I will be at Deford on Jan. 3, at Novesta on Jan. 5, and at the Exchange Bank at Cass City on Jan. 7 to collect the taxes for Novesta township. D. Livingston, Treas. 12-23-2

STARTLING EVIDENCE. Fresh testimony in great quantity is constantly coming in declaring Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, coughs and colds to be unequaled. A recent expression from T. J. Mc-Farland, Bentorville, Va., serves as example. He writes: "I had bronchitis for three years and doctored all the time without being benefited. Then I began taking Dr. King's New Discovery and a few bottles wholly cured me." Equally effective in curing all lung and throat troubles, conthe happy parents of a son born last sumption, pneumonia and grip. Guaranteed by L. I. Wood & Co. druggist. Trial bottles free, regular sizes 50c

#### HAY CREEK.

Mr. and Mrs. N. W. Bradley entertained Mr. and Mrs. S. Ostrander, Mrs. Mary Fishell, Mr. and Mrs. John Mrs. Webster of Rochester is visit- Hill, Misses Lottie and Florence Bradter, Lottie, at a Christmas party on Monday. A bountiful dinner was served and a Christmas tree heavily oaded with gifts furnished amusement for all. In the afternoon games were played and a merry time is reported.

#### NEW ADS.

First Page-

N. Bigelow & Sons. Cass City Lumber & Coal Co. Ltd Fourth Page-

A. A. Hitchcock. J. F. Hendrick.

The Model.

Young & Benkelman. T. L. Tibbals.

Cass City, Mich., Dec. 29, 1904 Wheat, No. 1 white ... Wheat, No. 2 red New Rye No.2... Cloverseed..... Eggs per doz..... Butter..... Live hogs, per cwt...... Beef, live weight..... Live Veal..... Chickens..... Hides, green.... White Lily, per cwt...... Economy per cwt.... Graham flour per cwt. Granulated meal, per cwt..... Feed per cwt .....

Young men and women wanted The little friends of Eva Churchill to learn telegraphy. Railroads need operators badly. Total cost six months' course at our school, includ-Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Palmateer and ing tuition (telegraphy and typewritchildren took dinner with Mr. and ing) board and furnished room, \$89. Dist. No. 6, Novesta, will have two Write to-day. Dodge's Institute,

Middlings per cwt.....

Buckwheat, per cwt.....

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**AUTEN & SEELEY** 

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"Oh. no! no!" Mary whispered.

"And you love me?" Harry asked

"You don't say so, but I

"Don't do it, Harry. He might kill you, and I—and a—" Her voice died

know it already. It is only your ex-

aggerated ideal of bravery that keeps you from confessing it. You think

that I am not worthy of you; but I

said Mary with sudden coldness. "I

don't think that I have given you any

reason to say that my interest is

hastily, but I meant that you could

"It isn't that," he replied. "I spoke

and Jos

Exchanging flying shots as they ran.

love me if you would. At least, I will

show you that you have a false opin-

ion of me. Hello there, Mr. Out-

"Well, whatcher want?" growled

the mask. "You sit still there,

Fletcher, an' don't come none of your

Arkansas tricks on me. Whatcher

"I want a match," Harry returned,

"Come along," said the man as he

"No! no!" Mary whispered, "I

"I must go, anyhow," he answered.

"The man will be suspicious else, and

perhaps start a row himself. You

must not worry, for I won't do any-

with a final "it will be all right," he

strolled over to where the outlaw

"Here," he said, offering a cigar,

"take that, old man-and that! and

that!" delivering two heavy blows

on the man's chest. He of the mask

staggered backward, and Harry

snatched the revolver that dangled

terms, and I'll teach you what it

The outlaw did not wait to be

taught, nor to regain his equilibrium.

The blows started, him down the canon, and, still at a half-falling

angle, he began to run. Harry bound-

ed after him, while Mary, with

clasped hands and sparkling eyes,

"Harry!" she cried, "come back-

come back to me!" But Harry did

not heed her, and she sank down on

Harry and the outlaw were ex-

changing flying shots as they ran, and

in a moment the fugitive bounded be-

hind a heavy dyke of granite. When Harry reached the rock, he found the

man sitting down, and blowing and

puffing from his exertions. The mask

had fallen off, and a round, red, laugh-

gasped. "I ain't no good at a run no

more. It kind of-ah-cleans me out.

Ain't got no wind at all. How'd I do

it, partner? Say, that was rich. Ha!

"Ssh! ssh!" Harry hissed. "You'll

"Is it goin' to work?" Evans asked.

give the whole thing away, Evans,

"Gee-whil-whilikens!" the outlaw

ing face was disclosed.

means to bother Miss Lindsey."

"Now," he cried, "we're on even

"I don't care if I do smoke,

threw the rifle in the hollow of his

"and I'll trade you a cigar for it.

Will you come here, or may I walk

law!"

want, hey?"

over there?"

stood.

do anything so foolish."

by the outlaw's hip.

sprang to her feet.

the boulder.

"You take a good deal for granted,"

am, and I will prove it.'

more than friendly."

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away.

eagerly.

They sat on a flat boulder in Pine | greater danger than this for your Canon, while a heavy-set, bull-necked | sake." man in a black mask leaned on a rifle and looked at them. The girl was white and silent, and her escort held her hand. He was a young man, dark and imperious, but his eyes had a soft glow in them, and he looked at her with that ecstatic expression which but one woman can bring to a man's face.

"Don't worry," he whispered, as he fondled the little hand, "it isn't anything serious. The men have my checks to pay for our ransom, and when they return with the money we will be released. It is only the matter of an hour or so. Turn your head, Mary-I do believe you are crying. And I thought you such a brave girl," he continued in a tone of forced raillery. "You are always laughing at me because I am timid with dogs, and last week you refused me again, for no other reason than because I ran away from a gang of drunken rowdies. I never thought to see you crying over such a harmless adven-

make fun of me. Harry.' she pleaded, as she struggled with her tears. "I never said that I was brave-I know that I'm a c-coward, but I want my h-h-husband to be brave for both. And you're not," she continued, indignation getting the better of her "When these men came, you just held out your hands; and you've been like a 1-1-lamb."

Harry turned his head aside to conceal the broad grin that flashed across his face. Then he moved near-

er and caught her other hand.
"Listen, Mary," he said. "I know that you think me a coward, though I am but cautious. I can risk myself when there is any reason for doing so, but a reason with me must be something more than mere braggadocio. You have lived in the West so long that you can appreciate nothing but spectacular bravery. In my part of the country, that is not needed. am not what you think me; indeed I am not."

Mary disengaged her hands and hid her face in her handkerchief. think that I know you," she said in a smothered voice. "At least, there is nothing hypocritical nor false about you. You do not pretend to be what you are not."

Harry's face was convulsed in an extraordinary manner, and turned to arm. a sea-green hue. "No," he answered seein' it's you." faintly, "I have never pretended to be better than I am, even to you. But | didn't mean it, Harry. You must not if anything would make me false to myself, it would have been a desire for your approbation; a wish to be what you would have me be."

"I understand you," she said. even know what you are thinking of thing that seems dangerous." And now. You believe that I might-love you-if you could make me admire your bravery. Is it not so? And you are thinking of attacking that man



Don't worry," he whispered. there. It would be a brave deed, Harry. It would be too brave-too

"No." Harry answered, "not rash, and not as dangerous as you think. It would need but a little quickness, and I have that. I am going to do it, Mary. I am going to get you away from here before the men return. I will not ask you to marry me-I will and I can't stand another 'no.'" notedo this for reward. But you know that I love you, and I would risk a

can be proud of her anywheres. If it wasn't for us knowin' you to be a pretty good man-'

"For heaven's sake!" Harry cried in desperation; "get out! Man! man! will you sit here like a fool until she comes and catches you?"

"All right, Fletcher, all right. You needn't get warm about it. If it was me, though, I'd be makin' tracks up to where she's waitin'. As you're in no hurry-" But Harry had turned at this suggestion, and was stumbling and puffing over the boulders.

Mary saw him coming and ran for ward. "You are not hurt?" she asked. "Have you killed him?" Harry shook his head.

away," he gasped. "And we must get away, too," Mary said with exaggerated fear. "He'll meet the others, and all three will come. They will kill you, Harry!" "I think that those men are done for," Harry returned. "We needn't hurry on their account. But, Mary,

you don't say what I want you to say. Have you no word for me, dear?" Mary smiled and blushed. "Hush," she whispered. "I didn't care about bravery, Harry. It was all make believe, and when I was ready, I would have said yes without the help of your men."

"What!" Harry exclaimed. Mary's smile broadened into a delicious grin, and she made the canon echo to her rippling laughter. "You are not the only actor," she gasped. "I recognized their voices-every one of them-and I knew that you had hired them. But don't you care. dear," she continued soothingly, as she saw his miserable despondence. "I won't tell about it. We will keep it just between ourselves, won't we?" And they did.

Weak in Orthography.

Col. Phil Thompson tells of the trials experienced by a friend of his who recently acquired a new stenographer. The dear little thing is a trifle weak in orthography, but Thompson's friend has been loath to call her down, in view of the fact that she tries so hard to please. He is too big hearted to discharge the girl, for she needs the money; so he corrects the spelling

Recently, however, he was forced to call her attention to the fact that in a letter of some seventy-five words, she had committed eight errors, among

which was "fourty."
"My, my!" exclaimed the friend This won't do, you know; I can't stand for forty spelled this way!" The willing worker looked over his oulder at the offending word. "Gra cious!" she exclaimed, "how careless of me! I left out the 'gh,' didn't I?"-Collier's.

Central African Lakes Drying Up. In 1859, some distance southeast of Lake Nyassa, in central Africa, Livingstone discovered Lake Shirwa, a body of water about thirty miles long and fifteen miles wide, which has now entirely disappeared with the exception of a few ponds. Lake Nyami, discovered by Livingstone at the same time, has also disappeared. The cause of the change appears to be a gradual drying up of bodies of water in Central Africa. As marking the results of a single half-century the changes named show a rapidity of mutation in those inland waters not equaled elsewhere in the contemporary geographer's survey, though the shrinking of Salt lake in Utah is also very remarkable.

Open the Door of Your Heart. Open the door of your heart, my lad To the angels of love and truth; When the world is full of unnumbered

joys,
In the beautiful dawn of youth.
Casting aside all things that mar,
Saving to wrong, "Depart!"
To the voices of hope that are calling

Open the doors of your heart. Open the door of your heart, my lass,
To the things that shall abide;
To the holy thoughts that lift your soul
Like the stars at eventide.
All of the fadeless flowers that bloom
In the realms of song and art
Are yours, if you'll only give them room.
Open the door of your heart.

Open the door of your heart, my friend, Heedless of class or creed, When you hear the cry of brother's voice, The sob of a child in need. To the shining heaven that o'er you

To the small bends

You need no map or chart,
But only the love the Master gave.

Cpen the door of your heart.

—Edward Everett Hale.

Considerate Irishman.

A French chauffeur was driving in Ireland when he rode over a cyclist. The injured man apologized, "Pray continue your journey," said he. "I am really ashamed to have incommoded such a sportsman." Next day the chauffeur received a letter from this sympathetic stranger full of regrets and making tender inquiries about the state of the automobile. "I must tell you," it proceeded, "that as a result of yesterday's accident, for which I alone am responsible, I expect to die soon. But I am arranging to leave you a third of my property so that you can embellish your automobile with all the latest improvements."

Will Breed Zebras in Africa. the richest young man in England. Victoria Nyanza, where he intends to troot?" establish a farm for breeding zebras. His estate, which consists entirely of property in London, is worth over \$1,000,000 a year.

No man's spirits were ever hurt by doing his duty; on the contrary, one good action, one temptation, resisted and overcome, one sacrifice of desire or interest, purely for conscience sake will prove a cordial for weak and low spirits, far beyond what either indulgence or diversion, or company, can "She's a fine gal, Fletcher, an' you do for them.-Paley.

LEE A DEVOUT CHRISTIAN.

His Religion a Strang Traft of Great Southern Leader.

Capt. Robert E. Lee says that one of the strongest traits of his father's character was his reliance on God as the supreme arbiter in all the affairs of men. In this Lee was not different from other great leaders of the confed-Jefferson Davis constantly eracy. called on his people to repair to their churches and thank God for victory or implore his favor in their sacred cause. Often all the churches of the larger southern cities were crowded to their utmost capacity at week-day prayer services. After the first battle of Manassas Gen. Lee said: "The battle will be repeated there in greater force. I hope God will again smile on us and strengthen our hearts and arms." When he was in the midst of the struggle for West Virginia, he wrote out of the fullness of his heart: "I enjoyed the mountains as I rode along. The views are magnificer.tthe valleys so beautiful, the scenery so peaceful. What a glorious world ployes has helped you in any way or Almighty God has given us! How thankless and ungrateful we are and lost your energy and self-control, your how we labor to mar his gifts!"-Chicago News.

YOUTHFULNESS OF THE MIND. Enjoyment and Zest for Life Not Con-

fined to the Young. Youthfulness is a quality very difficult to describe. As often as not it proceeds from the mind rather than with middle-aged and elderly people numbers. that they are in reality far more youthful in ideas, in the keenness of their enjoyment and in their fresh outlook than many of one's acquaintances who in point of years are mere girls. It is said that every age has its especially the women of America, is are many mothers of families and matters, and Mrs. Sue Williams of experienced in early years. Youthful- for cure. ness is temperament and the capacity well-being of others a thousand fold .-Exchange.

The Rescue. Adown the lane on frenzied feet Fled like a wind the maiden sweet. A large dog followed on her trail With open mouth and truncate tail. Shriek after shriek the maiden gave;

Well, we should smile? For at her cry The hero came in quick reply. With resolution naught could clog He fiercely whistled to the dog! And at his master's note the chase The dog forsook with perfect grace!

They married? Ah, ca va sans dire! Elsewise 'twould be a case most queer.

But oftimes, when the lady sleeps,. The husband wakes and weeps and weeps And drones, as if he'd slipped a cog,
"Why did I interrupt the dog?"
—New Orleans Times-Democrat

Highwayman Was Popular. Jack Sheppard had a great hold upon the imagination of the people of his time. The fact that 200,000 people witnessed his execution at Tyburn on Nov. 16, 1724, "upon the tree that bears twelve times a yeare," is some witness to his grim popularity. But one of the strangest tributes ever paid him was the sermon preached upon him in a London church. "Oh, that ye were all like Jack Sheppard!" began the preacher, to the stupefaction of his congregation. He went on to draw a parallel between things of the flesh and those of the soul, and to point out that the genius shown in housebreaking might have been bestowed upon "picking the locks of the heart with the nail of repentance."

Many have looked with awe upon Euit cases and steamer trunks covered with labels of every size and color, and thought enviously of the advantages the traveled owners of such baggage had over the poor stay-at-homes. The baggage proclaimed that owners had been from its Sydney to San Francisco, from Copenhagen to Colombo, to say nothing of visiting half the capitals and health resorts of the continent. But the iconoclast has found shops where such baggage is sold, all shattered and battered and labeled with a score of foreign towns, although it may never have traveled two miles from New York.

Travelers' Tricks Shown Up.

Not Partial to Water. An old farmer arrived in Glasgow with a drove of cattle. The beasts had become leg-wearied, so that he arrived late and was reluctanty compelled to stay for the night at a hotel. The maid, on showing him to his bed-Lord Howard De Walden, probably room, said: "Good night, sir; would you prefer a hot bath or a cold bath has gone to east Africa on a hunting to-morrow morning?" "Hoots, lassie," expedition after big game. He has replied the farmer; "gang awa' wi purchased a large territory near Lake yer nonsense; doe ye tak' me for a

> Value of Character. Character is one of the best things a man or woman can be born with or acquire. That is to say, good character. There has never been a time and there will rever be a time when character will count for nothing in the building of success. It is one thing that no misfortune, no calamity, no continued run of ill luck can take away from a man if he wants to hold to it. It is exempt from forced sale and no man is a bankrupt as long as he holds it

LOOK BACK, COUNT THE LOSS

When Energy Has Been Spent, Nerve and Brain Force Gone:

Just look back over the day and see where your energy has gone. See how much of it has leaked away from you in trifles. Perhaps you have wasted it in fits of fretting, fuming, grumbling, fault-finding or in the little frictions that have accomplished nothing, but merely rasped your nerves, made you irritable, crippled you and left you exhausted. You may have drained off more nerve and brain force in a burst of passion than you have expended in doing your real work. Perhaps you did not realize that, in going through your place of business like a mad bull through a china-shop, you pulled out every spigot and turned on every faucet of your mental, and physical reservoir and left them open until all the energy you had stored up during the night had run off. Look back and see whether your scolding, fault-finding, criticising, nagging and what you call "reading the riot act" to your emaccomplished anything. No: you only self-respect and the respect and admiration of your employes.-Success.

Beet Culture Attracts Mosquitoes. The beet culture aids the multiplication of the anopheles mosquitoes, which are responsible for malaria, is the opinion held by several Italian experts, who found that in places where the anopheles had never before appeared the cultivation of from appearance, and one often feels beet sugar attracted them in great

Found at Last.

Hensley, Ark., Dec. 26th.—(Special) -That a sure cure for Backache would be a priceless boon to the people, and compensations and undoubtedly there admitted by all interested in medical grandmothers, too, who own to an en-this place is certain she has cound in joyment and zest for life equal to that Dodd's Kidney Pills the long-looked

"I am 38 years old," Mrs. Williams for taking the simple goods that are says, "and I have suffered with the to be found in existence rather than in Backache very much for three waiting for superlative joys which or four years. I have been treated may never arrive. The bored person by good physicians and got no relief. or either sex is invariably a weari- but thanks to God, I have found a cure some companion, while one with a at last and it is Dodd's Kidney Pills. keen sense of enjoyment adds to the I have taken only one box and it has done me more good than all the doctors in three or four years. I want all sufferers from Backache to know that they can get Dodd's Kidney Pills and get well.'

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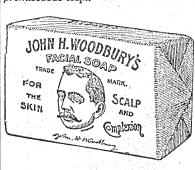
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The Daily Question

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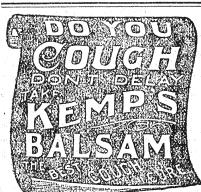
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CHAPTER V-Continued.

It was no unusual thing for a huge fellow to be tumbled under the table before his inner man was satisfied; there he at least was out of mischief. for the license was of the free and easy kind that recks not of the mor-

Indeed they were a rude people, and among them I grew up perhaps as rude in some things. I had been taught to know my rights and to hold them against all odds.

One of my earliest recollections was these annual feasts and sat at the toasts to say: "God and the right," many. Gil, the heaviest drinker in drank the whiter and warier he became, would cry, "The old lord." Noel not to be outdone e'en before the ale had ceased bubbling down their lank throats, or the dripping froth wiped off their beards, would shout, "The young lord." His voice was loud enough to bring the blue vault of heaven down about our ears. Then one and all ringing down the board. Some were not so clean as they might be. for, as I have said, they were a rude people, and those were rude days.

But for all that, we at the Manor house were not common boors, entirely cut away from the amenities of courteousness, or the niceties of court life. I spoke French, Spanish and Dutch as my own tongue. I had of your father—a dying man, for I also a smattering of Latin. From my father who had in his youth served both at Whitehall, and in the palaces of the Castilian Kings, I had caught a few accomplishments. I could fence with both the broad sword and

the rapier. Our wants were few, our family small; a simple household truly. Gil and Noel were factorums of the Manor. Master Basil, the chaplain, kept us in order. Nance with a maid or at once-tomorrow."

wich, who is near to him, you will, I think, be able to obtain it. You will show the paper to him. It has the royal signet attached to it. Then will he know why I left King Charles' side when he most needed all his friends-why I served a man who had no more right to the throne of England than I myself-why I left the woman I loved." He dropped his voice

to a whisper. "She haunts me day and night, waking or sleeping. Why, God knows, unless it be that I wronged her—I that I had even as a child presided at feel I wronged her, the greatest wrong a man can do a woman-I behead of the table. I had my two lieved in her infidelity! After the battle of Marsden, where I connived, and "A fair harvest." The men had nay, more than connived, helped the King to make his escape feeling that all Christendom, for the more he I was not true to either cause, neither a Roundhead nor yet a Royalist, I resigned and came here to stay. For the sake of that little incident-here is the proof of it—Charles II. I think will let old scores be.

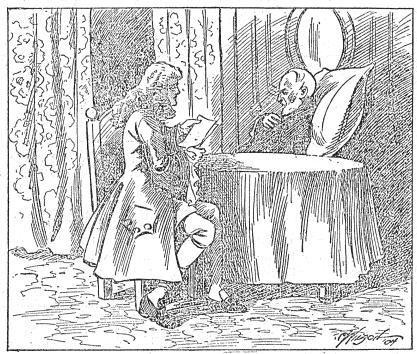
He handed me a small jeweled pin. "Charles I. gave it to me with his own hands, and said when I wished I had only to present it to claim what would. What I choose is our rehabilitation at Whitehall. It will not affect me-I am beyond that-but my obliquity will in time be forgotten."

He stopped for a few moments. His face was drawn and grey as a dead man's.

"From the lady who was my wife," he continued, "if she is alive, you will plead for forgiveness in behalf now believe her innocent. She will not deny it to me-she had a tender heart. So shall the earth rest more lightly on my coffin.'

I begged to be allowed to stay with him for a time at least; later I could go to London and attend to his commands. But he would not listen to me-even became impatient at my persistency.

"No, no," he said. "You must go



"Now it is out of my hands," he muttered.

two tended to the domestic part. I entered the library—it smote me like a sword thrust that in my desire for enjoyment and London, I had left my father out of my calculations. I never saw him look so ghastly-he seemed stricken with death.

"You sent for me, sir?" I softly asked.

"Yes," he answered. "At last I have come to a determination-I wish you to go to London."

"I shall indeed be glad for many reasons," I said, "but I do not think I ought to leave you. Are you as well to-day?"

"I am as well as I shall ever be," he replied. "I have something to tell you-it is time you should know it. It is not pleasant telling, so I shall be as brief as I can, and I beg of you no matter what curiosity you may feel to hold it in check. You see this old bit of paper?"

He picked up from the table at his side a half sheet of paper, yellow with age and held it out to me. He waited with impatience until I had answered is left in custody of the house. There "Yes."

"Take it," he commanded.

I did so. "Now it is out of my hands," he muttered, "I may find peace, a little

peace, my God, before I die." I felt an overwhelming pity for him rise in my heart. This was my first glimpse of that hideous sore which had festered in my father's brain, and made him what he was-an old man. He had been tall and strong even as I, but now his bones seemed but a rack to hang his skin upon, his eyes deep burning wells of thought-bitter

"You may read it but not now," he said. "Hide it away, out of my sight; but as you value my future peace lose it not.

I put it away into an inner pocket. "I have brooded over that paper, God knows, until it has well-nigh driven me crazy," he began in a juieter voice. "That piece of paper wrecked my life. I wish you to obtain an audience with the King-it may be difficult—the name of Waters has an ill favor in London-but through the influence of Lord Sand- and Noel were forgotten, and they played by a marsolin or banjo club."

He was like a person who, having made up his mind about an affair, the doing of which he has procrastinated from time to time, will have it done at once lest he repent.

He then talked long and earnestly, as one who gives his last earthly instructions to his heir. When he dismissed me, after saying that Master Basil was making all the arrangements, so that nothing reed interfere with our speedy departure, he was worn and spent with the excitement of the interview.

Two hours had not passed-I was still talking London, money and horses with Master Basil when Gil's heavy footsteps were heard coming down the corridor. He thundered into

"Too late, my lord, too late," he

"Ah! she has gone?" I asked. "Two hours before I reached the castle," he answered. "She is now on the way to London. Only an old hag was no paper to be found. We searched every room. The old dame yielded me up all the information I wanted, readily enough. She was like a wheel which, started down a steep hill, gains impetus with every turn. They stop tonight at the Royal Dog, from there on to London by the river road. Which means that they have gone by the main road, and we shall overtake them somewhere between Epsom and Kingston, probably at one

of the inns along there." "Are you sure the old dame was not trying to deceive you?" I asked. "She told her tale as she got it from

the jade by rote," he answered. "That being the case, the paper is again in my hands," said I.

CHAPTER VI.

A Man's Jealousy. The next morning our farewells were made. They were not lingered long o'er, for Lord Waters had after our talk taken to his bed. I felt

never to leave it alive. All petty jeniousies between Gil

were as demonstrative in their leave taking as two Frenchmen of near kin. Their bickerings were of little depth, both being too closely united in the giving of their best brawn and muscle toward the bettering of the house of Long Haut to be at outs long.

Nance-toughened pine of an upland growth-knotted her brow for a moment as she squeezed forth a tear. She thought it besitted her who had occupied the exalted position of nurse to the one setting forth upon a journev to show so much emotion.

Indeed, there was an inward rejoicing, in spite of the house being of so sad a color, that the young lord was at last to have his fling.

Our horses were Flemish mares, chosen for their greatest endurance. Soon we were astride them and galloping down the steep road. We passed the jutted rock, balanced in such away that it rocked when the lightest wind blew. It had been a feature of the road so long, that no man living could reckon back when it had not been the curiosity of the country side. We passed the gnarled birch tree whose few branches were wide extended, and in the moon light it, looked not unlike a monster sentinel. Once Noel's horse had shied there and he, taken unawares. had been thrown. He lay upon the ground with the breath about knocked out of him. He could never pass it afterwards without giving his horse a vicious kick in memory of his shame, for Gil kent alive his mortification by his trite remarks upon the accident.

We came to a narrow ledge of the hillside where single file was safest. The drooping stones kicked free by the horses' hoofs made a merry sound. We clattered over the little bridge beneath which the water fairly bubbled and sputtered in its fierce delight at being loosened from its winter fastness. Here the road became freer and mud now mingled with the bowlders. Farther on the horses were pushed together, and they gave a glad whinny.

We reached Torraine's hut at the foot of the hill. Here he lived with his buxom wife and nine children, as though he were the keeper of the lane which led to the Manor.

He stood out in the road, surroundby his brood. They stolidly ed watched us and begged with outstretched hands for a coin.

"Out of the way," yelled Gil, "out of the way. Do you want us to run over those cubs of yours?"

Torraine gave the children cuffs to right and to left. It served two purposes as well he knew it would—the my pocket.

Then he held up his scrawny hand demanding attention. We reined up. "If ye need me in that hot bed of hell where ye're a-going," said he, send word, and Torraine and his jolly boys'll be with ye ere the sun has sunk twice behind Black Point."

"All right, old fox," answered Gil. "But don't imagine that Torraine and his jolly boys will cut much of a swarth in London town; 'tis not as bare of rapscallions as a lady's hand is of hair."

He grinned and called out yet again after we had started: "Remember, ere the sun has sunk

twice back of Black Point, Good-by m'lord; good-by old ape."

When we reached the selvage of the woods where the huts lay thickest, I saw that there was a crowd of men and women and children awaiting us. They had collected together at the foot of one of the lanes knowing that we must pass that way. Some one has spread the news of our departure.

(To be continued.)

SUPER HAD HIS REVENGE.

Discharged Actor Spoiled Scene for Frederick Warde.

"Did I ever tell you about the time my uncle, the actor, played with Frederick Warde?" said the sailor.

"No," said the druggist. "Well, uncle was a super with Warde, and for drinking too much he

got fired. "'You can go,' Warde says, 'at the

end of the week." "That made uncle mad and he decided to have revenge. So on his last night, after he had got his salary all right, he went on the stage with an egg in his hand.

"Warde was playin" 'Julius Caesar, and it was in the garden scene, where Brutus-that was Warde-walked about and shook hands with the various conspirators.

"Uncle was one of the conspirators, and he held the egg in his right fist. He watched his chance, and when Warde, in a lordly way, went to shake hands with him he dropped the egg in

"Uncle says he never seen such a surprised look on any one's face as he seen on Warde's then. His hand closed immediately and he glanced down at the thing that had been given him. When he found it was an egg he looked more surprised than ever.

Warde's open palm.

"He couldn't put no fire into the scene after that. He didn't do any more handshakin' for fear he might smash the egg. He kept shiftin' it from one hand to the other, and you could hear him cursin' under his breath.

"At the end of the scene he rushed into the wings yellin':

"'Where's that infernal Musgrave? "But Uncle Musgrave, you bet, had

skipped.' An Utterly Hopeless Case. "Do you enjoy classical music!"

asked the young woman. "Yes, miss," answered Mr. Cum-"I enjoy it very much; but I never can get over the idea that the tunes would sound better if they were

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Sleeper's Real Offense. An eccentric minister caused some surprise one Sunday by declaring that he did not in the least object to people sleeping while he was preaching. A few minutes later he and his hearers were disturbed by the loud snoring of a man just below the pulpit. ."Give him a tap on the head," said the minister. This was done, ineffectually. "Give him another," came the order again. Still the man slumbered. But at length by dint of much tapping and shaking, he was recalled into abashed consciousness. "You are making a wretched noise," roared the minister, leaning over the pulpit edge. "I don't

mind your sleeping, but you are preventing other people from sleeping! Old-Time Controversies.

Old-time controversies were often vigorous in language. In a controver sy with Milton concerning the divine right of kings Salmasius called his op ponent a puny piece of a man, a homunculus, a dwarf not having a human figure, a bloodless being, a creature of skin and bones, a contemptible pedagogue fit only to flog boys, a rhinoceros, a hangdog looking fellow. The great English poet not only answered in kind, but entered into an extensive correspondence with people in Holland to obtain petty gossip and scandalous anecdotes concerning his

Costlier than Champagne. Although champagne is called the wealthy water," there are few hotels in the country where one can pay more than \$4 a quart for it, while, on the other hand, there are hundreds of old fox! took them from beneath the places where Burgundy is sold as high horses' hoofs and sent my hand into as \$35 a quart. At one hotel the menu advertises a special brand of this fine wine for \$25 a bottle. There are any number of Rhine wines which cost above \$8, and there is a big demand for them. Champagne does not improve with age as the other wines do and this probably accounts for the dif-

Naval Medical Practice.

Fancy sending a gunboat to the China seas without a surgeon on poard! But such things used to happen. The Admiralty provided a wellstocked medicine chest. But the capain knew nothing of medicine, so he nad all the medicine bottles emptied into a big tub, and then assembled the company. "All the stuff is there," said he, "and if any one goes sick he shall have a dose of the mixture, for there's bound to be something in it that will suit you!"—London Mail.

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"People always respond to good advertising, and one need have no fear of the effor's going amiss.

"I keep a separate record of each department, and when one of them shows a falling off I give it a dose of medicine in the shape of ads., which always proves effective."

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#### LOCAL ITEMS.

Happy New Year. Miss Ida Bartholomy is on the sick

Mrs. H. P. Lee, who has been quite

ll, is improving. Roy Rice was the guest of Detroit

friends over Sunday. Roy Phillips was the guest of Shab-

bona friends over Sunday. John Kitchin is spending the week

with friends at Pontiac. Robert Jeffery of Wilmot was in

town on business Tuesday. Miss Mary Warner of Detroit spent

Sunday with friends here. H. B. Outwater has gone to Romeo

for a two weeks' vacation. Miss Oreno Schenck is spending the holidays at her home here.

Frank Herr fell last Thursday in juring his breast bone quite badly.

Miss Pauline Elliott was the guest of Novesta friends Christmas day.

Roy Spencer was the guest of Detroit friends the first of the week.

Mrs. G. A. Stevenson spent part of the week with relatives at Colling. Burt Hunt of Detroit spent the irst of the week with friends here.

f Indiana are visiting friends here. Miss Dondineau of Pinnebog is the quest of Miss Tena Wettlaufer this

John Boardt and daughter, Ethel,

Fred Dafoe of Bad Axe was a guest

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bentley of Caro spent Christmas at the home of John

Miss Leola Lauderbach, who attends college at Alma, is home for the holi-

Guy and Miss Pearl Landon are spending the week with friends in tablishment.

Miss Ella LePla, who is teaching

Frank Young of Detroit visited his

Miss Agnes Pitcher of Pontiac is spending the week with her sister,

Bay City are visiting with her mother, business trip. Mrs. A. Parker.

Mr. and Mrs. Romain Fancher of Attica are spending the week at the home of P. S. Rice.

Mrs. T. L. Tibbals, who spent a few days here last week, returned to Brown City Monday.

E. Yakes, who has been employed at Bear Lake, is spending the week with his family here.

Stanley Schenck, who attends college at Alma, is the guest of relatives here for the holidays.

Lew M. Houghton of Detroit spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Houghton. Miss Ida Burt, who is teaching

school at Manistee, is the guest of her mother, Mrs. Mary Burt. A. C. Bader of Cincinnati, Ohio, is

Bader and other friends. Re-organization of the Y. P. A. of

the Evangelical church will be held on Tuesday evening, Jan. 3. Mr. and Mrs. E. McKim and family spent Christmas day with the former's

brother and family in Novesta.

A MATTER OF HEALTH



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WEST MAIN STREET.

Lottie Hall spent Christmas at the latter's parental home at Elkton.

The Ladies' Aid of the Evangelical church will meet at the home of Mrs. Chris. Striffler on Thursday, Jan. 5. Myron Hanson of Silverwood spent

the first of the week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hanson south of town. Glen Marr of Bear Lake is renewing old acquaintances here and also visit-

ing his grandparents at Cumber this

Miss Frances Martus, a student at Alma college, is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jos.

were the guests of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. Hill, over Sunday.

Miss Stella Fancher of Imlay City is this week.

their parental home here the first of the week.

Mrs. A. G. Houghton and her church. daughter, Mrs. Martin, and children are spending the week with friends in brick residence of Jos. Martus, three

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Snyder were the rington, at North Branch the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. George Mann of Mt. Vernon, were guests of the latter's t the home of H. Wettlaufer over sister, Mrs. M. L. Gulick, on Christmas day.

C. H. Wood of Evanston, Ill., is spending the week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Wood, and other

Miss Lucy Parker returned this week from Mt. Pleasant, where she has been employed in a millinery es-

Miss Tillie McPhail spent Christmas | Harry L., and son-in-law, Geo. Matschool at Birmingham, is home for the at the latter's parental home at zen, both former residents of Cass City Wickware.

brother, Harry Young, a few days at Bellaire, is spending the holidays the products are ladies' skirts, suits, friends here.

C. D. Striffler has returned home from Buffalo and Detroit, where he Mrs. Jas. McLellan and little son of has been for a couple of weeks on a Miss Mollie Akerman, who teaches

> town, is spending the holidays at her parental home at Forestville. Nearly every business place in town was closed Monday in order to give

in the stone school house northeast of

the proprietors and employes a chance to enjoy Christmas festivities. Mrs. H. Wettlaufer and Miss Lillian

Striffler attended the Christmas exercises in the school northwest of Gagetown taught by Miss Tena them tested their ability as acrobats Wettlaufer.

children of Wickware and Mrs. Della ever, the conditions for travel made Herriman of Detroit spent Monday a thriving business for the local with Mrs. Cridland's parents, Mr. and | blacksmiths who have been kept busy Mrs. J. H. Davis.

directors of the fair association will shoes" for horses. The thaw which the guest of his mother, Mrs. Eleanor Tuesday afternoon, Jan. 3, commenc- travelling less dangerous and with ing at two o'clock.

The annual meeting of the Baptist society will be held at the church Monday afternoon, Jan. 2, commencing at 2:30 o'clock. All members are requested to be present.

Miss Tillie McPhail, who has been employed in the dry goods department of A. A. Hitchcock's store, expects to leave Monday for Kalamazoo, where she has secured a position as attendant at the asylum.

Miss Marguerite LaFave, who has been employed in Detroit, was the guest of her sister, Miss Edythe La-Fave over Sunday. On Monday they went to their parental home at Gagetown to spend a few days.

The members of the I. O. O. F. have decided to install their new officers Johnsons' Market. on Wednesday evening, Jan. 11. Every member is invited to be present. Refreshments will be served and a general good time is anticipated. The advertised letters for the week

ending Dec. 24, are: Alven Bocannon, JANES. John Collins, Mr. and Mrs. William McCrig, Neil D. McPhail, Miss Nance McPhail, Miss Florence Mann, Mrs. Bertha Moshier, Miss Mabel Martin.

At the Evangelical church the pastor will give a ten minute talk in English to the boys and girls next Sunday morning and the German service will follow. In the evening there will be a Y. P. A. meeting. The annual business meeting of the society that in each space has been printed, will be held on Tuesday evening, Jan.

C. Hulbert of Cass City is superintending the overhauling of Glen Mills at East's pond, near Romeo, preparatory to the opening and operating of day for exchanging gifts than Christthe mill by a brother of Mr. Hulbert. mas. The custom of New Year's calls, The mill property was purchased of once so popular in this country, but the C. W. Roberson estate by C. W. Heller of Cass City.—Rochester Clar- supreme in Paris. Great family din-

home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McCauley on the boulevards that pedestrians of Grant township on Wednesday, sometimes have to take the middle of Dec. 21, when their daughter, Miss the street.

The Misses Edythe Wilson and Clara, was united in marriage to David J. Knight of Marlette. The ceremony was performed in the presence of a few friends by Rev. J. A. Adair of Marlette. The couple are spending their honeymoon in Ontario.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Fairweather have moved into the delightfully pleasant rooms above his store. The rooms have been renovated and newly papered. They are large and conveniently arranged for housekeeping and Mr. Fairweather and family are certainly very comfortably situated in their new quarters.—Imlay City Times.

The Christmas entertainments given by the Sunday schools of the various churches passed off very pleasantly Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hill of Pontiac this year. On Friday evening the Presbyterian Sunday school enjoyed a supper in the town hall, after which there was a Christmas tree laden with gifts for the little folks. On Saturday visiting at the home of her uncle, P. evening the M. E. and Evangelical S. Rice, and with other friends here Sunday schools held their entertainments in their respective churches. Grant Fritz of Jackson and Miss Programs were rendered and at the Cecil Fritz of Bad Axe were guests at M. E. church there was a Christmas tree, while gifts were distributed to the children at the Evangelical

Last Thursday afternoon the fine miles west and one mile north of town, was totally destroyed by fire, guests of their daughter, Mrs. Har- probably caused by a defective chim-

ney. When the fire was discovered it was too late to save anything in the upper story, but by hard work of the family and neighbors nearly everything on the first floor was saved. The loss amounted to about \$2000. The building and household goods were insured for \$1000 in the Tuscola County Farmers' Mutual and an adjustment of the amount was made on Wednesday.

E. H. Pinney received a large photograph last week which shows the different departments of the manufacturing industry at Seattle, Wash., Mr. and Mrs. Chas. A. Sherman and that is being conducted by his son, and well known here. The factory Miss Myrtle Orr, who teaches school force consists of 15 to 25 persons and with her mother, Mrs. Robt. Orr, and etc. These find a ready sale in the West and in Alaska. One order sent to a woman retailing this line in the 🗓 latter country realized the snug sum of \$500. The many friends of the hustling business men will be pleased . Language properties of the pleased . The pleased . The properties of the propert

to hear of their success. The heavy sleet storm which struck this vicinity on Monday afternoon covered everything with a coating of ice so slippery that for a day or so everybody "had their skates on." The ice furnished good skating for the boys and girls and on Tuesday Main street was alive with the youngsters who were enjoying the sport to the fullest extent. Not so for the older citizens for several of by trying to "walk on air," but for-Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Cridland and tunately no accident occurred. Howalmost night and day this week try-The annual meeting of the board of | ing to meet the demand for "sharp be held at the council rooms on came Tuesday afternoon has made a few inches of "the beautiful" we may expect good sleighing.

Farmers should remember that A. A. McKenzie is making contracts for the Caro sugar factory and that the seed is only ten cents a pound this year. 12-29-1

BA. W. Traver has a new stock of buggies, cutters, etc., in his store on Main street to which he wishes to call your attention.

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property. A. A. McKenzie. 12-16-MAIl parties indebted to John Schwaderer are requested to settle at

11-25-4 Rooms to rent in the opera block. Inquire of Mrs. J. L. Hitch; cock.

Dry beach and maple wood for sale at \$2.00 and \$2.25 per cord. O. K. 11-25-tf

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the dates after Jan. 23 you will see 'Got up, ate breakfast, lunch and dinner and went to bed.' That insures a complete diary for the year."-Judge.

New Year's In France. New Year's in France is a greater

now fallen almost into disuse, is still prominently, add to the gayety of the A happy wedding occurred at the day. So crowded are the pavements

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