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BY A. A. P. M'DOWELL.

mas Presents. mas Bargains.

What Would be More Suitable For a Christmas Present Than a

> Lady's or gents warm Shoe or Slipper, a pair of warm Mitts or Gloves, a Hat or Cap or nice Nobby suit of Clothes? A new line of Xmas Ties to select from.

IN BARGAINS.

All our Lady's \$4.00 Shoes for\$3.00 "Men's \$5.00 Shoes for\$3.00 and 3.50 All suits and overcoats at Bargain Prices.



Talk About Prices!!

There is no place in the State that will beat the prices and quality of goods you can buy at 2 Macks 2.

They Have a Full Line of

Clothing, Shoes Rubbers, Furnishing Goods, Hats, Caps, Dry Goods, Groceries, Carpets, Ladies' Capes and almost anything you need. If others give half off their prices will make you think you are getting nearly all off. If you want to be dealt with on the square, try

MACKS 2.

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What makes a better Christmas present than SOMETHING USEFUL?

Our line consists of useful articles such as

Fascinators, all wool knit Shirts, felt lined Shoes, very fine all wool Bed Blankets, Etc.

Ask to see

Our ladies' fine shoe at \$1.50 with patent leather tip and lace stay. It's the finest in the market at the price. We are selling First Quality rub-bers at Reduced Prices. Get our prices before buying. See our combination felt and rubber at \$1.49.

LAING & JANES.

For Xmas Traders

We are offering a very FINE LINE OF

Handkerchiefs from.....ic to 75 Fascinators from 18c to 75 Gloves, Mittens, Ties, Neck Scarfs, Caps, at lowest prices.

We Have a Fine Line of

Children's, Misses and Ladies' Capes and Jack-程 ets which are very cheap. Call and look them over. We carry the BEST 25c TEA in the a market. Butter and Eggs wanted.

Frost & Hebblewhite.

Butter and Eggs Wanted.

Farm For Sale.

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ITEMS OF PURELY LOCAL INTEREST.

Alex. Brian is visiting a sister at Gaylord, Mich. Prof. W. N. Ferris at the M. E. Church Feb. 4th.

Closing out sale at F. C. Lee's Adv. on this page.

Take a "drive with sweet stuffs" with D. J. Giles. See adv. C. Kastner, of the Gagetown brewery, was in town yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Kennedy have eturned from Manitoba H. P. Deming, of St. Louis, Mo., is

visiting his family at this place. Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Allen and son have been visiting friends at Oxford. Avery Lee writes from California hat he is now busy picking oranges. Mrs. Erb, of North Branch, is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. A. Durkee.

Mrs. Jos. Young, of Clifford, is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. A. Tanner. S. Ostrander's change of advertisement is sure to interest you this week. Alex. Brian has been assisting Thos. Cross at E. Reader's, northeast of town. J. D. Crosby makes some wonderful offers for Christmas in this week's

A. Frutchey is having a Moore telephone placed in his residence on Seegar Street.

We learn that Marcus Karr, who was attacked with fever up north, has re-Miss Rena Meiser entertained a

number of her young lady friends Mrs. N. Bradley, from north-west

of town, is visiting at Corinth and Tilsonburg, Ont. Axford & Stone from Oxford, have

leased the rink and have it open every evening for Cycle skating. Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Blinn, of East Dayton, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Lee over Sunday.

Miss Lottie Usher left this morning for Tilsonburg, Ont., where she will spend some time with relatives. Rev. E. Rushbrook and R. A. Robin-

on were at Bad Axe yesterday attend ng the ordination of A. L. Bell. W. A. Fairweather has something extra nice in handkerchiefs for the

holidays. See his change of adv. Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Wood were called to Leonard last week owing to the serious illness of Mr. Wood's mother.

E. McKim and his assistant, Jas. Hil liker, put on one hundred and fortyfour horse-shoes one day last week How's that?

The Woman's Home Missionary Society of the M. E. Church will hold its monthly meeting at the church tomorrow afternoon.

Chas. Gooden, of Novesta, wishes to express his thanks to the people of Cass City who helped him in his of Sheridan.

ecent loss by fire. Landon, Eno & Keating are erecting

F. C. Lee spent the greater part of

last week in Detroit looking after holiday goods. He also called on friends at Birmingham. See change of adv. Miss Libbie Randall, who has conducted dressmaking parlors at Reese, for some time past, has closed her

business there and returned to her nome at this place. Mrs. W. J. Albertson writes us from Oxford that they expect to run the creamery next season as formerly. We

nention this so that farmers will not dispose of their cows. Rev. E. Rushbrook will preach at the Baptist Church Sunday morning and evening. Subject for morning, by

request, the first chapter of Revelations; evening, "The I will's of Exodus xii." Miss Leslie Landon leaves to morrow morning for her home at Lansdown, Ont. She has spent several months with relatives here and has formed a

large circle of friends who regret her Tickets will be on sale Dec. 24, 25 and 31 and Jan. 1, to all P. O. & N, stations and on connecting roads at one and

one-third fare for the round trip. Good to return up to and including Jan. 3, 1898. At the regular meeting on Saturday the following officers were elected for the year 1898 of Milo Warner Post, No.

232, G. A. R., Dept. of Michigan:—Com., George Perkins; S. V. Com., D. M. Houghton; J. V. Com., George Martin; Surgeon, A. K. Hower; Chaplin, Henry Marshall; Q. M., George Aplin; Officer of the Day, Robt. Sack-ner; Officer of the Guard, Jas. Ward. The anniversary services of the M.

E. Sunday school will be held next Sunday and on Christmas eve. Rev. D. B. Millar, of the Elkton and Pigeon ircuit, will preach a sermon to adults unday morning and give an address during the evening program in which the school will take part. On Friday evening, 24th, there will be a Christ-mas tree and an appropriate program

A quiet but pleasant wedding ceremony was performed Wednesday evening at the home of Elijah Tanner, north-west of town, the contracting parties being John Marks and Mrs. Laura A. Bickford. Rev. J. W. Fenn officiated. We extend congratulations.

At the last regular meeting of Tyler lodge, F. & A. M., the tollowing officers were elected for the ensuing year:—W. were elected for the ensuing year:—W. M., I. Waidley; S. W., E. McKim; J. W., J. Crane; treas., E. H. Pinney; sec., A. A. McKenzie; S. D., A. J. Carrier; J. D., Chas. Hall; stewarts, C. W. Heller, T. D. Leach; Tyler, J. Evans.

C. W. Hildie, of Kingston, called on us Saturday. He has been in the em-ploy of Uncle Sam this season, being in the engineer department of the gunboat Fessenden. This boat is likely to go out of service and its place be filled by one of two new boats now under construction at Cleveland.

ward for good honest work done. After Christmas he will canvass Caro and other towns in that vicinity and will carry a sample of the Ideal adjustable bookholder manfactured by Pinney & Lenzner, of this place.

Deputy Commissioner of Insurance Stevens, of Lansing, was in these parts recently and examined the books of the Tuscola Farmers Mutual. He complimented Secretary Walmsley very highly upon the condition of his books, stating that, with one exception, they were better kept than any he had found in the state.

You may be a good merchant, a good buyer and a good seller, and know all about your goods, but you may not be able to tell the public about them through your ads, simply because you haven't patience to tell them about the little things you know so well, but which the public should know before they buy of you.

Several of our exchanges have of late published items regarding the disappearance of Miss Flora Gall from Deckerville. It appears that this young lady has been in the employ of Chas. Trevethan, who recently came here from Deckerville, but did not come here with the family. A brother of the missing girl was here but Mr. Trevethan could give him no clue as to her whereabouts, except that they understood she went to Pt. Huron. Later reports state that her brother found her at that place and took her

Mrs. F. C. Lee over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Lee visited the latter's sister, Mrs. L. D. Welch, of Caro, on Friday and Saturday.

Miss Lottie Usher left this morning McDowell; S. W., Wm. Messner; J. McDowell; S. W., Wm. Messner; J. W., John Cornellan; S. B., Ed. Eno; J. B., D. M. Houghton; C. D., N. Morrison; phy., M. M. Wickware; trustees, Ed. Brotherton, A. H. Muck; fin. com., D. J. Giles, G. Masselink; Rep. to H. C., I. K. Reid; alternate, A.

H. Muck. Findlay Ross, of Sheridan township, called at this office on Tuesday. He also has a daughter Maggie, who is employed in Detroit, and certain parties have tried to injure her reputation by applying to her the reports which appeared in the Detroit dailies recently. Such false reports tend to injure the feelings of the young lady's friends even more than the young lady, as her friends know how false they are and what an injustice is done by their cir-We are pleased to be able to culation. assert that the Maggie Ross spoken of in the dailies is not the Maggie Ross,

The school entertainment given in the Town Hall last Friday evening was an addition to their workshop, 14x40 most liberally patronized, the seats being filled and all the available standing room occupied. The scholars who ing filled and all the available standing room occupied. The scholars who took part in the program did so in excellent style. Two of the most pleasing numbers were, the drill by Grades and 5, and the debate "Protection vs. Free Trade" by Pearl Schenck and Ed ward Pinney. The proceeds amounted to \$26 and will go towards a library. The disorder which prevailed during the evening destroyed much of the en-joyment of the occasion and we would respectfully suggest that the township officers take some steps towards maintaining order upon such occasions.

Money to Loan On farm property in amounts of \$200 to \$2,500 from 2 to 10 years. Will take partial payments. See O. K. Janes for particulars.

Marriage Licenses.

John E. Beckett, Ellington. Martha E. Gordon, Caro... John Mark, Elkland.... Laura Bickford, Elkland A lexander Betwe, Gilford .. Richard A. Robert, Kingston. Myrtle Richards, Sanilac..... Archie Williams, Genesee Co. Clara M. Sergent, Elva..... Edward Thomas, Millington. Addie L. Mitts, Vassar...... Joseph Kirkpatrick, Columbia.... Rosella Thane, Ellington......

Money to loan on real estate on favorable terms at the Cass City Bank.

Notice to Taxpayers. Tuesdays and Fridays hereafter to receive taxes for Elkland township. SOLOMON STRIFFLER. 12-16-1

Rooms to rent above the Cass City Bank. Inquire at the Cass City Bank.

A cutter for sale. LAING & JANES.

See the samples of Paper Napkins at the Enterprise Office.

THE MISSION OF MIRTH.

s Presented by Thos. McClary at the

The first lecture of the Citizens Course was given at the M. E. Church on Monday evening by Thos. McClary, of Minneapolis, Minn., his subject being "The Mission of Mirth." Prof. G. Masselink introduced the speaker who introduced his subject in a very cool, plain, matter-of-fact style that savored slightly of slowness, but this was soon forgotten in the avalanche of trite say-ings which followed. We will not attempt to give anything like a full re-

port—simply a few gleanings.

To illustrate the difficulties under which joke writers pursue their daily round of duties the writer of jokes was pictured at his desk while in an adjoining room lay his child in a white fine holiday gifts from the publishing houses which he represents, as a reward for good herest are production of health and production of health is quickly thrown before the assembly of a home where is father, mother and child. A soldier enters and engages in a fight with the father. The mother separates the combatants and with the heat of passion still upon her picks up the babe and gives it nourishment. In a brief space of time the babe was dead, the heat of passion changing nourishment to poison. A mother sees a window fall upon the hand of of her child and the child's hand swells; soon her own hand swells in a similar menner. A young man is so influenced by physicians that he is put to bed and kept there a week, believing himself to be seriously ill when in reality he has good health. Another man is condemned to be bled to death by doctors, who practice a de-ception and lead him to believe that ne is dying and even dead. All these but illustrate the influence of mind over matter. Again, a man's wife thought she was dying-she was always dying—and the man feared she would die. The day was even fixed and the man, wishing to save a trip to town engaged the undertaker and min isier—the funeral was forty years later. Another woman who expected soon to be in her heavenly home, didn't know what her husband would do with out her, but thought she'd feel better f she knew that Maggie, who had long worked in the home, was his wife. When husband remarked, "we've been Later reports state that her brother found her at that place and took her home.

At the regular communication of Court Elkland, No. 826, I. O. F. on Tuesday evening, the following officers were elected for 1898—C. R. H. L.

a half dozen people meet a man and speak gloomily, tell him he's looking bad, etc., down goes his spirits; but ily his spirits rise as quickly, showing the influence of mind over body More people are going to the insane asylums from the rural districts than from the crowded cities, because it is the dull monotony of life that kills. We need something to cheer us up. As we run up the blinds and throw open the windows of our dwellings to let in air and sun, so we should by mirthfulness open up the avenues of nealth. If we could analyze the blood after a fit of passion and after a hearty laugh we would be surprised at the contrast. "Laugh and grow fat." A augh is better than doctor's medicine. t is without money and without price. Mirthfulness was recommended as a nethod to improve one's appearance

Man was not made to be ornamental or, if so, Nature had made gaeat misakes. The ladies were the flowers in the social garden and men were willing they should be. The speaker liked The speaker liked flowers but he did not care for a flower garden with nothing but sunflowershe wanted the mignonette, daisies and the roses. Amusing reference was made here to the adornment of the ladies and it was mentioned that in most audiences there was room for improvement along this line. God made our features but we have much to do with making our countenances. A fallen girl is led to forsake her evil were made to solve it but he was fallen girl is led to forsake her evil life because she sees the change wrought in her countenance by that The face of a beautiful babe is is painted by an artist as his ideal of heaven, the artist resolving that if he ever saw the opposite face he would use it to represent hell. Years after he painted the hideous face of a man land. So we should frown less, smile as "hell" and investigation proved that he was once the beautiful babe. The old cart a little more oil and less sand expression we put on our faces becomes When a boy or man is hurt he don't have to study elecution to draw up his fist, to knit his brow and do other like things. Some people go about looking as though they could bite off a ten penny nail. Anger pulls down the brow, and draws down the corners of the mouth, while mirth smooths out the brow, prevents wrink-

les, arches the eyebrows and elevates the corners of the mouth. The speaker never thought himself beautiful but was of the opinion that he would look much better going through the world with the latter expression than with the former. A girl makes herself loved because she is full of kindness and love. A woman enters a company and has but an "ordinary" or "homely appearance but a closer look reveals true beauty. No person is beautiful until the moral wealth of their character throws a cheerful expression upon I will be at the Exchange Bank on grew flowers of moral beauty. People are beautiful because they are good. Mirthfulness will improve our appear-

> by which we may get over hard places. A boy stubs his toe on a stone, turns around and kicks the stone, hurting his toe the second time. Older people act in a similar manner. When the times are dull, politics go wrong and everything is out of order, instead of being trustful and patient, they begin happy. Dr. Tanner said that "many to swear and tear, and the more they people had the Lord in their hearts

It is also recommended as a method

Drive With Sweet Stuffs.

Plum Puddings, Sweet Puddings, Bread Puddings and Pudding Puddings

are much richer if inlaid with seeded raising that you know. We know, that when in the pudding the "POLLY BRAND" raisin will talk for itself. This is a seedless raisin put up nicely in 1 lb boxes carefully wrapped in parffin paper to keep them fresh, of course.

For the Holidays.

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choice. The finest line of furs in the city Goods must go, call early and get fro:

TWO STOCKS. LMO SLOBES

on earth, Prisoners were obliged to lie on the floor, "spoon fashion," not even having room enough to turn on their backs, so that when one wished to turn it was necessary to call out. "Attention! right about spoon." Amid the gloom and privations of this prison, upon one of those memorable nights, a soldier arose and propounded obliged to give the answer himself-"Because of its lie-see-'em,,' and the retort came (back, "I can't see 'em but I can feel 'em." Because of this cheerful spirit maintained many of the "boys" were still living who otherwise more; swear less, sing more; give the

Again, cheerfulness is a means to success. Frowns are becoming of less success. value in the market every day. Business men and clerks who throw in a smile with a bargain draw trade while those who frown drive it away. Vinegar never catches flies; honey does Several instances were recited of those who had succeeded in business life because of their cheerfulness. It is literally time that good cheer is wanted in business circles and elsewhere. Anyone who does not cul-not seen them. If he had learned how elsewhere. Anyone who does not cultivate such a spirit is sure to be deleated. It will aid to success. Try it and see.

It is also a method for doing good. We do the most good by our unconscious influence. What a difference in men we meet and the influence they wield! If we are good, we will do good; if we are bad, we will do harm. A concourse of people are vainly endeavorthe countonance. Lincoln was hand-some because out of his great heart touches the right chord and sets all to sacred shrines, or reclines upon a-jingle. On the other hand another company is having a merry time when a new arrival causes "all the robins to ting them in his boots. These ideas fly because a hawk has entered. He are not confined to heathen religions. may not know he is a hawk but the robins know it." A beautiful rose to get ready to die, having no idea of given the speaker by an uncouth news going to get ready to live; if they boy has been blooming ever since in his heart.

Dr. Tanner said that "many

swear the worse they are, unfitting without a doubt but the devil was in themselves entirely for business. Two their livers." Three good square meals farmers meet on a narrow road and a day of coarse food were recomthe snow deep. Each has a load and each refuses to turn out. Hot words and out; lots of fresh air, night and are exchanged, followed by blows, and day. Sabbath observance was also one is injured and dies while the other is sent to penitentiary—two lives blot—dant cheerfulness. Walk on the ted out and two homes made desolate, sunny side of the street, live on the whereas if they had been cheerful and sunny side of the house; use vaults helped each other all would have gone after you are dead—you'll be dead moothly. | long enough—don't use them during Reference was made to Libby prison | life. Let in the sunlight—it may fade and the cheerfulness of our boys while the carpet and show up the dust but it confined there, and the opinion ad will put a rose on baby's cheek. Ride vanced that if men could be cheerful on the sunny side of the car; live on there they could be cheerful anywhere the sunny side of life. Cultivate the disposition out of which the spirit of good cheer grows. It is better to have faith and trust than doubt and gloom. The world is dark enough and hard enough without tearing every star from the heavens by cultivating doubt. Cultivate the expression of good cheer. There are people who can't laugh outwardly. They have never cultivated the expression of cheerfulness. The moving of the muscles of their face would be like the breaking up of the ice in the spring on a small stream. The children would wonder what had happened if their parents should laugh.

> evident by the illustration he gave. Blessings on the man who stands on the street corner and laughs so that he is heard blocks away; or the mother who sings her song of trust; on the boy with his merry whistle as he goes about his work; on the girl whose cheerful song gladdens the home. We must take time for doing this sort of thing. The city business man takes his breakfast and reads his morning paper together, then rushes to business, and keeps it up unceasingly. At the close of life he is told there are stars in the sky, flowers along his to live he would not ask "Is life worth

When the speaker had nothing partic-

ular to laugh about and was desirous

of having a laugh, he simply touched

the button and "away it went" as was

It is also necessary that we have correct views of religion. It is not far from veneration to gloom and people appear frequently to mistake gloom or yeneration; to think that the way to please God is to displease them selves. So an East Indian holds his arm in an upright position, endures spikes, not having the common sense of Pat who boiled the peas before putweren't geing to die they wouldn't go an inch. Not long since the churches were in the graveyards but they are Many helps to cheerfulness were suggested. Those who are strong and healthy are usually cheerful and healthy are usually cheerful and young people's societies will have them among the flowers, where they belong among the flowers where they belong,

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SASS CITY, - - MICHIGAN.

The Kansas City Star says Chicago girls are flocking in droves to see the Brazilian anaconda that hugged a pony

Two Boston poets are going to try to walk across the Atlantic in pneumatic boots. They probably will wear the boots on their poetic feet.

The sad story is told of a Connecticut girl of disordered mind who, possessed by a mania to disrobe, took to the woods. It is strange that she did not take to the stage.

It has been developed by a census of the treasury department that, while with lessons of solemn and eternal the District of Columbia is entitled to import. To these graver lessons we only nine appointments, it has 305. devote our sermon. This giant no The District of Columbia does not vote in presidential elections, but, in an what he was to be. It is almost alemergency, can easily supply enough officeholders to run the government. The patriots at Washington are content to let the others do the voting so long as they get the official plums.

One of the prominent delegates at the convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union in Toronto was from Iceland. She was interviewed, as a matter of course, and said, for one thing, that there are no tramps in Iceland. Possibly one explanation of this cheerful fact is to be found in her remark that by nature the Icelander is of an "intensive disposition." A tramp, as is well known, abhors intensity. It wearies him.

Argentine wheat crops for the last six years have been as follows: 1892. 34.000.000 bushels: 1893, 58.000.000 bushels; 1894, 84,000,000 bushels; 1895, 60,000,000 bushels; 1896, 44,000,000 bushels: 1897 (estimate), 28,000,000 bushels. The exports to Europe have been: 1892, 16,800,000 bushels; 1893, 33,600,000 bushels; 1894, 56,000,000 bushels; 1897, 37,600,000 bushels; 1896 18,000,000 bushels; 1897 (estimate), 2. 000,000 bushels.

It is proposed to establish a commercial museum in San Francisco on lines similar to those of the Philadelphia institution. The purpose as projected is to bring the markets of the Asian-Pacific coast in closer touch with the United States. According to John Barrett, the American minister at Bangkok, the United States has trade opportunities in this direction covering a coast line of 4,000 miles and representing a population of 500,000,-

That the greatness of the self-made man is consequent upon meagre educational advantages is an old superstition fast disappearing, as Ex-President Cleveland pointed out at the recent Princeton commemoration. The successful man whose youth was without advantages has attained success not because of those disadvantages, but in spite of them, and it is logical to infer that with increased intellectual training he would have climbed to still greater eminence.

The uses of lemons are manifold, and the more we employ them the better we shall find ourselves. For all people, in sickness or in health, lemonade is not only a safe but a remarkably pleasant drink. It is a specific against worms and skin complaints. The pippins crushed may also be mixed with water and used as a drink. Lemon juice is the best anti-scorbutic remedy known. It not only cures the disease, but, what is better than a cure, is a preventive. Sailors make a daily use of it for that purpose. It is a good thing to rub the gums daily with lemon juice to keep them in a healthy condition. It prevents chilblains. Lemon used in intermittent fevers is mixed with strong hot black tea or coffee without sugar. Neuralgia may be cured by rubbing the part afflicted with a lemon. It is valuable also to cure warts and to destroy dandruff on the head by rubbing the roots of the hair with it.

Not very long ago a stray item of fashion reached a missionary among the Indians of the far west, to the effect that braided palmetto hats were much worn, and she remembered what fun she had thought that braiding gle, but his strength is all gone. He was, when she was a little girl in in the hands of his enemies. Louisiana. It flashed upon her that corn-husks might be used for the same purpose, and before evening she had staggering on in his blindness, feeling gathered a crowd of eager Indian boys his way as he goes on toward Gaza. around her and taught them to fash- The prison door is open, and the giant ion very presentable hats. "I believe is thrust in. He sits down and puts they will sell," she told the young In- his hand on the mill-crank, which, dians, and they have been sold. "But with exhausting horizontal motion, even if they do not," one lad replied, goes day after day, week after week, "we shall never have to buy any more month after month-work, work, work! for ourselves." So the nice braiding The consternation of the world in canof palmetto, learned in childhood, has | tivity, his locks shorn, his eyes puncresulted in creating a new industry | tured, grinding corn in Gaza! for the Indian. It is always so. Whatever is useful that one learns thoroughly and well is quite sure to come into service in later life.

The league magnates have decided that two umpires must officiate at each game. This will make it much more interesting for the bleachers clear down to the left field fence. They couldn't be expected to throw a beer bottle or any other missile with any accuracy as far as the home plate.

Abdul Hamid mildly disclaims responsibility for the pillage of American missions. If this government were to take a lesson from Austria in that Mersina affair Abdul might be brought to see the matter differently.

TALMAGE'S SERMON.

BANCTIFIED MUSCLE, LAST SUNDAY'S SUBJECT.

Takes the Exciting Story of Sampson as a Suggestion-"And Sampson Went Down to Timnath"-Judges; Chapter XIX., Verse 1.



sides to the character of Samson The one phase of his life, if followed into the particulars, would administer to the grotesque and the mirthful: but there is a phase of his character fraught

doubt in early life gave evidences of ways so. There were two Napoleons -the boy Napoleon and the man Napoleon-but both alike; two Howards -the boy Howard and the man Howard-but both alike; two Samsonsthe boy Samson and the man Samson | their money aright, and use their in--but both alike. This giant was no doubt the hero of the playground, and | find aware of the fact that they ought nothing could stand before his exhibitions of youthful prowess. At eighteen years of age he was betrothed to the daughter of a Philistine. Going and, lest we should complain that we down toward Timnath, a lion came have no tools to work with, God gives upon him, and, although this young us our hands and feet, with every giant was weaponless, he seized the monster by the long mane and shook him as a hungry hound shakes a March hare, and made his bones crack, and left him by the wayside bleeding under the smiting of his fist and one

grinding heft of his heel. There he stands, looming up above other men, a mountain of flesh, his arms bunched with muscle that can lift the gate of a city, taking an attitude defiant of everything. His hair has never been cut, and it rolled down in seven great plaits over his shoulders, adding to his bulk, fierceness and terror. The Philistines want to conquer him, and therefore they must find out where the secret of his strength lies.

There is a dissolute woman living in the valley of Sorek by the name of Delilah. They appoint her the agent in the case. The Philistines are secreted in the same building, and then Delilah goes to work and coaxes Samson to tell what is the secret of his strength. "Well," he says, "if you as they fasten wild beasts with, and put them around me I should be perout as though they were no impediyou should take some ropes that have never been used and tie me with them I should be just like other men." She ties him with the ropes, claps her hands and shouts: "They come-the Philistines!" He walks out as easily as he did before—not a single obstruction. She coaxes him again, and he says: "Now, if you should take these seven long plaits of hair, and by this house-loom weave them into a web, I could not get away." So the houseloom is rolled up, and the shuttle flies backward and forward and the long plaits of hair are woven into a web. Then she claps her hands, and says: "They come-the Philistines!" He walks out as easily as he did before, dragging a part of the loom with him.

But after a while she persuaded him to tell the truth. He says: "If you should take a razor or shears and cut off this long hair, I should be powerless, and in the hands of my enemies." Samson sleeps, and that she may not wake him up during the process of shearing, help is called in. You know that the barbers of the East have such a skilful way of manipulating the head to this very day that instead of waking up a sleeping man, they will put a man wide awake sound asleep. I hear the blades of the shears grinding against each other, and I see the long locks falling off. The shears or razor accomplishes what green withes and new ropes and house-loom could not do. Suddenly she claps her hands, and says: "The Philistines be upon thee, Samson." He rouses up with a strug-

I hear the groan of the giant as they take his eyes out, and then I see him

First of all, behold in this giant of the text that physical power is not always an index of moral power. He was a huge man-the lion found it out, and the three thousand men whom he slew found it out; yet he was the subject of petty revenges and out-gianted by low passion. I am far from throwing any discredit upon physical stamina. There are those who seem to have great admiration for delicacy and sickliness of constitution. I never could see any glory in weak nerves or sick headache. Whatever effort in our day is made to make the men and women more robust should have the favor of every good citizen as well as of every Christian. Gymnastics may

be positively religious. Good people sometimes ascribe to a

wicked heart that they ought to asthe soul are such near neighbors that they often catch each other's disease. Those who never saw a sick day, and the cradle, have more to answer for than those who are the subjects of lifelong infirmities. He who can lift twice far, and work twice as long, will have a double account to meet in the judg-

How often is it that you do not find physical energy indicative of spiritual power? If a clear head is worth more than one dizzy with perpetual vertigo -if muscles with the play of health in them are worth more than those drawn up in chronic "rheumatics"-if an eye quick to catch passing objects is better than one with vision dim and uncertain—then God will require of us efficiency just in proportion to what he has given us. Physical energy ought to be a type of moral power. We ought to have as good digestion of truth as we have capacity to assimilate food. Our spiritual hearing ought to be as good as our physical hearing. Our spiritual taste ought to be as clear as our tongue. Samsons in body, we ought to be giants in moral power.

But while you find a great many men who realize that they ought to use telligence aright, how few men you to use their physical organism aright! With every thump of the heart there is something saying, "Work! work!" knuckle, and with every joint, and with every muscle, saying to us, "Lay hold and do something."

But how often it is that men with physical strength do not serve Christ! They are like a ship full manned and full rigged, capable of vast tonnage, able to endure all stress of weather, yet swinging idly at the docks, when these men ought to be crossing and recrossing the great ocean of human suffering and sin with God's supplies of mercy. How often it is that physical strength is used in doing positive damage, or in luxurious ease, when, with sleeves rolled up and bronzed bosom. fearless of the shafts of opposition, it ought to be laying hold with all its might, and tugging away to lift up this sunken wreck of a world.

It is a most shameless fact that much of the business of the church and of the world must be done by those comparatively invalid. Richard Baxter, by reason of his diseases, all his days sitting in the door of the tomb, yet writing more than a hundred volumes, and sending out an influence should take seven green withes, such | for God that will endure as long as the "Saints' Everlasting Rest." Edward Payson, never knowing a well fectly powerless." So she binds him day, yet how he preached, and how he with the seven green withes. Then wrote, helping thousands of dying souls she claps her hands and says: "They like himself to "swim in a sea of come-the Philistines!" and he walks glory!" And Robert M'Cheyne, a walking skeleton, yet you know what he ment. She coaxes him again, and did in Dundee, and how he shook says: "Now, tell me the secret of this | Scotland with zeal for God. Philip great strength?" and he replies: "If Doddridge, advised by his friends, because of his illness, not to enter the ministry, yet you know what he did for the "rise and progress of religion" in

the church and in the world. * * The trouble is that when people write or speak upon this theme they are apt to cover it up with the graces of belles lettres, so that the crime is made attractive instead of repulsive. Lord Byron in "Don Juan" adorns this crime until it smiles like a May queen. Michelet the great French writer, covers it up with bewitching rhetoric, until it glows like the rising sun, when it ought to be made loathsome as a smallpox hospital. There are today influences abroad, which, if unresisted by the pulpit and the printing press. will turn our modern cities into Sodom and Gomorrah, fit only for the storm of fire and brimstone that

whelmed the cities of the plain. You who are seated in your Christian homes, compassed by moral and religious restraints, do not realize the gulf of iniquity that bounds you on the north and the south and the east and west. While I speak there are tens of thousands of men and women going over the awful plunge of an impure life; and while I cry to God for mercy upon their souls I call upon you to marshal in the defense of your homes, your church and your nation. There is a banqueting hall that you have never heard described. You know all about the feast of Ahasuerus, where a thousand lords sat. You know all about Belshazzar's carousal, where the blood of the murdered king spurted into the faces of the banqueters You may know of the scene of riot and wassail, when there was set before Esopus one dish of food that cost \$400,-000. But I speak now of a different banqueting hall. Its roof is fretted with fire. Its floor is tesselated with fire. Its chalices are chased with fire. Its song is a song of fire. Its walls are buttresses of fire. Solomon refers to it when he says: "Her guests are in the depths of hell."

Behold also in this giant of the text and in the giant of our own century that great physical power must crumble and expire. The Samson of the text long ago went away. He fought the lion. He fought the Philistines. He could fight anything, but death was too much for him. He may have required a longer grave and a broader grave, but the tomb nevertheless was his terminus.

If, then, we are to be compelled to go out of this world, where are we to go? This body and soul must soon part. What shall be the destiny of the former I know-dust to dust. But what shall be the destiny of the latter? Shall it rise into the companionship of the white-robed, whose sins Christ has slain? or will it go down among the unbelieving, who fried to replied Miss Cutting, "to hear that you gain the world and save their souls, have resolved to remain a bachelor all but were swindled out of both? Blessed | your life."

be God, we have a champion! He is cribe to a slow liver. The body and so styled in the Bible. A Champion who has conquered death and hell, and he is ready to fight all our battles from the first to the last. "Who is this who, like Hercules, show the giant in | that cometh from Edom with dyed garments from Bozrah, mighty to save?" If we follow in the wake of that Champion death has no power as much as you can, and walk twice as | and the grave no victory. The worst man trusting in him shall have his dying pangs alleviated and his future

> Ilumined. In the light of this subject I want to call your attention to a fact which may not have been rightly considered by five men in all the world, and that is the fact that we must be brought into judgment for the employment of our physical organism. Shoulder, brain, hand, foot-we must answer in judgment for the use we have made of them. Have they been used for the elevation of society or for its depression? In proportion as our arm is strong and our step elastic will our account at last be intensified. Thousands of sermons are preached to invalids. I preach this morning to stout men and healthful women. We must give God an account for the right use of this physical organism.

The day approaches, and I see one who in this world was an invalid, and as she stands before the throng of God to answer she says, "I was sick all my days. . I had but very little strength, but I did as well as I could in being kind to those who were more sick and more suffering." And Christ will say, 'Well done, faithful servant."

And then a little child will stand before the throne, and she will say, 'On earth I had a curvature of the spine, and I was very weak, and I was very sick; but I used to gather flowers out of the wildwood and bring them to my sick mother, and she was comforted when she saw the sweet flowers out of the wildwood. I didn't do much, but I did something." And Christ shall say, as he takes her up in his arms and kisses her, "Well done, well done, faithful servant; enter thou into the joy of thy Lord." What, then, will be said to us-we to whom the Lord gave physical strength and continuous health?

I said to an old Scotch minister, who was one of the best friends I ever had. "Doctor, did you ever know Robert Pollock, the Scotch poet, who wrote 'The Course of Time?'" "Oh, yes," he replied, "I knew him well; I was his classmate." And then the doctor went on to tell me how that the writing of "The Course of Time" exhausted the health of Robert Pollock, and he expired. It seems as if no man could have such a glimpse of the day for which other days were made as Robert Pollock had, and long survive that glimpse. In the description of that day he says, among other things

Begin the woe, ye woods, and tell it to the doleful winds, And doleful winds wail to the howling

And howling hills mourn to the dis-

mal vales, And dismal vales sigh to the sorrow-

And sorrowing brooks weep to the weeping stream.

And weeping stream awake the groaning deep; Ye heavens, great archway of the uni-

verse, put sackcloth on; And ocean, robe thyself in garb c2 widowhood,

And gather all thy waves into a groan, and utter it, Long, loud, deep, piercing, dolorous,

immense. The occasion asks it, Nature dies, and angels come to lay her in her

grave. What Robert Pollock saw in prophetic dream, you and I will see in positive reality—the judgment! the judgment!

Degenerate Families.

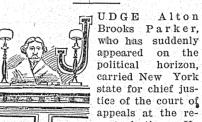
There is a paper on "The Causes of Poverty," by the late Francis A. Walker in the December Century. Gen. Walker says: The true predominant causes of pauperism, as of crime, have been strikingly painfully brought families. Three cases will suffice. The bers of this family, descendants of one with her descendants, have in seventyfive years cost the state, as criminals and paupers, a million and a quarter of dollars. The history of a Kentucky family founded in 1790 has been traced to include the character and conduct of a host of its members by descent or by sexual alliance. legitimate or illegitimate. Among these have been 121 prostitutes. Thieving and beggary have made up the lives of most of the remainder. Those who try to do something better for themselves prove unable to perform hard labor or to endure severe weather. They break down early and go easily to the poor house or the hospital. From Berlin we have the history of another criminal and pauper family, the descendants of two sisters who lived in the last century. The enumerated posterity number 834. Of these the history of 709 has been traced with tolerable accuracy. They embrace 106 illegit mate children, 164 prostitutes, 17 pimps, 142 beggars, 64 inmates of poorhouses and 76 who have been guilty of serious crimes. Still other instructive cases are given. in one of which nearly all the inmates of a county poorhouse have been found to be related in blood.

"Yes," said young Softleigh, "I like to see a smart, well-educated woman, but I wouldn't marry one who knew more than I did." "I'm very sorry,"

CHIEF JUDGE PARKER

A NEW STAR IN THE POLITICAL HEAVENS,

The New Yorker's Recent Success at the Polls Has Made Him a Person of National Prominence-A Protege of



state for chief justice of the court of appeals at the recent election. He is just on the other side of 47, and is a descendant of a fine old Massachusetts family. Judge Parker was educated in an academy and a normal school at Cortland, N. Y., where his parents resided. At 16 he began to teach, and thus earned the money that paid for his education in the law. In 1872 he was graduated from the Albany Law School and was admitted to the bar. He began to practice in Kingston, N Y., and was almost immediately made

clerk of the board of supervisors of Ulster county. In 1877 he was elected surrogate and was re-elected in 1883. He has been very active in politics. He has been a delegate to all of the state conventions for many years and also a delegate to the national convention of 1884. President Cleveland tendered him the place of first assistant postmaster general, but the judge preferred his law practice to the honor. He was appointed a state supreme judge by Governor Hill in 1885 and was elected for a full term

on the supreme bench at the very next



CHIEF JUSTICE PARKER. election. Judge Parker is said to be a goldite, and it was charged during the Greater New York campaign that he voted for John M. Palmer for president. He denied the allegation. For several years Parker has been known as "Dave Hill's man."

THE VANISHING SPIDER. One of the Curiosities of Animal Life

in Florida. A Florida paper describes a strange creature known as the "vanishing spider." On the borders of the Everglades you often see a large yellow spider. He swings a strong web from two pliant twigs on each side of a nath or clear space of ground and waits for his prey. The web is in the shape of a hammock and tapers at each end to a fine point, though quite broad in the middle. The bright color of the owner seems to mark him for destruction-he is clearly defined against the white sand or dead leaves, and you wonder what he would do for defense in case of attack. Approach quietly and he watches you intently. Now raise your hand suddenly, and he will disappear! While you are wondering what became of him you see first a blur where he had been, then several spiders, then you catch sight again of the yellow ball that you noticed at first. Repeat out in tracing the history of a few the performance, and the stage effect is renewed. The disappearance is abreader remembers the investigation of solute—there can be no doubt about it, the Jukes family in New York state. and the little magician trusts to it en-Mr. Dugdale estimated that the mem- trely for his protection. How is it done? As soon as he is threatened he worthless woman or intermarried starts the vibrations of his airy hammock. These become too rapid for the eye to follow, and he vanishes. As these become slower you see a blur, and then several spiders as the eve

-Philadelphia Times.

catches him at different points of his

swing, until finally he rests before you.

Hate the Noosrani. "The Moslem natives in Egypt," says the Pall Mall Gazette, "are accustomed to call all Christians Noosrani, and the term, which is evidently a corruption of Nazarene, therefore comes to mean Europeans. It happened one day, not many years ago, that an English officer was passing through a village in one of the more fanatical districts. think in the neighborhood of Belcas when a small mob collected and hooted him. As there appeared to be some possibility of their adding stones to their invectives, he stopped very coolly and, turning round, asked them why they were so annoyed at the sight of an Englishman. Directly they heard the word Englishman the stones were dropped and the faces assumed their normal gravity. They apologized profusely, saying that they did not know he was an Englishman; they had mistaken him for a Noosrani. The inci dent goes to show how completely the natives distinguish Englishmen from the other Europeans in Egypt-hov they like and trust the former as much as they dislike and distruct the latter.'

Perhaps It Is. She-"Why is it called the 'silver moon?" He-"Because it comes in halves and quarters, I suppose."

INTERESTING ITEMS.

It is estimated that there are 400,-000,000 guns in the world.

British postal correspondence with the United States last year was 41,-000,000 letters, etc., against only 65. 000,000 with Europe.

It may not be generally known that the original idea of the Chinaman's pigtail was that it formed a convenient handle by which, one day, he would be lifted up to paradise. This curious belief is still to be found among the natives.

The largest bog in Ireland is the bog of Allen, which stretches across the center of the island, east of the Shannon, and covers nearly 250,000 acres. Altogether there are nearly 3,000,000 acres of bog in Ireland-that is to say, about one-seventh of the total area of the country is bog.

Perhaps the most remarkable art exhibit in the world is that of the lunatics in the Ville-Evrar asylum in Paris. Most of the patients in the asylum have been painters or designers and the physicians in charge inaugurate a "salon" of their works. The effect on the minds of the patients is said to be excellent.

They have curiously different names for waves about the coast of Great Britain. The Peterhead folk call the large breakers that fall with a crash on the beach by the grim name of "Narrowa (Norway) carpenter." On the low Lincolnshire coast, as on the southwestern Atlantic fronting shore of these islands, the gradual long unbroken waves are known as "rollers." Among East Anglians a heavy surf tumbling in with an offshore wind or in a calm is called by the expressive name of a "slog," while a well-marked swell, rolling in independently of any blowing, is called a "home." "There is no wind," a Suffolk fisherman will say, 'but a nasty home on the beach." Suffolk men also speak of the "bark" of the surf, and a sea covered with foam is spoken of as "feather white." The foam itself is known as "spoon drift." So, in the vernacular, we have it: 'The sea was all a feather white with spoon drift."

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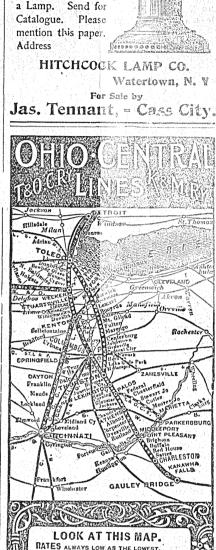
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This is the feast-time of the year, When hearts grow warm and home more dear;

When Autumn's crimson torch expires To flash again in winter fires; And they who tracked October's flight Through woods with gorgeous hues bedight,

In charmed circle sit and praise The goodly log's triumphant blaze.

This is the feast-time of the year When Plenty pours her wine of cheer, And even humble boards may spare To poorer poor a kindly share. While bursting barns and granaries

know A richer, fuller overflow, And they who dwell in golden ease Bless without toil, yet toil to please.

This is the feast-time of the year; The blessed Advent draweth near. Let rich and poor together break The bread of love for Christ's sweet

Against the time when rich and poor Must ope for Him a common door. Who comes a Guest, yet makes a feast, And hids the greatest and the least.

GOOD ST. NICHOLAS.

(By Mary Diefendorf.) As the merry Christmas tide approaches there is often present in our thoughts the vision of the guardian spirit of the season. At the time when often upon our lips, it is surely fitting thing ends happily after all.

that we should spend a few minutes in and of the traditions in which he holds so prominent a place. The birthplace of the subject of our sketch was the city of Patava, in Asia

Minor. There he was made abbot, and won renown by his religious devotion. Myra. At the latter place, in course of time he died, and was duly buried. In May, 1087, his remains were carried by some pious Italians to Bari, on the in the splendid church that bears his by Pels-nichol, the punishing spirit, or

Every year a pilgrimage is made to his shrine by the people for miles around. No one seeking food on that occasion is refused it by the priests, while shelter is given to as many as the edifice will hold.

On St. Nicholas Day, Dec. 6, there is a great celebration. Early in the morning the sailors, who, as well as maidens and children, claim to be a little variety and added zest to the under the peculiar protection of the Christmas merriment. Christmas then, saint, take his image from the priests as now, was, above all, a joyous seaand parade with it through the town. | son. Then, as now, it was in the rein-Then they sail away with it, returning | deer steeds that the children delighted, and bringing it back at nightfall amid | and theirthe general illumination of the city.

Now, this same pious bishop, who beams so faintly upon our vision through the vistas of the past, veiled in a "dim, religious light," is to us of the present day, perhaps, the most beloved saint on the calendar. Moreover, to all Americans he should be peculiarly dear, and invested with great historic interest as the guardian

genius of our metropolis. In that wonderful book, "Knickerbocker's History of New York," that work so quaint in humor and rich in the perpetuation of old traditions, we find many edifying references to our hero. The Dutch ship, the Goede Vrouw, so runs the story, came over from Holland three or four years after the return of Hudson, bringing settlers for the new world, who located at Communipaw, At the bow of the goodly vessel stood an image of St. Nicholas, smoking a long-stemmed pipe and wearing a broad-brimmed hat. To his guiding care all attributed their prospercus voyage. In due time a prophet among them dreamed a dream, which was that St. Nicholas appeared and directed him to seek another abiding place. Thereupon Heer Van Kortland, the dreamer, and selected band of men went in search of another habitation, and were stranded on Manhattan island. There, after regaling themselves on oysters, they rested a little time. Meanwhile the dreamer dreamed again. Again St. Nicholas appeared. and sitting down at the foot of a tree, smoked his pipe. And as the smoke rose, it spread over a vast extent of territory, and resolved itself into many peculiar shapes, as of spires and steeples, after which it finally cleared "And when St. Nicholas had smoked his pipe, he twisted it in his hatband, and laying his finger beside his nose, gave the astonished Van Kortland a very significant look; then mounting his wagon, he returned over the tree-tops and disappeared.

sleep greatly instructed; and he roused to obtain holly and mistletoe, green his companions and related to them of some other variety should be prohis dream and interpreted it that it cured. All-over greens, such as pine was the will of St. Nicholas that they and cedar, can be utilized, and bittershould settle down and build a city here." That spot was Bowling Green. ranged with these can be made into Now, when these voyagers had returned to their homes and related this themums are yet blooming, they add incident, all "the people lifted up their | greatly to the beauty of the table; the voices and blessed the good St. Nicho-

After these thrifty folk had become settled in their new abode, they constructed a fort, and within the fort they built the first church erected in the future city of New York. It was made of stone, and named after St. Nicholas, who, as Irving tells us, immediately adopted New Amsterdam as his special charge, and became its tutelar guardian.

The people of New Amsterdam swore by St. Nicholas when they had any swearing to do. They blessed him | Ruth Ashmore, in advising girls as to when they were happy, thanked him | their Christmas-giving; "and vou when they were favored, committed know her well enough to leave to her their voyaging and absent friends to the choice of the gift, then send her his guiding and protecting care, went the money that she may spend it for to the field of war singing his great berself. But make this money look song and fought their conflicts shouting, "St. Nicholas and the Manhattoes," as their battle cry.

Interesting as the history of the and interwoven as his memory tle purse."

must ever be with the traditions of the city of which he afterward became the tutelary saint, it is not of either of these manifestations that the children like best to think. It is as master of the ceremonies of Christmastide that he appears enveloped in

the most fascinating glamor.

Bayard Taylor tells us that on one occasion, when he was in Germany, about December 1, a fair was held in the town he was visiting, at which fair many toys were exhibited, and St. Nicholas, in counterfeit presentment, was everywhere to be seen. On many of the little booths were also "bundles of rods with gilded bands." designed for the punishment of naughty children. On St. Nicholas Eve, December 5, the family with which he was staying was visited by a gentleman wearing a "mask, fur robe, and long, tapering cap," and "carrying a sack, a bunch of rods and a broom." He threw the contents of the sack upon were devouring the nuts and candies, some of the children had been taught to say, "I thank you, Herr Nicholas."

In Germany, in days gone by, all presents were put in charge of Herr Nicholas, called, in Northern Germany, Knecht Rupert, who talked with each child about his conduct for the past year. If he had been naughty, he left a rod, recommending to the parents its frequent use. As the custom is still followed in some of the German villages, we rejoice to know that the "night before Christmas" a beautiful the name of St. Nicholas, or the more | lady generally appears, who pardons familiar nickname, Santa Claus, is so the faults of the culprit. So every-

In America, the descendants of the the study of that well-beloved saint, old German and Dutch settlers have some undefined notions of the Pelsnichol floating through their brains. In the old days, they are told, Pelsnichol (Nicholas of the furs), dressed in a buffalo robe, and with horns and tail, would pass from house to house, He afterward became Archbishop of talked gruffly to the children, who would flee for refuge to their mother and cluster round her skirts.

In some such families the children still hang up their stockings in the be-Adriatic coast. There they now rest lief that they will be filled with rods with goodies by Kriss-Kringle (Christkindlen) the Christ-child.

It is, then, a two-fold role that our nero has been called upon to fill at Christmas-that of Pels-nichol, the evenger, and that of St. Nicholas, the peneficent giver. The former phase of his office, now fast passing into obscurity, was but a subordinate one, even in the days gone by. It but gave

"Little old driver, so lively and quick, I knew in a moment it must be St.

"He was chubby and plump; a right And I laughed when I saw him in spite of myself."

In the days of Peter Stuyvesantmost obstinate and best beloved of the Dutch governors—all the holidays, including St. Nicholas Eve, were celebrated with especial glee, while early in the history of New Amsterdam St. Nicholas, who once used to ride gayly | along the tree-tops, dropping presents down the chimney at any time of year, changed his habits in that regard, and there "was instituted that pious ceremony, still religiously observed in all our ancient families of the right breed, of hanging up a stocking in the chimney on St. Nicholas Eve, which stocking is always found in the morning miraculously filled; for the good St. Nicholas has ever been a great giver of gifts, particularly to children."

Christmas Decorations. The use of holly and mistletoe, the plants sacred to Christmas, is now very general, and as they are abundant in our markets, as well as cheap, every household may be made bright with them. In parlors and sitting rooms, wreaths, crowns and festoons can be arranged over mantels and windows, as well as hung from lamps and over pic-

tures.

For the Christmas dinner-table, a large bowl of holly leaves with the scarlet and white berries, makes a beautiful center piece; while tiny bunches of holly laid at each plate brighten the table wonderfully. Cakes may be ornamented with candy designs of holly, while ices may be molded and colored in the same style, "And Van Kortland awoke from his If in remote localities it is not possible sweet and Indian arrow berries ar beautiful decorations. When chrysanbright yellow and dark crimson are particularly appropriate for the Christ-

mas dinner table. In arranging the table, the cakes, bonbons, nuts and fruits may be placed on it at the beginning, and will give it a festive appearance, rendering very little additional decoration necessary

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TIME CUSTOMS.

By Winona Butler.

There is no brighter fact in history than Christmas. The golden thread of its influence can be traced through nearly nineteen centuries. On the first Christmas morning the angels sang: "Peace on earth, good will to men." The glad refrain has been repeated each Christmas season in every Christian land, though the character of the music varies greatly.

Our ancestors were in the habit of forming companies which went from house to house, singing Christmas carols in the streets. These beautiful carols would break the stillness of the winter night or early Christmas morning, making a most delightful beginning to the merry day.

But these holy jubilees had as rivals the mingling instruments of those the table, and, while the recipients wandering spirits of harmony-the "Waits." One author writes: "Many "gave them many sharp raps over the and many a time have we been fingers." He remarks further that awakened by the melody of the Waits, and have lain and listened to their wild music, its solemn swells and 'dying falls,' kept musical by the distance and made holy by the time, till we could have fancied that the morning stars were again singing as of old they 'sang together for joy,' and that the sounds of their far anthem came floating to the earth."

The German children probably believe more firmly in Kriss Kringle, or Santa Claus, than do the children of any other nation. Germany is the birthplace of Kriss Kringle, and the wonderland of fable and poetry. German children are taught to love the Christ-child. In many parts of the country it is the custom, on the morning before Christmas, to let a figure representing the Christ-child wave past the window of the room where the little ones sleep. Half awake only, in the gray of the morning they see this little child-figure flit dimly past, and they go to sleep again in the blissful consciousness that the Christ-child has not forgotten them, and that they will have an abundance of presents around

the tree in the evening. A beautiful custom in Norway and the roofs of houses, on fences and dish:

Alone on New Ycar's night,

ing sleet.

Raises a feeble cry

chiming loud,

crowd

pass;

Barefoot and wet with the blind-

Pale 'neath the red lamplight,

A little match girl through the

it went out, it was considered a sign of

The Christmas dinner was the cen tral feature of all the gay festivities, The table was literally loaded with good cheer. The boar's head held the place of honor and was a lordly affair, brought in by the butler, attended by a servant on either side with a large wax light. The head was carried on a silver dish, the tusks piercing brightred apples, while between them an orange was laid, the whole graced with an abundance of sauce. When this, "the rarest dish in all the land," was placed at the head of the table, one of the company sang a carol suited to the great occasion.

The Christmas peacocks were also gorgeous, the bird being flayed, roasted and then sewed up again in all the splendor of its brilliant feathers, a piece of cotton saturated with spirits being placed within the gilded beak to burn while the carver was at work. Still more curious was the ancient peacock pie, the bird being covered by the crust, save that on one side appeared his plumed crest, while from the other side protruded the gorgeous, spreading tail.

Mince pies were called Christmas or December pies, as the old rhyme

"Treason's in a December pie And death within the pot." They date back to 1596.

The classical plum pudding must be added to the list of good things, though, sad to relate, it was really plum porridge, and not pudding, as we have always believed. An old poem says-

'And those that hardly all the year Had bread to eat or clothes to wear. Will have both clothes and dainty fare. And all the day be merry."

The leader of all the merry-making was called the Lord of Misrule or Abbott of Unreason. The wardrobes at halls and manor houses were often laid under contribution to furnish fantastic disguises.

Snap Dragon was one of the favorite sports. Raisins were placed in a large shallow dish and brandy poured over the fruit and ignited. The lights in the room were extinguished, and in Sweden is the Christmas feeding of the weird glare the players attempted birds. Bunches of oats are placed on to pick the raisins out of the flaming

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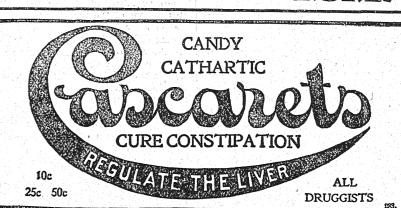
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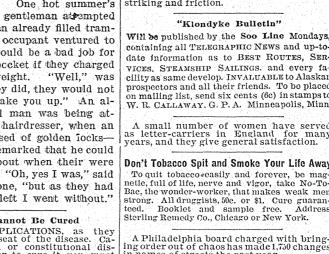
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Alone, alone in the crowded street, | Hungry and ragged and blue with cold-The wind blows keen and loud-

Her frozen fingers can scarely hold The matches to the crowd. And still, as faster falls the sleet. More piteous grows the cry While the New Year bells are chiming sweet,

While the New Year bells are "Oh, will you-will you buy?" "Matches! Oh, will you buy?" No more alone in the moonrise Gay, bright-eyed, smiling children With face so wan and white;

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BY SHIRLEY WYNNE.

They laugh and sing and dance The little match girl has gone and run-They all have happy homes; alas! But this heroine has none! She cowers on a doorstep nigh

Alone, alone in the busy street While the New Year bells are chiming sweet. Still pleading, "Will you buy?" nadio in the contraction of the

trees. Cartloads of sheaves are brought into town for this purpose, and both rich and poor buy and place them everywhere. The sentiment is that a man must be very poor indeed if he cannot spare a farthing to feed the little birds on Christmas day. In many of the valleys and mountain dales of the countries watch is kept during the whole of the night, and all are merry; candles are kept burning at the win-

dows, and the people flock to church at four o'clock in the morning, each carrying a torch. the service, everyone hurries from church, either on foot or in sleighs, for there is an old saying that he who gets home first will have his crop first harvested. At this holiday season the peasants dance on straw, and the peasant girls throw straws at the timbered roof of the hall, and for every one that sticks in a crack a lover will come

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ket place till she is ashamed of her

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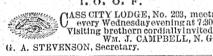
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All the Chit-Chat From the Country Mound About Briefly Wold Wor Eusy Readers.

SHABBONA

Last week's correspondence. Miss Jennie Mitchell has returned

to Bay City. It is not well to stay too late Sunday

nights. Is it, boys? Miss Grace Gotham is slowly recov ering, but we are sorry to hear she is still under the doctor's care.

Some our young people attended church at Wickware Sunday evening. "Far away hills are always green." There will be a play entitled, "The

Crowning of the Sunday School Angel," Christmas eve at the M. E. Church. Mrs. Spencer and son, Joshua, left for Evart this week where they expect to make their home for the future. They were accompanied by Archie Spears.

The object lesson given by Miss Norton on "Cleansing," Sunday even-ing was both interesting and instruct-ive. She took her departure for home on Monday morning.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. A Druggists refund the money if fails to Cure 25c.

WEST GRANT.

Mrs. S. O. Sharrard is still numberd with the sick.

A. E. McVicar, of Bay City, visits elatives in town at present. Mr. and Mrs. Jno. McVicar visited friends in Sheridan Friday.

R. E. Mathews is pushing his new house to completion this week. James Maharg and family moved into their new house last week.

Quite a number of our townspeople did business in Cass City Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Younglove, of Bad Axe. visited friends in this burg two days

All our G. A. R and Ladies of the G. A. R. were represented in Gagetown on Saturday. Robt. McKenzie, of Essexville, did

business and visited friends in town the fore part of the week. Wm. McCauley had the misfortune of losing a valuable cow last week

caused by eating ruta bagas. Mrs. R. E. Mathews, formerly of this place, who has been visiting with parents in Capac for some time, returned Monday and will make her future

nome here. Prof. Chas. Ricker and pupils of Dist. No. 1, Grant, are making preparations for a grand entertainment and Christmas tree the eve of the 25th. All are invited.

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KELLENGTON.

Last week's correspondence . O. Spaulding, of Caro, was a caller here Monday.

The weather for several days past has been wintry. The fall has gone and the winter has begun vigorously.

Fred Smith returned home from Owosso Monday night. Peter Molonzo, of Fairgrove, visited

friends here over Sunday. Fowler Smith is working for C. Mc Dermon lumbering at present.

C. V. Gould has moved into the house just west of S. H. Gould's. Miss Mabel Wickware is working for Mrs. H. Bailey during her illness. James Molonzo went home to Fairgrove Saturday returning Sunday.

C. A. Fish took a load of hogs to Ragetown last Saturday for T. Turner. J. C. Drehmer went to Cass City last Saturday with a load of lambs for buyers there.

Dave McAvoy, of Almer, now occupies the house and barn lately vacated by C. V. Gould.

James Odell has gone to Genessee County where he is visiting with relatives for a time.

Frank Gould and C. Wickware, who went some time ago up north hunting, returned last Wednesday.

Frank Elliott, who went to Detroit to work last September, returned to his father's and will remain indefinite-

Mrs. S. H. Gould has been under the doctor's care for some time with a badly swollen throat. No relief is

Wesley, May and Fred Smith started last week for a visit with friends and relatives south and west for an in-

H. G. Comstock contemplates going ere long to Pt. Huron to see his sister, Miss Euphemia Comstock, and work in

a butcher shop. Mrs. H. A. Bailey has been confined to her home for several days past by sickness. Dr. G. W. Graves, of Caro,

is the attending physician. The winter term of school for all of the several districts of Ellington are progressing at present under the instruction of able teachers.

Mrs. Bert Strickland, from east of Cass City, has been visiting with Mr. and Mrs. C. Oesterle and Mr. and Mrs. W. Houghton since last Wednesday. The A.O.O.G. lodge of Ellington, had a good supper last Friday night at the home of C. W. Campbell. A large

number was present and the time passed off pleasantly, too. The tax roll is in the hands of also any other day that may be convenient to tax payers except Saturday when he will be at Lazelle Bros., in Caro, to receive taxes during Decem-

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KINGSTON.

Lots of mud and wet weather these

days. L. J. Miller returned from Gaylord Friday noon. J. Buffum was in Saginaw Thurs

day on business. N. H. Burns has a brick side walk in front of his store.

Wm. Hamilton visited Saginaw the first of the week. Dr. Geo. Bates expects to start Thurs day for the New England States to visit

A branch of the Bankers' Preferred Life Asrurance Co., has been established at Kingston. The Ladies' Aid Society of the Baptist church meets with Mrs. Hildie for

friends

dinner Wednesday. Monday night's Detroit Journal states that Helen Hutchinson, of Kingston, Mich, had been granted a widow's pen sion of \$8 per month.

The Noble House at this point has peen sold to Dr. George R. Johnson, of Detroit, who expects to take possesion in the near future and will endea vor to make a first class house of it.

Z. Bartholomew attended the funeral of his brother, Henry, at Thomas last week. Deceased was for a long time proprietor of the National hotel, at Thomas, but his death occured at Chicago, where he was living with a son. He was sixty-five years of age,

There can be no pleasure nor happiness for persons whose liver or kidneys are unhealthy. They are weak, sick and ir-ritable, and find it burdensome to perform work of any kind. What they need is thorough treatment with J. H. Mc-Lean's Liver and Kidney Balm. This is thorough treatment with J. H. Mc-Lean's Liver and Kidney Balm. This remedy is recognized by many of the best medical authorities as without a peer for the cure of diseases of the kid.

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ELLELEON.

R. Wolston, of Bad Axe, was in town between trains on Friday.

Henry Schultz was in the county eat on business Saturday.

Frank Sinclair, of Port Austin, was n town Friday morning between trains. Geo. Henny and wife, of Popple, called on friends south of town Thurs-

lay last. Mr. Cole, from near Sebewaing, is hulling clover for a number of farmers south of here,

Geo. Hagen, with a large upright oress, is putting up hay in large bunlles for the farmers in this vicinity. About twenty-five from here took in the cheap excursion to Saginaw, Tuesday of last week, and report the play

as being grand. James Clark and Joseph Black, of Sheridan township, were the guests of throat, and lungs, diseases of women Mrs. Wm. Whalen, the former's sister, and the special diseases of men. part of last week.

election-Monday of last week. Dr. McColl was honored with the presi-Mrs. Kasserman, one mile north of

attendance was very large. Rev. W. Berge officiated. John Walker is contemplating mov ing to Pigeon in the near future, where he will enter the draying business for a change from farming. Success to you, Jack, but we predict a change again shortly.

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DEFORED L. W. Vorhes has a hen house. Henry Leech is siding his house. Geo. O'Rourke doctors a sick horse

Leonard Patch has gone to keeping Elmer Lewis is building F. Spencer's

lacksmith shop. Deford was a lively potato market for the past week. The Advent preacher has gone to

abor near Fairgrove. D. Valentine has returned from his isit in Oaklaud county. We notice considerable building go

ng on at Novesta Corners. Elisha Allen's horse spoken of last week as sick is dead and buried. Oscar Valentine, the writer's grand-

son, suffers from an accidental burn. Mrs. Spencor, of Lapeer county, for merly Widow Lewis, visits friends here.

The county drain commissioner was with us last week looking over drains in this locality. Elisha Allen has purchased a new

norse from Wm. Bently to replace the one that recently died. Last Wednesday evening, the 8th inst, a social was held at Jesse Cooper's for the benefit of Charles

Gooden. Thirteen dollars were raised by those present. Liberty is one of the grandest words in the English language. And he that really desires Liberty will sacrifice everything but honor to obtain it. The words of Baralome Maso, Cuba's new President, "Independence or Death' and Patrick Henry's "Liberty or Death' should be mottos that grace e ery

American home. The Marlette Leader tells how one of Novestaites got a trifle elevated while at the burg. Now the Leader shouldn't the treasurer, Leroy George, who will give away the deadly effects of their receive taxes every Friday at his home corn juice in that way. They should corn juice in that way. They should keep it as shady as possible for the benefit of the town. Many consider it dangerous at present to pass through the hamlet and get a whiff of the average burger's breath.

> When a patient who is not too ill to be moved grows tired of his bred, wrap him warmly and put him in a hammock. The body will be supported but not wearied, and the sleep will be more

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V. H. Gunsell has been sick for the past week

D. A. Freeman, of Cass City, was in town Saturday. A. B. Markham, of Mayville, was in

town on Monday. F. O. Watrous visited his mother at Flint over Sunday.

S. S. Sutherland, of Bay City, visited relatives in town Sunday.

Dr. P. J. Livingston was at Ann Arbor the fore part of the week. L. A. Phelps left Monday night for Detroit with a car of produce.

There was a large audience Friday evening to hear Robert Burdette. Newton Atwood returned on Friday from an extensive tour in the west. G. W. Brown and M. Dubois, of Wilmot, were here on business Monday. Dr. Barlow gave another of his lectures to the G. A. R. on Wednesday

evening. Samuel Buffingstone left for Ann Arbor Tuesday, to receive medical

treatment. Miss Alice Theobald, who has been visiting in town for the past week, re-turned to her home in Bay City Mon-

Roy Lester returned Saturday from Pontiac, where he has been at work for the past two months.

Since the first of the month, G. E. Owen, of this place, has bought 356 rabbits. This is proof that some of the boys have good luck.

Following is a list of officers of the Caro W. R. C. for '98:—Pres., Kitt P. Randall; Sen. Vice., Julia E. Stevens; The following officers were elected

Monday evening for the M. E. Sunday School for '98: Supt., A. Moreland; 1st asst, Roy Lester; 2nd asst., Floria Lesia; sec'y, Lillian Imerson; treas., Mrs. Geo. Shadley; librarian, Henry Herman; chorister, Floria Lesia; custodian of supplies, Otto Clough; organist, Mabel Calabach; missionary treas., Ethel Doying.

The British Medical Institute

It affords us much pleasure to announce that the British Medical Institute has b. come a permaneut fixture in aginaw and that Dr. T. H. Goodman who has made so many friends in this vicinity has been promoted to the position of Chief Consulting physician.
Dr. Goodman has had thirty years of

experience in the practice of medicine, a graduate of the Electric Medical College of Cincinnati, Ohio, class of s867, is an honest, conscientious and tkiliful specialist. His specialty is the he treatment of all chronic, nervous and special diseases of both sexes, especially the catarrhal affections of the nose,

From now until further notice th Quite an interesting time was had by door will give free treatment every the townspeople the evening of the wek-day morning to the deserving poor from 8 to 10 o'clock, at his office No. 106 St. Washington Ave. Saginaw, and to those able to pay, his charges are exceedingy reasonable.

town, died very suddenly on Thursday last and was buried on Sunday. The on Sondays. No better opportunity has ever been afforded the citizens of this country to avail themselves of the ser vices of an honest and skillful physi

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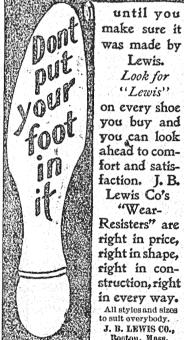
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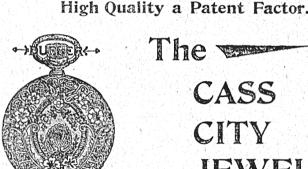
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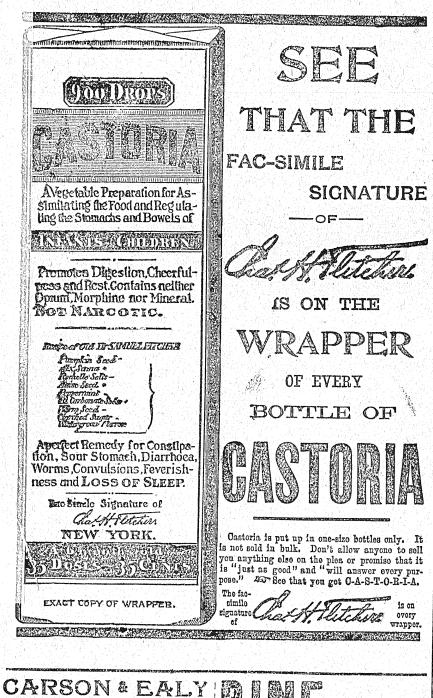
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Farmers commenced plowing Friday H. A. Gifford returned from Flint

Money to loan on real estate on favorable terms at the Cass City Bank. 12.9

Services here in the Catholic Church Purdy & Son have had their bank House Painting

We have huntsmen and dogs enough to form a good gun club.

We had a little experience with bad roads Sunday and Monday. Charles Maynard has bought the Leonard building on State St. Loyd McGinn has been nursing

very sore throat the past week. H. A. Gifford has the real G. O. P. animal on exhibition in his store win-

H. A. Gifford has purchased the Hennesey tract of land south of the

Miss Edith Farrar is making her home with her sister, Mrs. J. L. Purdy, The trustees of the M. P. Church

Our Farmer's Club held its first meeting Thursday, since it adjourned over the busy season.

Amasa Coon has leased the south half of the Gage block lately vacated by L. C. Purdy & Co. were in the city of Flint. The ladies of Grace Church will have their bazaar opened up by Friday or Saturday of this week in the Gage

Purdy & Son opened up their bank here six years ago last Monday and they have reason to be proud of their

D. Quant and wife and Martin Collin and wife, of Canboro, were the guests of R. S. Brown and family

Geo. Simmons was called to Marlette to see his mother, who had a paralytic stroke while visiting her daughter, Mrs. L. A. Cooley. Our Grand Army boys have had the kitchen to their post rooms sealed up, a hall and a pantry put in and are now prepared to dish up oyster and other

Our village has had to secure a small loan to tide them over till May next which is the first and only money they have borrowed since the village was

incorporated. Our K. O. T. M. tent has made arrangements with Cal Foster and Mabel Glenn, of Bad Axe, to give one of their wonderful exhibitions at Echo Hall next Monday evening, Dec. 20th. John H. Hare, of Rescue, has an almanac that is 101 years old and was issued by "Old Richard" of Albany, N. Y. Mr. Hare has a ½ penny which was minted by the U. S. government in 1828. John Jay was then govenor of The Debate.

John Decker was in town Wednes Argument of John McCracken, of Deford. Affirmative of the question, Resolved that the Orange Institution Work has begun on the M. E. church in United States is unAmerican, etc .-Ed. Ferrils' brother from Montana is Before the Colonies became a nation

WILDER.

ord Saturday.

has been attending school.

f Mrs. Birtch.

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UBLY,

Bert Sleeper has been in town sev-

The cold snap has reached us. Mer-

Nothing is of more importance to growing youth than the Xmas excite-

little push the movement would suc-

when each settlement was a common-wealth of itself, there was but one Catholic colony—the colony of Mary-land. And that most reliable of his-Wm, McArthur returned from Gay-Geo. Brown and John Minnis were n Cass City Friday. John Stagg was in Gagetown last the western continent And I would not be western. torians, Bancroft, informs us that it

And I would ask my opponent to And I would ask my opponent to remember in fairness the breadth of fairness that thrived among the people and that when the first Presbyterian preacher, the Rev. Francis Doughty, of New York, was forced to fly from Protestant persecution that he found protection in Roman Catholic Maryland. It was to this colony that the oppresed of all sections for opinion's sake Mrs. Dr. Simenton, of Marlette, is visiting her parents here,
Mrs. R. B. Clark went to Gaylord Friday to visit her daughter. Miss Maud Pine, of Kingston, was he guest of Miss Killens over Sunday. Geo. Freeman, of Cass City, built a chimney on the P. O. & N. depot here Thursday. at was to this colony that the oppres-ed of all sections for opinion's sake fled and found refuge, only to be re-paid in after years by Protestant per-secution, every Catholic being put out of office and their places filled with

Miss Nora Moshier returned home from Fenton last Tuesday where she Ned Stewart, a brother railroad man Protestants. Catholics were denied the right to came home Tuesday with a broken hand caused by coupling cars. worship in public and that too by the order of William Prince of Orange,— Miss Ethel Jeffrey was waiting on customers in T. S. Berman's store here Saturday instead of at Kingston. who, when in power committed

very acts for which he considered King James should forfeit a throne.

When the nation was born into exstence it may be said that a new era had opened in the world's history. The people were made the governing power

of themselves. The declaration was that all men were born free and equal. Freedom of choice religiously and politically, and these benign institution were to be upheld by the deep seated love of country. Mrs. Steele, widow of the Rev. Steele, ate of Elkton, is yisiting at the home held by the deep seated love of country. If I cultivate zeal for this glorious land in my own breast, and in my own breast only I have come far short of my duty. I must imbue my neighbor with the same patriotic spirit that we may labor for the same cause and strive for the same purpose, and how shall I do it? Can it he done by supposeing The Maccabees had a large addition to their lodge Monday night, seventeen being added in a body. chants unconsciously smile as trade revives under this stimulant.

do it? Can it be done by antagonizing the religion in which he was born and branding with infamy the belief of his growing youth than the Xmas excite— ment Every urchin seems to believe that Santa was made especially for as a good citizen? No, indeed; it cannot be.

There is some talk of an Oddfellow's lodge here. This society is very pepular among our townsfolk and with a very When a child feels as a member of the family that it is less favored than its brothers and sisters, love of home ceases, and when love departs from the human heart an evil spirit enters in. Grain has been coming steadily into town this week. Madill & Elber, are rushing their pea mill night and day 'Tis unwise to expect an equality of honor for a land that does not give an and our oatmeal mill seems almost to have solved the secret of perpetual equality to rights also.

have solved the secret of perpetual motion.

Last week a Lady Forester lodge was instituted here under very fair circumstances. A good working beginning is better than a rush of frothy Our constitution invites men of all ginning is better than a rush of frothy material which disappears with the first wind. Although the lodge is small—twenty-two members—its ma-

between two classes that have estranged each other by unkindness.

Both ladies and gentlemen enjoyed a helpful evening in mind and body. We, as a nation, the proud citizens of a Republic, are the most favored people in the civilized world. The very humblest of our citizens in a sense may be a statesman and a diplomat, by using his influence to allay animosities perpetuates liberty and animate patriot ism. And let it be remembered as the influence of past generations makes their impress upon us of to-day, so will our deeds weigh for good or evil on the generation to come. Men of different make up view the same sub-

ect in different lights, but as for me must stand by my convictions, by the principles laid down by the wise founders of the nation and socially or politically know neither Agnostic or He brew, Protestant or Catholic. I cannot claim this as my native but am proud to claim it as my adopted,

country—I am an American in heart and soul. In my breast there is no roots of bitterness toword Catholic or reformer. Men of both faiths fought side by side for the emancipation of our land. I accept the language of our constitution literally—"That no religious test shall ever be required of any man." To me 'tis the language of departed heroes, the voice of patriotic wisdom, speaking from the grave, ad-

monishing us that a Constitution written on paper is worthless, unless it i also wrilten in the hearts of the people. met Monday and fixed up some unwords to a nation based on princiles like ours? One sentiment equal rights, love of liberty, equal liberty to all must cement together the affections of our people to ensure the peace and tranquility of the nation. And in my humbic opinion he that holds any different views is a danger and a menace to a free government.

> Court plasters must never be applied to a bruised wound.

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At this time of the year a cold is very easily contracted and no let to run its course without the aid of some reliable cough medicine is liable to result in that dread disease, pneumonia. We know of no better remedy to cure a cough or cold thank Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. We have used it quite extensively and it has always given entire satisfaction.

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Uncle Sam's Improvements.

Among the estimates of expenditures sent to congress by Secretary of the Treasury Gage are the following for harbor improvements in Michigan: Cheboygan, \$10,000; Frankfort, \$65,000; Grand Haven, \$30,000; Grand Marais, \$100,000; Marquette, \$100,000; Monroe, \$11,000; Muskegon, \$110,000; Pentwater, \$40,000; Petoskey, \$55,000; Portage lake, \$160,000; Presque Isle point, Marquette, \$30,000; St. Joseph, \$100,-000; Sand Beach, \$250,000; Saugatuck, \$10,000; South Haven, \$45,000; White lake, \$48,000; Menominee, \$5,500.

For lights, ranges, channel improvements, etc., the following amounts are asked: For laundry and new wing to the Detroit Marine hospital, \$13,000; light and fog signal, Pointe Aux Barques, \$32,000; Escanaba light, \$5,000; Portage lake light, \$4,500; lighthouse depot, upper end Lake Michigan, \$15,-000; tender ninth lighthouse district, \$85,000; Grassy Island range, \$5,000; Grosse Isle light, north channel, \$3,500; Grosse Isle light, south channel, \$5,000; 20-foot channel light, Lake St. Clair, \$20,000; Cheboygan river light, \$1,750; Middle Island light, Lake Huron, \$25,-.000; Mud Lake light, Soo river, \$3,500; Soo river range, \$1,000; Crisp's Point light, Lake Superior, \$18,-000; Rock of Ages, Isle Royale, light, \$50,000; Eagle River light, \$20,000; lightship Mackinae straits, \$15,000; Martin's reef, \$15,000; lighthouse depot at Soo, \$15,000; Portage lake canal, \$450,000; Belle river, \$10,000; mouth Black river, \$10,000; Black river, \$32,-000: Detroit river, \$91,257; Grand river, \$250,000; Hay Lake channel, \$494,115; Kalamazoo river, \$145,000; Pine river, \$5,560; Saginaw river, \$20,000; St. Joe river, \$1,000; Sebewaing river, \$10,000; Menomines river, \$5,000.

Wheat Sown Late is in Bad Condition.

The December crop report says: The average condition of wheat in the state is 88 per cent of condition in average vears. The figures for the southern counties are 84, central 91, northern 101. From the statements of correspondents in the southern counties it is clear that the fields in that section are unusually spotted, the plant has made small growth and does not cover the ground as in average years. Wheat sowed early on thoroughly cultivated ground is in nearly average condition. But a large percentage of Michigan wheat was sowed late, on ground that it was impossible to properly fit owing to its extremely dry condition. The warm, wet weather that prevailed in the early part of November was exceptionably favorable and of marked benefit, but it was then too late for wheat to make its usual fall growth. Fifty-one correspondents report hog cholera, 43 being from southern counties.

A Blow at Sunday Theaters.

In the circuit court at Grand Rapids Judge Grove took a fall out of the Sunday theater people. It was in the case of C. Sumner Burroughs, manager of the Grand opera house, convicted in the police court of violating the law by running his theater on Sunday night. The defense contended that as they gave a portion of the receipts to charity, they were exempt from prosecution under the law. After hearing the testimony Judge Grove took the case away from the jury, said that the charity claim was simply a bold attempt to evade the law, and he ordered a verdict of guilty. A notice of appeal was at once given and the case will be carried to the supreme court immediately.

The Tunnel Co. Responsible.

The coroner's inquest on the terrible catastrophe in the St. Clair tunnel at Port Huron, whereby Engineer Courtney, Conductor Dunn and Brakeman Dalton, of a tunnel train erew, lost their lives, and Brakeman Potter and Fireman Duncan sustained shattered minds, the latter's condition being precarious, resulted in a verdict holding the Tunnel Co. responsible for the awful results of the accident and censur ing the authorities of the company for the weight of the train, and also for the long delay in rescuing the unfortunates, and recommends that some means should be provided whereby an alarm can be given if anything goes wrong in the tunnel.

A Costly Fire, and One Life Lost. The Owosso Casket works, owned by

L. E. Woodward, at Owosso, the second largest factory in the country, has burned, entailing a loss of \$60,000; insurance \$30,000. Frank Wilcox. aged 27, employed as night watchman, was pense. found on the first floor, burned to death, with a fire extinguisher in his hands. He leaves a widowed mother in Detroit. The fire is supposed to have been of spontaneous origin, and started in the finishing room. The plant will be rebuilt at once.

First Beet Sugar Factory in the State. The first beet sugar company in the state has been organized at Bay City. Of the capital stock of \$300,000 over \$200,000 has been subscribed and the remainder will be obtained by additional subscriptions and by the issue of bonds. It is proposed to have a factory ready for the next crop. Farmers are preparing to raise beets in Saginaw, Midland, Bay, Lapeer, Arenac. Shiawassee, Huron, Gratiot and Isabella counties.

Large quantities of counterfeit nick els are circulating at Charlotte.

MICHIGAN NEWS ITEMS.

Experts are examining the books of the Bay county treasurer.

Saginaw is talking of building a big auditorium to cost \$30,000.

Ypsilanti authorities have closed all nickel-in-the-slot machines.

Charles Ewald, a farmer near Daggett, fell under a car and was killed. It cost John Bethune, of Port Huron, \$50 for selling liquor without a license. Lewis Ward's back was broken by being run into by a street car at Benton Harbor.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Lord celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of their marriage at Grass Lake.

Nickel Plate is the name of a new postoffice in Ionia county with Julia A.

Jones as postmaster. The discovery of a large bed of pure shell marl has caused considerable excitement about St. Ignace.

It is said that tax titles on three Lansing churches have been gobbled up by sharks for unpaid taxes. Five Marquette saloonkeepers were

fined \$50 each for selling out of legal nours, and five more await trial. John Dasef, the clerk of Montcalm county, issued a license to himself to

wed Miss Mary Jones, of Greenville. New Michigan postmasters: At Canton, Wayne county, Wm. A. Moore; Lake Ann, Benzie county, Samuel S. Burnett.

nunicipal ordinances requiring house to house peddlers to pay a license are

The supreme court has decided that on fire is a mystery. minors cannot be employed as bartenders in saloons, even if they are sons of the proprietors.

Wm. Eames, the Grand Blane pioneer month, and who has been very sick, is now convalescent.

Miss Sarah Reeves ran up Dr. Hull's with apoplexy as a result, and she died in a few moments. Miss Jennie Knapp, a school teacher.

kill herself with carbolic acid on account of a love affair. Minden City school teachers visited

consequence the schools are closed and all public meetings suspended.

A contract has been signed by R. & W. E. Swisher, of Columbus, O., for the services of 190 convicts in Marquette prison to manufacture eigars. Gov. Pingree has granted Col. H. M. Loud, aide-de-camp on his staff, a leave of absence for four months. Col. Loud is about to start on a tour around the world.

Carl Schroeder, aged 54, a farmer of Zilwaukee, threshed some grain with an old-fashioned flail and the unusual exertion burst a blood vessel, causing instant death.

Thirteen of the 17 "blind tiger" proprietors arrested for violating the local fined a total of \$718.

Miss Lillian Arnold, billed herself she was despondent over the loss of for another of \$250,000. her mother, who died about a year ago from the same cause.

Wm. Duncun, the fireman who narrowly escaped death in the recent tunnel horror at Port Huron, has not vet recovered his reason and has been taken to Chicago for treatment.

Charles Duncan, a young attorney, was fined at Ann Arbor for riding his bicycle on the sidewalk. Before he got home he was caught at it again, brought back and paid another fine.

Fire starting in the furniture store of Wm. Guileman, at Middleville, caused damage to Spangemacher & family 1,000-mile tickets for \$20, re-Johnson's hardware store, Masonic hall, opera hall and Middleville Sun will be able to show that the Michigan

Druggist F. H. Hartman, of Muskegon, charges Barber E. L. Ward with plating pennies and giving them to boys to pass for 10-cent pieces. The U. S. authorities have the case in charge.

The Michigan Beef & Provision Co.'s entire plant, near the Michigan Central vards at Detroit, is in ashes, the result, it is alleged, of an incendiary's work. The loss, which is total, is placed at \$40,000.

Mrs. Henry Bailey horsewhipped Grant Roebach, a waiter in the Richmond restaurant at Kalamazoo, because he circulated reports about her which resulted in her husband leaving her.

Albert Knapp, age 39, a German eigarmaker of 210 Elizabeth street east. Detroit, attempted to kill his aged mother with a hammer and then suicided by cutting his throat. He was constantly afraid of being robbed.

The Grand Rapids pastors' conference adopted a resolution recommending that funerals be not held on Sunday; that black mourning be discarded; that sermons be short, that there be more privacy and less display, and less ex-

Railroad Commissioner Wesselius announces that Mechanical Engineer Moore is at work on a train-dispatching system for suburban trolley roads. As soon as it is completed, the commissioner will require all roads to adopt and maintain it.

Gov. Pingree's appointment of ex-U. S. Senator John Patton, Jr., to succeed the late Dwight S. Smith on the Blair monument commission is regarded by some politicians as an indication that Patton will be the Pingree andidate for U.S. senator in opposi-

tion to Senator Burrows. Railroad Commissioner Wesselius says the mechanical engineer of the line and the South Shore road. Thus state department is investigating the trolley collision near Birmingham. He | the west and the whole upper peninsays the legislature gave the department a quasi right to supervise those ern terminus in Menominee. The ploying an expert electrician to help.

The House committee on banking and currency has already begun the consideration of financial legislation in line with the President's message, and has invited Secretary Gage to embody his views in a bill.

Mint Pell keeps a small grocery at Grand Rapids, and also has an ice box containing beer. When a customer wants a drink he leaves the pay on the counter and helps himself. Pell was arrested for selling beer without a United States license.

Gov. Pingree has paroled Hiram Wheeler, sent from Charlotte to Jackson in November, 1896, three years for assault with intent to do great bodily harm; also William Bellamy, sent from Grand Rapids to Jackson in June, 1896, two years for larceny.

The U.S. cruiser Yantic, which is to be a training ship for the Michigan Naval reserves at Detroit, has at last arrived at Detroit, after a most eventful voyage from Boston. She was at once put in the Detroit drydock to be placed in proper style.

The big steel steamer City of Bangor, from Duluth to Chicago with wheat, struck a bowlder between the piers of the Canadian canal, at the "Soo," breaking a hole in two compartments of her water bottom. She sank to the bottom just below the canal piers.

John Markle, living 10 miles north of Cass City, discovered his 6-year-old daughter in a nude condition lying in the snow unconscious, her clothing The supreme court has decided that being entirely consumed by fire and the body burned to a crisp. The little one died in a short time in terrible agony. How the child's dress caught

Railroad Commissioner Wesselius has sent a letter to A. G. Blair, Canadian minister of railways, suggested the necessity for joint action on the part who passed the century mark last of Michigan and Canada relative to the establishment of safety devices and police regulations for the St. Clair tunnel at Port Huron, so that the repetistairs at Lansing and was stricken tion of the recent fatal accident may be avoided.

The Michigan Sugar Co., of Bay City, with a capital stock of \$200,000, has aged 22, living near Dowagiac, tried to filed artices of incorporation with the secretary of state. Thomas Cranage is president, Hon. S. O. Fisher vice-president, and other prominent capitalists scholars sick with diphtheria and as a are interested in the enterprise. The company is organized to manufacture beet sugar on which the state now offers a county.

> Wm. J. Makeley has been arrested at Mason charged with soliciting insurance for "graveyard" companies, which have no permission to do business in the state. Makeley signed his father's name as president and his own as secretary and it is said they have been doing a land office business. Insurance Commissioner Campbell says more arrests will follow.

Work on Grand river improvement have stopped for the season. The channel thus far has been dredged for a distance of 10 miles, and 14 miles vet remain to work on. The amount exoption law of Van Buren county, were pended has been \$19,875, and about \$30,000 still remains to complete the work. When the present appropriawith morphine at Jonesville because | tion is expended it is proposed to ask

> Fire broke out in the basement of Kellogg's drug store in the Shearer block, Bay City, destroying a large stock of drugs and Christmas goods and damaging the stock above by smoke and water. The loss on the stock is about \$8,000, and to the block, \$1,500; covered by insurance. Chief Harding fell and was hurt about the back while going to the fire.

Attorney-General Maynard, who is assisting in the trial of the case commenced by Pingree to compel the Michigan Central railroad company to sell quired by the law of 1891, believes he Central company has forfeited its rights under its special charter by consolidating with other companies.

Adjt.-Gen. Irish says: "The state military board has not permanently sidetracked the new Ionia company as s generally believed. The fact is there was a vacancy in the Second, caused by the mustering out of the old Ionia company, and a majority of the board gave the White Guards of Grand Rapids the first chance. When another vacancy occurs the petition of the present Ionia company will be considered.

N. W. Phillips, of Saginaw, has written to Gov. Pingree, stating that a stringent law is needed if the spread of the black gnat pest among fruit trees is to be restricted. Plum and cherry trees are rapidly being made unproductive. The remedy is to cut out and burn the affected trees. Gov. state board of agriculture and Rep. R. D. Graham, of Grand Rapids, who is a prominent horticulturist, to the matter.

Insurance Commissioner Campbell is now after the mutual fire insurance companies organized under Michigan laws. He says that many are issuing a misleading policy, and that these collect cash premiums leading policy holders to believe that it covers every possible liability. As a matter of fact such policy holders are liable for an assessment although it is not so stated. Campbell says he shall insist upon a straightforward policy. Liability of members must be plainly started.

The Ann Arbor railroad is preparing to run its car ferries across Lake Michigan to Manistique, where a connection will be formed between the east and the Lake Superior country. The Chicago Lumber Co. owns and operates about 30 miles of railroad north to Munising, which is now connected with the Northwestern main the Ann Arbor will have an outlet to sula country north of its present westoads but made no provision for em- | boats will run to Manistique the entire vear.

AFFAIRS IN GENERAL.

BRIEF MENTION OF EVENTS OF INTEREST.

British Officials Find Much to Them in Their Foreign Affairs-The President's Mother is Dead-Cuba's Prospects are Bright.

British Have Troubles of Their Own Comment is made in London over the fact that four cabinet meetings were held the past week. With France trying to filch slices of African territory which Great Britain is in the habit of calling her own, and Germany loosening the "cinch" which England has always claimed to have in China, while Great Britain herself is trying to grab a little more country at various other points, and with the preparation of the legislative program, the ministry has no lack of worries. France is deliberately pursuing the task of seizing the upper waters of the Nile above Khartoum, thus cutting the British line of communication between Cape

Town and Suez. All the British forces under Gen. Sir Wm. Lockhart, on the Indian frontier, have been withdrawn to the Bara valley for the winter. Thus the largest and best equipped force ever assembled in India has failed and the whole work will have to be repeated in the spring. About 1.400 officers and men killed or wounded, 35,000,000 of rupees spent in loss and British prestige weakened on the frontier are the debits against which a few mud huts and Sangars blown up and probably several thousand natives killed are the only apparent credits.

Mrs. McKinley Dead.

Mrs. McKinley, mother of the President, died at Canton. She passed away

quietly, surrounded by her family. President McKinley continued his vigil all day and up to the last moment, much as he had the preceding days. He sat almost constantly in the sick room and there secured about all the rest he had. His attention has been almost wholly given to the patient, watching intently for the slightest change. He had the newspapers at his side, and when the mother rested peacefully he glanced over the columns for the news of the day. He and his wife took a few turns on the porch for exercise and a little fresh air, and a little later he and his brother Abner took a walk through the back streets. Aside from this he was scarcely out of the room

China Yields All Germany Asks.

Dispatches from Shanghai say: It is reported that China is willing to pay an indemnity of 1,000,000 taels, about \$781,250, and to grant all the German demands, including the temporary cessation of Kiao-Chau bay and adjoining territory.

Dr. Steubel, the German consul at Shanghai, has been ordered to Kiao-Chau to establish a regular German administration. Investigation shows that the coal deposits in the province of Shan Tung, which will become available to Germany, with railway and mining concessions are most valu-

"Cuba is Lost," Says a High Spanlard. Havana: Senor Enrique Caprilles, governor of the province of Santiago foreign consuls, told them that the Island of Cuba is lost. Many residents of towns in the provinces of Pinar del Rio the insurgents. Col. Rafael de Cardenas, of the insurgent forces, has been promoted to the rank of brigadier-

The Great Six-Day Bike Race. The greatest six-day bicycle race ever held was the one just finished in the Madison Square Garden, New York City, C. W. Miller, of Chicago, won first money by making 2,093 miles and the finish was witnessed by thousands of people and over 100,000 people were present during the progress of the con-

The entire ministry of Hayti has resigned owing to the outcome of the recent trouble with Germany.

Baron von Buelow, the German foreign minister, is showing an iron hand in the management of affairs, and the emperor, it is said, is not informed of any important foreign move until after it has been made, when he officially approves of it instead of directing it as heretofore. It is understood that it was on this condition Baron von Buelow accepted the portfolio of foreign Pingree has called the attention of the affairs, and his policy seems to please the populace.

> Francis Kossuth, leader of the party advocating the cessation of the agree ment between Hungary and Austria. and the independence of Hungary, has declared that this party wishes economic separation from Austria as a lever to obtain political independence. "We want," he said, "a separate army and separate finances. The king of Hungary would be emperor of Austria as a sort of supplementary occupation. Vienne is already a suburb of Budapest, and in time Austria will become a confilomeration of provinces attached to Hungary."

Ex-Senator Dubois, of Idaho, who has just reached home after an extended visit to Japan, China and Hawaii, says the United States will not annex these islands except against the bitter opposition of the natives. He says there are no less than 1,200 male Americans on the island and nearly half of them are opposed to annexation, while nearly all the balance of the population are against it. Nothing but the support of the U.S. government keeps the present oligarchy, misnamed a republic, in power. They could not sustain themselves a day if the U.S. should withdraw its support.

FIFTY-FIFTH CONGRESS.

The Senate received 108 new bills in its second day's session. Mr. H. De S. Money, of Mississippi, was introduced and the oath of office was administered to him. A motion to take up the sas Pacific railway and was pending at came embroiled in a lively skirmish parts of President's message to the rency committee. During the debate Gen. Grosvenor, of Ohio, fired the first gun against the civil service law, and Mr. Johnson, of Indiana, in a ringing warning, declared that if a bill to emasculate the civil service law were passed it would meet the presidential veto. Eventually Mr. Dingley, of the ways and means, in deference to the modification of the order of distribution so as to send to the ways and means committee all matters relating 'revenues, bonded debt of the country and the treaties affecting the revenues." The resolution was then adopted.

SENATE. -Third day. - A short session, chiefly consumed by the members in the presentation of memorials, resolutions and bills. A resolution pre sented by Mr Allen Populist of Nebraska, declaring it to be the sense of pendence of Cuba, was made the sub- of rations. ject of some remarks by the Nebraska senator, in course of which he criticised the President for not carrying into effect the pledge of the Republican party made in its last national platform to recognize the independence of the Cuban republic. Mr. Allen said he would not be content with the recogniupon the acknowledgment of their political liberty. If necessary, this recognition should be backed by a fleet of American vessels in Cuban waters. from Dawson which promises to rival A bill was favorably reported by the committee on foreign relations prohib- out nearly \$800. iting pelagic sealing by people of the United States. It is believed that this measure will settle the differences with Great Britain and Canada. A like bill was introduced in the House also. The only other business of importance before the House was the pension appropriation bill which was reported from committee. The House session lasted

but 15 minutes. SENATE. - Fourth day. - A large amount of minor business occupied the day. Senator Gallinger, chairman of the committee on pensions, called attention to the increasing demand for private pension legislation and requested senators to be careful in the future to see that their bills for private pensions were meritorious before they were introduced. An attempt to secure an appropriation for the relief of the Klondike miners resulted in a resolution calling on the secretary of war for information on the subject. An hour was spent on private pension bills and 45 were passed. House-The pension appropriation bill stirred up a de-

considerable length. Fifth day.-No session of the Senate. House.—The pension appropriation bill into the street to fight, whereupon passed without amendment-carrying \$141,263.880. The amendments offered de Cuba, in a conversation with the by the Democrats to correct alleged ex- mediately. Laughlin is in jail. isting abuses were all ruled out on the point of order that they were new legislation. The debate touched not only and Havana have joined the ranks of the question of our pension policy, but that of civil service reform and the receipts and expenditures of the treasury under the Dingley law. On the latter question Mr. Dingley made an important statement in which he expressed the opinion that the receipts would equal expenditures before the close of the present fiscal year, and predicted a surplus of \$10,000,000 for the following year. The civil service law was savagely attacked by Messrs. Grosvenor and Brown, of Ohio, and Mr. Linney, of North Carolina, and was warmly defended by Mr. Johnson, of Indiana, who won warm applause for the senti-

ments he expressed. Secretary of the Treasury Gage in his annual report gives the total receipts of the government from all New York 980 98% sources as \$430,387,167 and expenditures Chicago \$402@103 \$448,439,622, showing a deficiency of *Detroit 93@ 93 \$18,052,454, as compared with the fiscal Toledo. year of 1896; the receipts for 1897 increased \$20,911,759, the increase of the expenditures during the same period being \$13,594,713. The present tariff act, the secretary says, has not been in force long enough to determine fully its merits, but it is believed that when in full operation it will afford ample

SPLENDID CUBAN VICTORIES

Desirey a Spanish Town-Kill 800 Span

iards-Capture a Seaport. Reports have been received of the capture of the Spanish stronghold at Guisa, by the Cuban insurgents under Lodge immigration bill was contested Gen. Garcia, and they state that the by friends of proposed legislation to entire garrison of the town, composed confer authority upon the President to of 800 men, was killed. Oply 45 Spanact for the protection of the govern- ish soldiers survived and they were ment's interest at the sale of the Kan- made prisoners by Gen. Garcia. The Spanish official report describes the the close of the session. The House be- terrific effects of the pneumatic dynamite gun used by Gen. Garcia. The inover the distribution of the various surgents fired 72 dynamite shots on the forts and each shot wrought terricommittees. The conflict of authority | ble havoc. Not a house remains in came between the ways and means Guisa, all having been blown to pieces. committee and the banking and cur- Besides the dynamite gun the insurgents used two field pieces, and completed the destruction of the town in 12 hours

Cubans Capture a Seaport. It is officially announced in Havana that "a group of rebels" entered Caimanera, "favored by the treason of an officer." Caimanera is the port of opposition of the members of the bank- Guantanamo, and is situated 15 miles ing and currency committee, agreed to from the latter place, on the Bay of Guantanamo: The insurgent force plundered a store and carried off the he sum of \$30,000 which had just arrived from Havana. The insurgents killed the soldiers and the paymaster who were guarding the treasure. Numerous Spanish guerillas, the official announcement concludes, have joined the insurgents:

Food for Concentradoes Cut Off. Cant -Gen Blanco has ordered the distribution of rations to the concentrathe Senate that the United States does to be stopped, \$100,000 having should recognize the political inde- been distributed among them in lieu

NEWSY CONDENSATIONS.

The pension appropriation agreed upon by the sub-committee of the louse is \$141,218,830.

Three children were burned to death at Augustine, Pa., by their mother tion of belligerency, but would insist causing the burning of their home by starting a kitchen fire with kerosene. News comes from Dawson City of a big gold strike on Dog creek, 50 miles

> all previous finds. A single pan turned The special U.S. commissioner to the Paris International exposition. Maj. Moses P. Handy, of Chicago, asks congress to appropriate \$919,600 for a creditable display on the part of the

> United States. A move to cut from the pension rolls those young women who become soldiers' widows by marrying aged veterans for that purpose, has been inaugurated by Congressman Sam W. Smith, of Michigan.

The last hope of W. H. T. Durrant, the condemned murderer of Blanche Lamont and Minnie Williams, at San Francisco, has been dispelled by the supreme court of California deciding his two appeals against him.

Michael Dyer, at one time an inmate of the Soldiers' home, at Dayton, formrly of troop "C," Second S. cavalry, was killed in a fist fight John J. Laughlin, once of the Soldiers home, formerly a private in the First regiment of the New York veteran bate which promises to be extended to cavalry. Both were over 70 years old and had been friends. They had been drinking together, quarreled and went Laughlin knocked Dyer down. Dyer's head struck the curb and he died im-

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REVIEW OF TRADE.

Boston is shipping over 2,000,000 bu of grain abroad each month.

It is reported that Russia has determined that Germany's occupation of Kiao-Chau shall not be permanent, and is now making preparations to that effect.

The Spanish press is apparently pleased with the President's message as it is believed to strengthen the cause of Spain in Cuba and shows the there is no cause for intervention by the United States.

The movement of printers to secure a nine-hour work day has succeeded in New York City, after a threat had been made to call out the 5,000 book and job printers of the city. The matter will be settled throughout the country the first of next year.

Gen, Ruis Rivera, of the Cuban in surgent army, and Col. Bacallao, his second in command, who are in a Spanish prison at Havana, were both pardoned by royal decree of the queen regent of Spain. Both absolutely refused to give their word not to fight against Spain and now Gen, Blanco refuses to release them.

The opening of congress, with the annual message and reports, has not discouraged business as some predicted, but all specula-them message and reports, has not discouraged business as some predicted, but all specula-them message and reports, has not discouraged business as some predicted, but all specula-them message and reports, has not discouraged business as some predicted, but all specula-them message and reports, has not discouraged business as some predicted, but all specular message and reports, has not discouraged business as some predicted, but all specular message and reports, has not discouraged business as some predicted, but all specular message and reports, has not discouraged business as some predicted, but all specular them message and reports, has not discouraged business as some predicted, but all specular them message and reports, has not discouraged business as some predicted, but all specular them makes to conduct the first of the part were strong them the war as the makes of conducts presuments and the current of the part of the p

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little lady, "But you must," said mamma. "Don't you know that all the little chickens have gone to bed long ago?" "Yes," she answered, "but the old hen went to bed with them." "Tommie," said a mother to her 6year-old hopeful. "you must not interrupt me when I am talking to the la-

dies; it isn't good manners. You must wait till we get through and then you can talk." "But, mamma," retorted the youthful observer, "you never get through, and my talk won't keep." Making Money Now. Critic-You are not maintaining the

high standard which you set at your theater when the season opened. Manager-No; I've stopped encouraging art to give the people what they want.-Philadelphia North American. No Use. Mudge-Which is proper to say.

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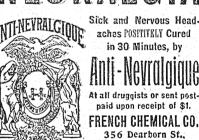
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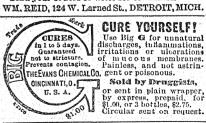
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Mrs. Holack-They say that our minister s one of the most eloquent after-dinner speakers in the country. Mr. Hojack—If that is true I wish he'd eat his dinner just

YOU CAN'T STOP 'EM.

The Fury of an Unfettered Element Falls to Crash Them - The Fire Flend Defied. The news comes from Attica, Ind., of the destruction, by fire, of the big laboratory and office building of the Sterling Remedy company, makers of Cascarets Candy Cathartic and No-To-Bac, the original guaranteed tobacco habit cure. The preparations made by this big corporation are known throughout the world. The fire broke out in one of the

wacking rooms on the third floor during tie noon hour, and had made consideragle headway before it was discovered. The Sterling Remedy company is the principal industry of the beautiful little city of Attica, employing several hurdred people, besides being affiliated with the interests at the Indiana Mineral Springs, the famous Magne-Mud Cure. The entire population was

worked up to a frenzy of excitement. Meanwhile the almost proverhial energy and presence of mind of "Hustsarry Kramer, the general manager of The Sterling Remedy company, man at the scene. He quietly walked away, and secured a big carriage show room near by, and had all office furniture, charred and delapidated as it were made the same evening from goods saved, and on Friday morning. all departments were at work in various rooms about town, while a gang of men were cleaning away the wreck-

age preliminary to rebuilding. The actual damage amounts to many thousands of dollars; the loss due to interruption of business and confusion of detail is inestimatable, but pluck and energy of one man will turn defeat into victory and move the wheels of business to ever-increasing speed. Nothing can stop the success of Cascarets and No-To-Bac with such char acteristic force behind them.

Could Not Weaken Such Testimony

As This.

(From the Kalamazoo Telegraph.) The following statement is one of great interest to many a citizen of Kalamazoo, and a man as well known as Mr. Wallace should carry more than ordinary weight with our readers. Here it is as taken down by our representative:

"My name is John A. Wallace. I am a member of the firm of J. A. Wallace & Co., doing business as tinners, etc., at 106 Eleanor Street, Kalamazoo, in which city I also reside. For the past nine or ten months I have been having attacks of kidney complaint, the pain in my back over my hips was very severe at times; my urinary system was also in a bad state of derangement, sometimes the urine was scanty and then again the amount would be excessive, and a difficulty of passage always existed. I heard of Doan's Kidney Pills at a time when I felt that I was going to be sick, but their use warded off an attack, and I am now feeling very much better; the urinary organism has regained a normal condition, and the terrific pain in my back is much reduced in severity, while it is now fast going away altogether. I am continuing the use of Doan's Kidney Pills, with positive feeling that they will effect on me a permanent and speedy cure. I have unbounded confidence in Doan's Kidney Pills as a remedy for all kidney ailments; have good reason to be, as they have done so much for me."

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All the world's a stage and to the tramp is assigned the part of walking gentleman.

The woman who is homely enough to stop a clock is not a success when it comes to stopping a street car. The average woman swallows flattery just as a baby swallows buttonsregardless of the trouble that may fol-

LUCKY TO GET OUT ALIVE. Patients in a Chinese Hospital Have

Little Chance to Recover. From the London Mail: If ever the surroundings were conducive to ill health or a prolongation of disease, those of a Chinese hospital are certanly meant to be productive of continued revenue to the owner. For, be it known, the Chinese hospital is a private institution run by the undertaker. He is always on the safe side. If the patient keeps alive he gets money for caring for him. If his friends tire of paying for his keep he is placed in the "chamber of tranquillity." After he dies the undertaker, that pooh bah who has three offices only, buries him and makes money out of hm to the last. Imagine a room

about ten feet wide and twelve feet long, filled with the odds and ends of a junk shop. Let this room be so dark that it takes two candles to make a light, and so filled with the malodorous smells that are usually met with in Chinatown dens that a strong man hesitates before he enters and gasps for breath after he gets inside. Place and pleasant to look upon. In a half dozen bunks round the walls and a cauldron in which some witches' | ing broth is boiling in the corner. Let the walls be so full of ratholes that the was now at six o'clock soft and balmy, three cats which make themselves at home on the bunks with the sick sharp and fresh. Chinamen are insufficient to watch them all. Imagine all this, and you may have some slight conception of what the interior of a Ghinese hos- | half farm-house-a house with a long pital looks like. If your imagination is very vivid, and you have seen Chinese opium dens, you may get pret-

across the fields and the long green ty close to the real thing. Otherwise stretches of land over which the bold it is beyond imagination. But the sea came and went at ebb and flow of front room above described is elysium the tides. It was a quaint old garden, in comparison with the one at the with turf like velvet, and raised beds back. There are grades of darkness, cut in it here and there, gay with the scientists tell 23, and these grades blazing scarlet geraniums and blue may be found in a Chinese hospital. lobelias, and kept neat and tidy by a Some darkness can be seen, some can quaint bordering of red tiles set edgebe felt. That in the back room can was, taken there. Several shipments | be felt palpably. In fact, it is present ways into the ground. There were tall trees, too, about this domain, which to all human senses at once. It can hid the farm-buildings from sight, and be tasted. It can be heard. It can be also helped to shield the house from seen. It can be felt. That it can be the fierce winter blasts, and in front smelled goes without saying. You there lay a rich and verdant meadow stand just within the opening, which sloping gently down to the high-road, by courtesy is called a door, and you where just then a man and a young hear breathing, as if someone were exgirl had stopped for a moment as they hausted after a long run. You are walked along together. not mistaken. It is a man breathing heavily in his race with death. He is imploringly. still alive, and you wonder why. Groping your way, you reach some stationary object and light a match. It just gives enough light to enable you to see a candle on a bench and you light that. Then you feel that an electric are light would scarcely be suffi- you must come in this time."

the other for the cessation of the

Yuma Convicts Need No Guard.

them escapes. None tries to escape.

Why do they stay? Because each man

guards the other. Each man is a

"short-termer," none of them having

more than a year yet to serve. All are

allowed a rebate for the work they do.

When a convict has cut two cords of

woods he has earned a day's rebate on

his term. But should one escape all

lose rebates. Thus each man becomes

Curious Lake in the North Sea.

In the midst of Kildine, an island in

curious lake in the world. The sur-

it is said to be as salty as the bluest

depths of the sea, and sponges and

salt water fish live and have their be-

ing, to the delight and despair of all

Not Guaranteed.

Tom-"Hasn't Miss Bloom a beauti-

"What is courting danger, Uncle

Simon?" "Any kind of courting."-

ful complexion?" Clara-"Yes. But

I'm afraid it won't wash."

his brother's keeper.

struggle for breath.

girl answered. "You see, auntie has gone to Colchester, and she wouldn't like me to ask you in when I knew she wasn't there. No, I don't think cient to enable you to pierce that "Perhaps she will be back by this

"Mayn't I come in?" the man said,

"No, I don't think you must," the

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love a bachelor tea."

"Who is that?" asked the soldier,

"That is Mr. Stevenson," she an-

when he's at home?" the soldier de-

He laughed, too. "But tell me, who

"Oh, one of the gentlemen farmers

It was evident that she did not want

to talk about the owner of the dog-

-cart, but the soldier went on without

heeding: "And you know him well?"

said, with studied carelessness.

take the racket from him.

"I have known him all my life," she

In the face of her evident unwilling-

ness to enlarge upon the subject, the

soldier had no choice but to let her

"Good-by," she said, holding out her

"Good-by," he answered, holding it

a good deal longer than was necessary;

"Yes, I think you might do that."

met me, and that I am coming to call

said, laughing. "Besides, tomorrow

"And you like it?" incredulously.

world, at least in Graveleigh, one has

to do a great many things that one

"And you might have to do worse

things than go to a sewing-meeting.

eh?" he suggested, for it suddenly

flashed into his mind that there would

be no gentlemen farmers in smart dog-

"No; say one day next week," with

"Oh, you must take your chance of

that. Good-by," and then she passed

in at the wide old gate, and disappear-

ed among the bushes and shrubs which

lined the short and crooked carriage-

CHAPTER II.

thought of her beauty, her soft blue

eyes, and fair, wind-tossed hair, of the

OR a moment he

stood there looking

after her, then

turned on his heel

and retraced the

steps which he had

Strode's company,

and as he went

along he went

again over all that

she had said,

taken in Dorothy

carts at such feminine functions as

"That is so. Well, good-by."

"No, candidly I don't; but in this

there is a sewing-meeting."

"You will tell your aunt that you

"That is a little soon, isn't it?" she

'but tell me I may come and call?"

saw her.

manded.

is he?"

with a gay laugh.

round about."

hand to him.

tomorrow?"

"Always."

does not like."

ewing-meetings

come." he cried.

gay laugh.

"But which day?"

drive leading to the house.

"And you go?"

CHAPTER I.

London

the

for

month of Septem-

ber, the soft after-

noon of a day that

had been hot even

on the borders of

the North Sea,

which sends its

breezes flying over

the part of Essex

which is not flat

and marshy, but

undulating, and fair

people were gasp-

breath, but here.

though the day had been fairly hot, it

and by nightfall the air would be

It was such a fair day and such a fair

view! Behind on the higher ground

stood a rambling old house, half hall,

red-brick front, and a sort of terrace-

garden from which you might look

Stygian darkness. It is well, perhaps, time," he urged; but the girl shook her that you have an obscured vision. It head resolutely. is possible that if you could see all "No; for the train does not get to that is in the room at once you, too,

Wrabness til twenty-four minutes past would be a sick man. It is a noisome | seven-it is not as much past six yet," den, where vermin abound; where she said, simply. "But," he said, finding that there rats make their home; where the living and the dead humanity lie side by

was no chance of his effecting an enside—the one waiting for its coffin and trance within the fortress, "are you bound to go in just yet?" "No, I am not; but you are bound

to go back to Lady Jane's for your dog-cart. She knows that you came From the San Francisco Call: The with me, and she knows that auntie anomalous spectacle of a large gang of is in Colchester." penitentiary convicts working in the "Lady Jane knows too much." he

open with no officers or armed force to said, vexedly. "Yes, I suppose I must guard them is presented every day at go back. But I may carry your racket Yuma, Ariz. They are camped on the as far as the door, eh?"

Colorado river, a little above Yuma, to "Oh, I think you may do that," anbe exact, and they are engaged in cutswered the girl, demurely. ting wood for the territory. None of

So together they turned and walked on. The road took a curve to the right. skirting the sloping meadow and rising gradually until they reached the gates of the old house, with its quaint red front and its many gables and dormer windows, and at the gate Dorothy Strode stopped and held out her hand for the racket.

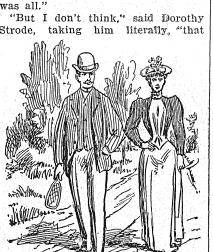
"Thank you very much for bringing me home," she said, shyly, but with an upward glance of her blue eyes that went straight to the man's perhaps rather susceptible heart; "it was very good of you."

the North sea, is perhaps the most "Yes. but tell me," he answered, not letting go his hold of the racket, "the face of its waters is quite fresh and aunt has gone to Colchester, you say?" supports fresh water creatures and "Yes." fresh water vegetation; but deep down

"Does she often go?" "Oh, no; not often."

"But how often? Once a week?" "Once a week-oh, no; not once a month. Why do you ask?" "Because for the present I live in

Colchester. I am quartered there, you know, and I thought that perhaps sometimes when the auntie was coming you might be coming, too, and I might show you round a little—the lions and all that, you know. That was all."



TURNED AND WALKED ON. probably knows Colchester a thousand | a laugh to think how fast his thoughts

at the gates of Lady Jane's place where he must say his farewells and get his dog-cart.

Lady Jane was still on the lawn, and welcomed him with a smile. She was a stout, motherly woman, still young enough to be sympathetic.

"Ah, you are back" she said, "Now is not that a nice girl?" "Charming," returned Dick, sitting

down beside her and answering in his

most conventional manner.

Lady Jane frowned a little, being quite deceived by the tone. She was fond of Dorothy herself and would like to come and have afternoon tea dearly like to make a match for her. T was in the sweet in my quarters? Old ladies generally She had seen with joy that Mr. Aylmer seemed very attentive to her, and his wife in spite of difference in rank. " I don't think she would," said had encouraged him in his offer to The herds at the Red Pass were the on." Dorothy, honestly. "You see, Mr. escort her down the road to her aunt's finest and largest in the neighborhood; Harris, my aunt is rather strict, and house-and now he had come back the barn and storehouses were always she never does anything unusual, again with his cold, conventional tones well filled. He was a bachelor, someand—" At that moment she broke off as if Dorothy was the tenth charming thing over two score years old. And haven't you?" short as a fairly smart dog-cart driven girl he had taken home that afternoon he wanted "Bonnie Bessie" for his by a young man passed them, and and he had not cared much about the wife. returned the salute of the occupant.

> who had lifted his hat as soon as he "I heard you say a little time ago marked, after a moment's pause.

task.

father jealously, frowning a little as "Yes, we are off tonight by the boat he noticed the girl's heightened color. it is rather a long passage—twelve swered, looking straight in front of weather is smooth, and it is a great "Oh, Mr. Stevenson. And who is he convenience being able to drive from from one's own door to the boat itself "Very much the same as when he -one starts so much fresher, you is not at home," answered Dorothy,

"Yes, that must be so," he replied, 'though I never went over by this route. And how long do you stay?" "All the winter," Lady Jane answered. "We go to Kissingen, though



SITTING DOWN BESIDE HER. is a trifle late for the place. Then on by the Engadine, Italian Lakes. and to Marseilles. After that to Algiers for several months."

'really?" "Yes, I need a warm climate in the

winter, and it gives Mr. Sturt a chance does not really feel being out of England for so long." "And you come back next spring?"

answered.

make his adje "But you haven't said when I may

Lady Jane, with much cordiality, "and I hope to find you still at Colchester feet twinkling prettily below her short when we come back again. If not, you petticoat as she stepped from stone to must come and see me in London during the season." "Thanks, very many," he said, "but

"Oh!" cried Lady Jane, in dismay, 'look, look! the fox-terrier is worrying the Persian kitten. Do rescue it

somebody, do, do!" (To be continued.)

HERMIT IN A BIG CITY. Why an Old Lady Has Shut Herself Off from tha World.

Various, indeed, are the ways in which eccentric people indulge their little peculiarities, but a decidedly original manner has been adopted by an old lady living here, says a Paris letter to the London Telegraph. On one of the grand boulevards stands a house with closed shutters and fastened door. Scarcely a sign of life is there about the place and the house has re-

mained in a similiar state over a quar-

ter of a century. The owner is an old lady, who, on Sept. 4, 1870, the day on which the republic was prcc aimed, resolutely determined that no one affected by republican ideas should ever cross the threshold of her dwelling. To avoid any such pitcher hastily on the ground, pressing contingency she simply declined her hand on her heart and trembling to allow any one inside and has refused all over. all offers to hire either apartments or the shop below. The only time she breaks through her hard and fast rule is when workmen are permitted to enter in order to carry out repairs. Painters, carpenters, locksmiths and sight when she next looked up; nothmasons once a year in turn invade her | lng except the overhanging rocks of privacy and make good any damage. To relatives whose political tendencies are the same as her own she is particularly gracious, but at the death of each one an apartment in the building

is sealed up and now all are closed barring the very small one at the back of the house, which the anti-republican hermit reserves for her own use and that of her three servants. This strange behavior on the part of an old she spoke, and kissed the slender hoop lady has repeatedly excited comment and numerous have been the attempts of people to gain an entrance by some ruse or other. All their efforts are foiled by an aged servant, who guards | mie, Jamie, after all, I love no one but the front door with dragon-like vigilance, and the would-be intruder soon finds the portals slammed in his face and himself none the wiser for his

curiosity. Similar, but Different. Landlord (to delinquent tenant) -Well, what do you propose to do dear."

about the rent?" Tenant (examining torn trousers)—"Oh, it's not so had. My tailor can fix it all right.'

There is many a slip 'twixt the cup and the lip, but there is only one between a man and the sidewalk.

BONNIE BESSIE.



so pretty and winning as Bessie. Squire Renfrew

that you were going away," he re- mother, as he stood under the low, of pain shaking her; "he gave me this, brown rafters of the little Black Lynn and I can't ever wear any other ring. from Harwich," she answered. "Yes shining crown of his bald head, "if with another repressed sob, "and he the lassie thinks she can fancy me, was lost at sea. I tried to forget him, hours—but the boats are big and the the bargain's made. I'm ready and but I cannot. I can't keep my promise willing to lead her to the kirk tomorrow; and if a good, true husband and feel like she did to 'Auld Robin Grey' some gold and siller will make her happy, she'll be as happy as a queen And here she broke down completely. at the Red Pass."

Bessie listened, with wide, startled eyes, burning cheeks and quivering lips. She held her peace, standing, tall and slim, in a sort of stunned si-

lence, until her gray-haired lover had taken his leave. Then she burst forth into vehement, passionate protest. The old grandmother suffered her to storm until her passion was spent.

"Well, 'tis o'er now, and ye'll simmer down and keep quiet, mebbe. I've let ye have yer say, and now I'll have mine. We're poor folk, me and you. I found it hard to get bread when I had but my own mouth to feed, and since I've been burdened wi' you I've gone to bed mony a night fit to cry wi' hunger. But I've borne it all an' done my best, an' always been willing to gi' you a share o' my last crust." "But, dearest grandma-

"Now, lookee here, my lass," interrupted the old woman, lifting her bony finger, and glowering fiercely upon Bessie; "if ye're fule enou' to refuse this good fortin, that ends it 'ewixt us two. You pack out o' my house, and ne'er cross the threshold again."

Bessie was silent. The great world "Algiers," he said in surprise, dim and far away, and the old home scenes were so familiar.

The autumn days drifted on, and in the spring time she was going to the both of life and of sport, so that he kirk with Squire Renfrew and be made his wife.

The spring time came and the wed-'Yes; some time next spring," she evening just before the gloaming, Bessie went to fill her pitcher, as usual, Dick Alymer got up then and began at the rocky spring near by. She had complished her task, and lifted the "Then good-by, Mr. Harris," said pitcher to her shoulder, and had started for the cottage, her white, shapely stone in crossing the little brawling stream, when suddenly she uttered a stifled cry, and staggering to a moss-



"IT'S HIS GHAIST!"

grown bowlder, sat down and put the

"It's his ghaist, it's his ghaist," she cried, "and oh, how sair he looked at me!" Whatever she had seen, or fancied

she had seen, there was nothing in the glen, the brook shimmering in the evening light, and the white birch trees swaying spectrally against the sky.

"He has come from his grave," she

cried, glancing fearfully around. "I dare na, dare na do it. Oh! forgive me, Jamie, that I ever thought o' it." She drew a silken cord, which encircled her throat, from her bosom, as of silver which depended from it. "I'll never ha' peace if I marry the squire." she said, "and I ought na ta ha' it; I shall feel I am a traitor. And, oh! Ja-

Suddenly she rose, with resolution stamped on every feature. "I must give the squire his ring

you, and never can.'

back," she said, brushing the last tears from her eye. "It is hard for him; but there is no other way. Then, Jamie, then, perhaps, you'll forgive me,

Leaving her pitcher there, she tossed back her abundant locks, as she finished this adjuration, and went speeding away, through the falling darkness, with the light foot of a chamois. bright glow of the warm ingle-side lit hundred thousand.

the windows. She approached the nearest one, and pressed her sad, tired, yet resolute face against the glass. A minute, and she tapped lightly against the glass. The squire turned quickly, stared, and then started to his

feet. "Well now, well now, what's the meaning o' this?" he cried, rushing across the room and throwing up the window. "Bessie, my lassie. what's

happened?" "Something that never should ha" happened," she answered, looking at him with a sort of desperate defiance, and drawing the gold ring from her of the Red Pass was desperately in love | finger, as she spoke. "I've come to with Bessie, and sought to make her give this back to you, Squire Renfrew. I was wrong ever to let you put it

"Why, child, what do you mean?" "Take your ring," she said. "You've heard of 'Auld Robin Grey,' maybe,

"Yes, I have. But what then?" 'Well. I had a Jamie once," she went "If the lassie thinks she can fancy on, clutching at the little silver ring me," he said addressing Bessie's grand- | suspended from her neck a great throb cottage, a hot flush mounting to the He-he-went off to seek his fortune, to you, Squire Renfrew-I-I couldn't -I should hate you-I should-

He took the ring she offered, and paused for a moment. A look of unutterable pain and regret came into his

"So," he said, slowly, "you have come to tell me this, and to ask for your freedom? And you really think, too, you have seen Jamie's ghaist?"

"Yes. And I shall never return to grandmother again. I dare not. So I

am going away." "Bessie, my darling," cried a voice, as his strong arm clasped her. The next moment she was on the breast of her lover, who had come back aliveand safe.

A few days after there was a happy marriage at the kirk. Squire Renfrew himself giving away the bride, our "Bonnie Bessie."

RELIC OF LIVINGSTONE.

Coat Worn by the Explorer Found in

the Heart of Africa. From the London Daily News: The Charterhouse school contains a relic of Livingstone, presented to the institution by Bishop Maples. The relic is an old tattered coat, given by Livingbeyond the Highland peaks seemed so stone in the course of his last journey to one of his native followers. This native gave it, many years after, to Bishop Maples. The bishop gave an account of the incident. The native African, he writes, described Livingstone: "A short man, with a bushy mustache, and a keen, piercing eye, ding day was close at hand, when, one whose words were always gentle, and whose manners were always kind, wohm as a leader it was a privilege to follow, and who knew the way to the hearts of all men. showed me the coat, it was ragged now, he knew, but he had kept it. those ten years in memory of the giver, from whom it had been a legacy when they parted at Mataka's. To no one but an Englishman would he part with it, but he let me have it as one of Livingstone's brothers (he said), and it now lies in the museum at Charterhouse school. The black, of course. did not talk in the above style pre-

cisely. But you can see what he was at. It will interest anthropologists to know that Maples and his white followers, when they visited a certain tribe which no European had reached before, took them for ghosts. Histories of adventures in the Australian bush contain like instances. Sir George Grey, long ago, described how a poor Australian black woman took him for the spirit of her dead son, and how she clung to him.

Artificial Flowers. The artificial flower trade, in which

thousands of women and girls are employed both in London and Paris, is on the eve of being revolutionized, so says Cassell's Family Magazine. Hitherto the petals have been made of muslin, silk, satin and even of velvet, colored after nature and most successfully manipulated into the semblance of beautiful blossoms. A substance has been discovered for flower-making that puts the most delicate textile materials ever manufactured completely in the shade, and will probably take their place and reign supreme for its particular purpose. It consists of the thinnest of thin shavings from the inner pith of an oriental palm that grows in Formosa, and can be compared to nothing so well as the almost transparent petal of a white poppy, or a delicate tea rose. A lily petal is robust in comparison with this marvelous substance, which has all the sheen and translucence, and even the slightly frosted appearance, seen in some white flowers. It can be tinted far better than silk or muslin, and is practically indestructible. In wet weather it gives and falls a little limp, just as real flowers do. but when the sun comes out it crisps, reasserts itself and takes a new lease of life and beauty. So admirably adapted are roses and carnations made of it for buttonhole and other bouquets, that when fairly on the market they will most likely make a considerable difference to the florist, as the fadeless flowers never really droop, and will do duty over and over again.

Dangers of Railway Traveling. The proportion of killed to the number of railway travelers is: In France, one in nineteen million; Great Britain, one in twenty-eight million, and in the When she reached the Red Pass the United States, one in two million four

CAUSE FOR ALARM.

scientists.

Chicago Record.

How baldness begins. How to prevent it.

Every person, male or female, shrinks from baldness. It adds to the appearance of age and is a serious discomfort. The cases are rare when the falling out of the hair promoted. The hair growth of the hair promoted. The hair grows in the scalp like a plant in the soil. If a plant flourishes, it must have constant attention: it must be watered regularly and find its food in the soil where it is rooted. It's so with the hair. Neglect is usually the beginning of bald.

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auntie would ever want to be shown round Colchester, or the lions, or anything. You see, she has lived at the Hall for more than fifty years, and

that," and he laughed a little at his an hour and a half's acquaintance and own mistake, then added suddenly: before even he had begun his wooing!

times as well as you do."

"True! I might have thought of tually married himself already, after "But don't you think your aunt might | And with another laugh he turned in

grace of her movements, the strength and skill of her play, the sweet, halfshy voice, the gentle manner with now and then just a touch of roguish fun to relieve its softness. Then he recalled how she had looked up at him, and how softly she had spoken his name, "Mr. Harris," just as that farmer-fellow came along to distract her attention and bring the bright color into her cheeks, and, by Jove! he had come away and never told her that his name was not Harris at all, but Aylmer-Richard Aylmer, commonly known as "Dick," not only in his regiment, but in every place where he was known at all. Now how, his thoughts ran, could the little woman have got hold of an idea that his name was Harris? Dick Harris! Well, to be sure, it didn't sound bad, but then it did not suit him. Dick Aylmer he was and Dick Aylmer he would be to the end of the chapter except—except, ah, well, well, that was a contingency he need not trouble himself about at present. It was but a contingency and a remote one, and he could let it take care of itself until the time came for him to fairly look it in the face, when

probably matters would conveniently and comfortably arrange themselves. And then he fell to thinking about her again, and what a pretty name hers was-Dorothy Strode! Such a pretty name, only Dorothy Aylmer would look even prettier-Mrs. Richard Aylmer the prettiest of them all, except, perhaps, to hear his men friends

calling her "Mrs. Dick." And then he pulled himself up with had been running on-why, he had ac-

Mrs. A. F. Hendrick is spending the week with her parents in Sanilac Co. Mrs. Wm. Bearrs is spending a few weeks with relatives near Chatham,

Services will be held at 2:30 p.m. in the schoolhouse hereafter instead of

York this week.

Our winter has taken the shape of spring. The roads are nearly impassable in places.

Mrs. Nida Bursley nee Ware, of Oxford, came home on Saturday last to stay a short time.

Some of the people in the school district made quite a kick on the using of school wood for Sunday school and meeting purposes. In order to avoid this the members of the Sunday school have purchased enough wood for the winter's use. Quite a number in the district pay just as much tax as the kickers and have no children to attend school and all they get for their tax is what benefit they get at Sunday school and church. They don't kick.

Thousands of persons are floundering along for months, yes, ever years, suffering from indigestion, bowel troubles and liver disorders, with their accompanying disagreeable symptoms, because they think they are obliged to do so. If they would take a short course of Dr. J. H. McLean's Liver and Kidney Balm, they would soon get rid of the miserable feeling and that overpowering sense of weariness and incapacity for work would give place to one of health, vigor and cheerfulness. Price \$1 a bottle. For sale by

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Nov. 1 and 2, 15 and 16 and Dec. 6 and 7, 20 and 21. For rates and full particulars call upon agents of Ohio Central Lines or address John Moores, T. P. A., Findlay, or W. A. Peters, Mich. Pass. Agent, Detroit, Mich. 10-21-9

Photo. Mounting Board for sale at the Enterprise Office.



"The Kind that Cures,"

will give you pure blood; make your stomach digest readily; your liver and kidneys active; your nerves strong. That's only assertion, but we back it up with this — YOUR MONEY BACK IF IT DOES NOT. This is an offer honest like the medicine. EVERY bottle of DANA'S is guaranteed to benefit or you get your money back.

All Druggists Keep It.

Cass City Markets.

CASS CITY, Dec. 16, 1897. Wneat, No. 1 white..... Western Corn, per bu..... Barley, per 100 lbs..... Peas 35 to 40

 Beans
 75
 80

 Unpicked beans
 50 to 78

 Clover Seed, per bu
 2 50 2 80

 Butter.... Apples..... 40 to 60 Cranberries......10 per qt

 Hogs, dressed
 4 00

 Live Hogs, per ewt
 2 50 to 300

 Turkeys—live, per lb..... Chickens—dressed, per lb..... White Lily Flour.....\$ 2.50 cwt. Economy.....\$ 2 25 cwt. High Toned...... 8 00 P.llsbury's Best...... 3 00 Bolted Meal. 1.50 "

Buckwheat Flour..... 2 50 "

PANNESSOG.

Mrs. Horton'slittle girl is very sick. Wheat is looking as green as it ever

Rain and snow was what we got Mon-

Chas. Bishop clerks in Alex. Hays' Mr. Geach, our new M. E. misister

gave us two good sermons Sunday. Joseph Eaton, of Soule, is moving in with John Kerr, in the latter's house.

Mr. Cluff, of Port Austin, has moved into the Michael Murry house two miles west of town.

We were smiling to ourselves to 31, 1897 and Jan. 1st 1898, good to rethink that we were getting along without any muddy roads this fall, but now take advantage of these low rates. they are muddy, muddy, muddy. We pity the stage driver.

NOVESTA CORNERS.

Rabbits are catching fury at present. John Gamble is getting his mill in

Ed. Sutton returned home to Canada Saturday

er Monday. Mr. Sergeant has rented his farm to

of Xmas goods.

process of construction.

ed the Robinson farm of Jas. Rule. Wm. Ware intends starting for a The infant son of N. Harrison died visit with relatives in Ohio and New last Wednesday of broncho pneu-

Wm. Crittenden, Myrt Crittenden and wives visited Mr. and Mrs. Hackett Sunday,

REAULEY.

to Canada this week:—Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Allison, James Stirton, Mrs. D. Mc-Donald with Alvia and Millington, her sons, James Grenache, Mrs. Geo. Young and family and Mrs. Thos. Jar-

Max Wolf was in Pigeon Monday. Rudolph Born did business in Cass City last Monday.

ast Monday. Mr. Mulchler did a job of plastering for Wm. F. Wolfe last week.

Arthur Crouch for a horse.

n town last week Wednesday. of the K. O. T. M. Lodge at Canboro. Rudolph Born and Max Wolf are

or snow. Smith Bros. the well drillers, are still at Mrs. Warrington's. They bent their sinking bar which put them be hind and they began on a new spot

cents per bushel and potatoes for fifty. Great change from last year, whatever

Carl Wolf and Wm. Barnhart are the proprietors of the Wolfton feed mill this winter. The boys have everything in good running order and if you Gillett Berlin to Gamhle Addle pt s w 1/4 sec 23 mill this winter. The boys have everycome and give them a trial you will be

Dr. McColl, of Elkton, was in town on Monday.

wns in town on Tuesday. School has been closed for a week. Miss Sparling was suffering from the

Grandpa Lambkin's.

The remains of Agnes Markel were laid to rest on Friday in the Catcholic cemetery in Sheriden.

C. Wettlaufer goes soon for an extended visit with friends in Gad's Hill, Ont. He will visit friends at Capac for a

short time. Beautiful China and other useful

they want. James Beachenburg, who has been in West Branch, is here again looking after his family and farm. Mrs. B. is

the family. Some peoples gratitude often reminds us of the kind hearted man who found Free trial bottles at T. H. Fritz's drug a snake on the mountain suffering from the cold who, out of pity, took it iome and warmed it and made it com-

Preparations for a Christmas tree at the F. W. B. C. are in progress. Miss Myrtie Fairome and Annie Dulmage are busily engaged with the children. All will de well to avail themselves of a peep at Santa Claus, and the beatiful Christmas toys he will be sure to bring. I

Mud. and lots of it. shop and stone house.

Rev. Deichman, is erecting a nice parn on his premises.

S. Jamieson, of Cass City, gave our town a call on Tuesday. Amos Schwietzer, did business in Sebewaing on Tuesday of this week.

W. C. Sanford, Supt. of P. O. & N. R. R., and Mr. Osmun, of Pontiac were in our town the latter part of last week. Mr. Eaton has dissolved partner- Mr. Osmun was contracting for wood, ship with his brother on the Eaton and our citizons are making the chips

The P. O. & N. R. R. will give rates of 1½ fare to all local points and points on connecting lines on Dec. 24, 25 and

Mat. Smith is putting in a stock of goods in the old Croop building and intends to do a rushing business. As we understand that a gentleman from Elkton is going in with him, they will undoubtedly get their share of the

was out shooting sparrows, in getting the gun through the fence, it was ac-cidentally discharged shooting him

Walter, the seven year-old child of Geo. Lenox, had a sad misfortune Sat-urday last. The child was playing around while his brother and a neighoor were engaged in cutting wood Weather is nice and mild at this when the axe glanced striking the child just above the temple fracturing the scull. Dr. Frenzel, of Pigeon, dressed the fracture and the child is getting

Free of Charge to Sufferers. Cut this out and take it to your drug-ist and get a sample bottle free of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. They do not ask you to buy before trying. This will show you the great merits of this truly Another lucky man in Beauley last night, and that is William March. He had the good fortune of riding the Beauley Maccabee goat and had the norm of receiving the 2d degree "The last of the study wonderful remedy, and show you what can be accomplished by the regular size bottle. This is no experiment, and would be disastrous to the proprietors, did they not know it would invariably curve. Many of the best physicians are Great Oriental."

Grant township is going to loose a good number of its citizens for a time. We hear the following persons are going Regular size 50 cents and \$1.00.

Corrections.

Editor Enterprise: Please allow me space to correct ome errors in printing my argument

eight millions of Roman Catholics. and dry goods boxes and the like must Farther down in the column it should be kept off of the sidewalk. Also an read "treason excepted," instead of ordinance passed that the chop mill treason "accepted;" and still farther must be removed and in consequence down it should read "Catholics have of this last ordinance the chop mill had to be removed to the suburbs and now stands in Rescue opposite the Government building at the west end of Beauley.

WOLFTON

down it should read "Catholics have persecuted in past ages. Protestants have persecuted also; and if for that reason we should ostracize the former, on the same grounds we must hold to account the latter." Again, Editor Trainer is spelled with a small T. Some readers of papers do not understand how to causally these agrees in stand how to supply these errors in their own minds, so I ask space for correction. John McCracken.

Who goes to the club while her hus band tends the baby, as well as the good old-fashioned woman who looks after her home, will both at times get run down or Wm. F. Wolfe last week.

in health. They will be troubled with loss of appetite, headaches. sleeplessness, ainting or dizzy spells. The most won derful remedy for these women is Elec-tric Bitters. Thousands of sufferers tric Bitters. Thousands of sufferers from Lame Back and Weak Kidneys rise relieved by the use of Electric Bitters. Delicate women should keep this remedy on hand to build up the system. Only Oc per bottle. For sale by T. H. Fritz.

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The Discovery of the May.

Aug. J. Bogel, the leading druggist of hreveport, Da., says: Dr. King's New Discovery is the only thing that cures my cough, and it is the best seller I have" J. F. Campball, merchant of Safford, Ariz; writes: "Dr. King's New Discovery is all that is claimed for it; it never fails, and is a sure cure for consumption, coughs and colds. I cannot say enough for its merits." Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, coughs and colds not an experiment. It has been tried for a quarter of a century and today stands at the head. It never disappoints.

We always give what you ask for -if you wish our advice we say Brant's Cough Balsam is the best.

We warrant it-25 cents. T. H. Fritz, Druggist.

The Mission of Mirth.

Away with the ideas of gloom. Let us Via Grand Trunk Railway system. have brightness and cheerfulness about the Christian faith. It is also necessary to have a correct view of death. It is as natural to die as to be born. The speaker liked the views of death as held by Mrs. Osgood, Lord Tennyson and others. Custom now prevails to such an extent that the poor the remainder of the family during their entire life. Let us have respec-tability on such occasions—no more. dany who failed to do their duty in life sought to even it up bywhat they placed on their tomb stones as instanced by the man whose epitaph

"Remember friends as you pass by As you are now so once was I, As I am now, so soon you'll be. Prepare for death and follow me. wag wrote beneath it:— "To follow you I'm not content Until I know which way you went."

Caution should be exercised as to what kind of books we read. Much of the literature of the day is so "thin" that when one reads it he cannot tell where it goes to. Let us look on the bright side of life. We see what we look for and there is always a bright side to life. A boy had four fingers cut off one hand yet thanked God he had a thumb lett. A soldier who was bow-legged afforded much amusement for his compades yet when a capped for his comrades, yet when a cannon ball passed through the natural crook and he escaped without injury, he was thankful for the bow-legs. Some reasons were given as to why we laugh and what we laugh at, accompanied by amusing illustrations.

The lecture, as a whole, was most instructing and edifying and still contained much that would amuse. It was brought to a fitting close at a reasonable hour, all feeling abundantly satisfied. The attendance was excellent, the church being filled, and the lecture cannot but give forth an influence that will be cheering and helpful.

To Be Regretted

The following communication, which ve publish in full, explains itself. It wil!, no doubt, be a great disappointment to many of our readers but it seems unavoidable.

UBLY, MICH., Dec. 3rd, 1897.

My Dear Mr. McDowell:— Received last week's paper and find you have given the matter of Mr. John McCracken in recent debate verbatum. When you asked me for the outline of my talk that evening I did not for a moment foresee that one of my books in which my notes had been placed carelessly would be stolen from the platform. But such was the case. Several times I have sat down to re-produce the words of that night and as often have I given up the task as hopeless case. In the first place, Mr. McCracken had his remarks written out so that he was able in justice to both sides to have them printed as really delivered. On the other hand my part was never committed to writ ing for the simple reason that the affirmative took wholly unexpected ground and to meet that it was neces sary for the negative to desert the plan already adopted and pursue one born of the moment. You might as well ask me to perform the impossible as to write out a fair presentation of the matter advanced by our side. The heat of debate with its excitement and inspiration is quite different from a quiet hour at home with merely pen and paper to control. After many futile attempts to give you the com-position you requested I have given up the idea conscious that your notes taken on the spot will be more true to the reality than anything I can offer. I do not want to take any advantage of my opponent by placing it in any stronger light than it was present ed on that night. The publication of our argument in your paper should be just what was said and no more, no less. To meet this end fairly and honestly under the circumstances is impossible. I would be therefore the better satisfied if you gave the substance from your notes taken on the night of the debate. To set this matter

clear in the eyes of some who may not understand the position if you see it to be wise you might insert this letter in next issue. Many may wonder why the negative argument is not given in full and the above said explanation may make the mystery plain. Sincerely Yours, FRANK FORESTER. We would be pleased indeed if we

were able ro comply with Mr. Forester's request and publish his reply from notes, but seeing that he had manuscript we allowed ourselves to be carried away with his enthusiasm and eloquence and let the pencil rest. We think it would only be fair under existing circumstances to allow Mr. Forester to write a reply, following as near as he can the line of argument taken that evening, and we shall request him to do so if Mr. McCracken is willing.

Good barn to rent. Inquire at Cass City Bank.

Disorders in the liver and kidueys are esponsible for many of the ailments of humanity, which, when neglected, develop into serious and often fatal maladies. Prudence would suggest the prompt use of Dr. J. H. McLean's Liver and Kidney Balm to remove the disorder as soon as possible, and restore the diseased organs to a healthy and vigorous ction. Price \$1 a bottle. For sale by

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CANADIAN EXCURSIONS.

The Grand Trunk Railway System calls your attention to its Annual Canadian excursions which will be given on December 16th, 17th and 18th, 1897, and tickets to all Canadian points will be sold at a single fare for prevails to such an extent that the poor the round trip. They will be valid to man in the city is afraid to die or have return up to and including January any of his family die, because the expenses as demanded by fashion are piled up so as to become a burden to and Imlay City on the C. & G. T.

Division. The Grand Trunk Railway desires to call the attention of intending excursionists to the long limit given or this Cheap Excursion, giving an op-portunity to visit your Canadian riends and relatives during the holi days at cheap rates. The Grand Trunk Railway will run three trains daily in each direction, with Pullman sleepers on night trains and Parlor cars on day trains to all prominent points. Tickets are optional going and returning via Detroit or Port Huron and the Great St. Clair Tunnel. Rates, tickets and information may be had from all agents of this Company and connecting lines. E. H. Hughes, Ben Fletcher,

Ass't G. P. A. A., Trav. Pass. Agent Chicago. Detroit. Chicago.

NOTICE We, the undersigned, do hereby agree to refund the money on two 25-cent bot-tle of Baxter's Mandrake Bitters, if it fails to cure constipation. billiousness fails to cure constipation. billiousness, suck headache, or any of the duseases for which it is recommended. Also will refund the money on a 50 cent bottle of Down's Elixir, if it does not cure any cough. cold, croup, whooping cough, or throat or lung difficulty. We also guar antee one 25 cent bottle of either of the above to prove satisfactory or money refunded. T. H. Fritz and A. W. Seed.

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State of Michigan, county of Tuscola, ss.
In the matter of the Estate of Lucy Ann
Hatton and Maggle Nell Hatton, Minors. Notice
is hereby given, that in pursuance and by virtue
of an order granted to the undersigned, as of an order granted to the undersigned, as guardian of the estate of said Lucy Ann Hatton and Maggie Neil Hatton by the Hon. John C. Laing, Judge of Probate in and for said county, on the 7th day of December, A. D. 1897, there will be sold at public vendue, to the highest bidder, at the premises therein described in the township of Novesta in said county, on Monday, the 31st day of January A. D. 1898, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day subject to the right of dower or dower interest of Eliza Hatton, widow of William C. Hatton, deceased, father of said minors, all the right, title, and interest of said may a hatton and Magrie Nell. Hatton in and ninors, all the right, title, and interest of said Lucy Ann Hatton and Maggle Nell Hatton in and to the following described lands and premises, situated in the township of Novesta, county of Fuscola, State of Michigan, to wit: the southeast quarter [14] of the northeast quarter [14] of section ten [10], town No. thirteen [13], north of ange eleven [11] east containing forty acres of and more or less.

Guardian of the estate of Lucy Ann Hatton and Maggie Nell Hatton. Dated December 11th A. D. 1897.

Default having been made in the payment of money due on and secured by a certain mortgage bearing date the ninth day of March, 1881, made and executed by Joanna Doying to George Scott and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Truscola County, Michigan, in liber 35 of mortgages, on page 303, on the day and year aforesaid. Which said mortgage was duly assigned by a written assignment bearing date the second day of October, 1897, made and executed by said George Scott to Calvin Ale and recorded in the Register of Deeds' Office aforesaid, on the eighth day of October, 1897, in liber 88 of mortgages, on page 421, upon which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice, the sum of six hundred and seven dollurs and thirty five cents (\$607.35). Now therefore, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises in said mortgage described at public vendue to the highest bidder, on

Monday, the 31st day of January, 1898,

Monday, the 31st day of January, 1898, Monday, the 31st day of January, 1898, at one o'clock in the afternoon, at the front door of the Court House, in the village of Caro, (that being the place where the circuit court for the county of Tuscola is held.) Said mortgaged premises are described in said mortgage substantially as follows to-wit: Lot number four of block number two, of Fox's addition to the village of Cass City, being in the county of Tuscola and State of Michigan. Said premises will be sold as aforesaid to satisfy the amount due on said mortgage, the cost of foreclosure and the interest which may accrue thereon between the date of this notice and the day of sale above mentioned.

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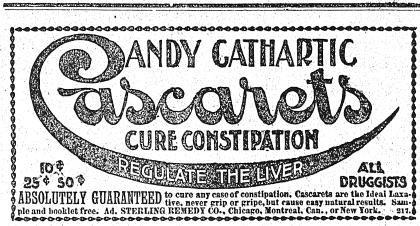
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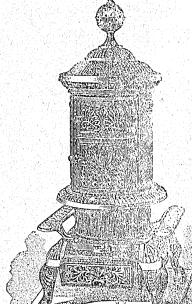
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M. E. Maturean was a Cass City cal-

Our merchants have put in a stock Chas. Gooden's new house is in the

honor of receiving the 2d degree, "The now using it in their practice with great Great Oriental."

Beauley is commencing to sling on some style, Orders have been issued to the effect that our front streets must be widened and all rubbish

Frank Wolf did business in Elkton

Thomas Marks was a pleasant caller Arnold Brown has become a member

making sleighs at present preparing

Monday morning. We wonder if Deford correspondent still thinks McKinley's prosperity has not come when apples sell for seventy it may be.

CANHORD.

Mrs. A. N. Freeman, music teacher,

grippe.

articles at C. A. Lambkin's. The most fastidious will be sure to find what

fortable. It afterwards rewarded him, by stinging and killing his children.

Post Mistress Abbott is on the sick

Andry Taylor returned home Tueslay from a three months visit at her

still failing and her recovery is very doubtful. Much sympathy is felt for

LENES VERIDARS

Dauffner Bros. are building a wagon

lv now-a-davs.

While Samuel Gettel, of Kilmanagh, through the leg. The accident occured about three p. m. Saturday and he lived until about 11 a. m. Sunday. The uneral took place on Tuesday.

long nicely.

on Orangeism in last issue.

In speaking of our population it should read sixty-five millions and

The Coming Woman. up and call it blessed. It is the medicine or women. Female complaints and Nervous troubles of all kinds are soon

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