



A PEACH.

A Slang Expression

Often enables one to express something more forcibly than any other. Therefore, when we tell you that our new spring line of

Shoes and Clothing

ARE PEACHES.

you will excuse us for it is the most expressive term we can use. Think of it, a man's all wool suit for \$20.00.

Special Bargains.

- 33 Men's suits to close at a bargain.
37 Boys' suits to close at a bargain.
32 Children's suits to close at a bargain.
62 Pr. Ladies' Dongola Button Shoes, 2½ to 4, \$2.50 to 3.50, now \$1.00 to 1.50.
56 Pr. Men's Congress and Lace, Black and Tan, 2.00 to 4.00 now \$1.25 to 2.00

Butter and Eggs Wanted.

J. D. CROSBY.

See our Bargain Counter.

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Continuation Sale

.. OF ..

Clothing, Shoes & Dry Goods

LASTS UNTIL

JULY FIRST.

Another sample line of Fine Hats in Fur, Crash and Straw at one-quarter off. Ladies' Jackets, Capes, Skirts and Waists Very Cheap.

We want your Butter and Eggs the same as cash.

2 MACKS 2.

Have You Heard the Talk?

No, what is it? Why everybody says that Laing & Janes are selling the most shoes of any firm in Tuscola Co. Why is it? Well, Mr. Plowman says it's because they have the best line of Plow Shoes for the least money and also a full line of Men's and Boys' Heavy and Light Shoes and Miss Looknice says they have a very fine Ladies' Shoe at \$2.00 which they guarantee. They have everything in the shoe line. Have just got in a new line of

SAMPLE SHOES

Which will go at wholesale prices until gone. An economical buyer of Dry Goods and Groceries said the other day that, although they did not advertise a sale every day, Laing & Janes always had some splendid bargains, viz:

Table Linen, white, per yd.....	10c
Table Linen, white, per yd.....	10c and upward
Unbleached Cotton, unequalled, per yd.....	4c and upward
Bleached Cotton, unequalled, per yd.....	5c and upward
Shirt Waist Goods, per yd.....	15c
Ladies' Ties.....	25 to 50c
Fancy Ribbons for Ties per yd.....	25c
Kid Gloves of every shade, per pair.....	\$1.00

LAING & JANES.

Butter and Eggs taken same as Cash.

Laces and Embroideries

New and Stylish at

FROST & HEBBLEWHITE'S

FOR CORSETS,

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SHIRT WAISTS

We know our line will please you.

A good seamless Ladies' Hose at 5c. Our supply of Groceries are new and fresh. Butter and Eggs wanted.

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Branches at Gagetown and Argyle.

Gagetown Manager—David Ashmore.

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For Sale.

The northwest quarter (N. W. ¼) of the northwest quarter (N. W. ¼) of section thirty-six, (36) in town fourteen (14) north of range eleven (11) east, containing forty (40) acres more or less and located about one and one-half miles from Cass City, Tuscola county. Offers for the above land are invited.

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69-4 Ann Arbor, Mich.

HOME HAPPENINGS

ITEMS OF PURELY LOCAL INTEREST.

See Stevenson's new adv
Don't overlook Ostrander's new adv.

C. W. Heller now rides a Rambler bicycle.

N. Bigelow & Son have a new adv. in this issue.

Hon. J. C. Laing, of Caro, Sundayed at his home here.

Dr. Morris, of Gagetown, was a caller in town Tuesday.

One of Tom Davis' family is confined to the house with measles.

Mrs. Della Wallace has returned from a month's visit in Uby.

A baby boy brightened the home of John Hunter on Sunday last.

J. W. Murphy and R. Panchier have each purchased new buggies.

W. A. Beach, of Owendale, did business in town Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Heller are visiting friends at Lansing this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Spurgeon visited friends in Marlette on Sunday last.

Mrs. Turner, of Port Huron, spent a few days visiting with J. S. McArthur.

D. Gillies and wife, of Kingston, were callers in town on Saturday last.

Len's I. Wood, of Port Huron spent Sunday with his parents at this place.

Three of John McBerney's family west of town are down with the diphtheria.

Rev. Lewis, of Caro, was the guest of W. M. Morris and wife one day of last week.

Bert Bertrand is spending a few days at his parental home at Sebawaing.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred R. Smithson are spending a few days at North Branch.

Mrs. McTavish and son Willie visited friends near Deford the latter part of last week.

Mrs. Fuller and daughter, Maude, entertained friends from Port Huron last week.

The Bay Port Hotel, G. S. Farrar, manager opened for the season of '98 last Saturday.

Mrs. Chas. Maynard and Miss Belle Gage, of Gagetown, were callers in town Saturday last.

A large crowd from this place took in the Free Methodist camp meeting near Argyle Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Wood returned last week from attending Mr. Wood's company reunion at Almont.

There will be no services at the Evangelical church next Sunday on account of the camp meeting held at Elkton.

Ned Johnson, of Gagetown, who has been attending school at Mt. Pleasant, was a caller in town on Saturday last.

Mrs. P. S. Rice and daughter, Lena, returned Saturday night after a two week's visit with friends in Detroit, Dryden and Attica.

E. O. Wood, Grand Recorder of the Loyal Guards will be here on Tuesday evening. All Sir Knights and ladies are requested to be present.

A special meeting of the Tyler lodge No. 317, will be held Saturday night. All members are requested to be present as there is some special work to be done.

The one year old child of Mr. and Mrs. John Harrison, living 2½ miles west and 1 mile south of this place, was buried in the Elkland cemetery last Friday.

Our ball team will cross bats with the Fairgrove team at Caro on July 4th. A large crowd will go along with the boys from here to help them keep up their good record.

John Atwell brought to our office on Saturday some strawberries of the Dutchess variety. They measured on an average of 5¼ inches around and they are the finest we have seen this year.

Mrs. McLellan, mother of James and Charles McLellan, of this place, died Saturday at the residence of John McLellan on Seegar St. She was buried Tuesday in the Catholic cemetery at Sheridan.

The Junior ball team of Gagetown came down last Saturday and played the High School Juniors here, and were defeated by a score of 5 to 10. The boys will play the return game there next Saturday.

The editor and wife are taking an "outing" this week, having left here Saturday morning. They visited with friends at Crosswell over Sunday and thence proceeded to the editor's former home at Tilsburg, Ont.

Quite an improvement has been made by the P. O. & N. R. R. at this place. Part of the west track, which formally was the main track has been removed and the train now comes in on the track next to the depot. This improvement will be greatly appreciated by the travelling public.

The Baptist Social Workers will give their next tea at Mrs. Gulies west of town on Wednesday, June, 29. Those wishing to go will please meet at 2 Macks store, where teams will be in readiness to take them from four to five o'clock. A cordial invitation is extended to all and a good time is assured.

I. A. Fritz dentist, is in attendance at the Tri-State dental meeting this week held at Put-in-Bay, Ohio. This meeting takes in Ohio, Indiana and Michigan and is held in one of the three states once in three years in place of the regular State meeting. The program is one that promises to be one of much interest to dentists.

The ninth annual fair of the Tuscola, Huron & Sanilac District Fair Association will be held on the 4th, 5th, 6th and 7th of Oct. 1898. The premium lists have been revised and are now in the hands of the printer and will be in readiness in a few weeks. Everything will be done to make the fair of '98 one of the best ever held.

A farmer who has had experience writes: "Every year I hear of caterpillars destroying whole orchards, and there is nothing to dispose of so easily. I bore a hole into the tree deep enough to reach the sap, fill it with sulphur then plug it up. The result is magical. The sap takes up the sulphur to every branch and twig and the caterpillar dies. I never knew of a tree to be injured by it and I have pursued it for years."

The First Free Baptist Church, of Novesta, will lay the corner-stone of their new church at Novesta Corners on July 4th, '98. Able speakers will be present from various places. Programme to commence at 10 a. m. and speaking at 1 p. m. Corner-stone laying at 4 p. m. A dinner will be given by the ladies of the church at 20 cents each. Ice cream will be served for supper. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

On Saturday last, at a raising of a big barn for Thos. Murphy, Hector McDermott, treasurer of Grant township, fell from one of the beams, a distance of sixteen or eighteen feet striking on his scoulder and forehead, fracturing the scapula or shoulder blade, and sustaining internal injuries, which for some time rendered him insensible, and were supposed at the time would prove fatal, but at this date we are pleased to learn that he is doing well and likely to make a good recovery.

Misses Mary and Elsie Murphy attended the marriage of their cousin, Viola Murphy to George W. Barrett, at Sanilac Center, Wednesday. The bride is quite well known around here and all join in extending congratulations.

The rainfall has been so copious this season that vegetation has made a very rapid growth and many weeks ago 'twas said that wheat was growing so fast it "couldn't stand up." Heavy rains followed after this condition had been reached and many a farmer, with a long-drawn face, has spoken despairingly of his wheat that had fallen to rise no more. But let us look at the hopeful side of the matter as well as a few facts. Cool weather has followed the rains and we are informed by a gentleman who has made a life-long study of such things that already the grain is commencing to rise and that it is probable that even the grain which is lodged the worst will rise sufficiently to be safely harvested. There is an old adage which says: "Cold and wet in May, fill your barns with wheat and hay," and the season thus far bids fair to verify the prediction. The June "freshet" used to be looked for regularly and river men anticipated it in order to get their logs down which had been land bound, but for many years it has been conspicuous by its absence, so that an old subscriber tells us that this season is more like the days of "auld lang syne" than he has noted for upwards of twenty-five years.

One of the most pleasing events in church circles that has taken place for some time was the first annual reception given by the Epworth League at the M. E. Church last Friday evening. It was gotten up and carried to a most successful finish by the Literary and Social Departments of the League, and all members of Y. P. S. C. E., the B. Y. P. U. and Y. P. A. were most cordially welcomed. About one hundred and fifty were present in all and seemed unanimous in pronouncing it a very enjoyable occasion. A program was first given in the main auditorium of the church in which representatives of each organization participated. Light refreshments were then served in the League room. The tables were profusely decorated with flowers and all was daintily arranged. Several toasts were then proposed and responded to in an edifying and pleasing style. The belief evidently prevailed that more of such gatherings would aid in breaking down "the middle wall of partition" existing between the different denominations and uniting them more in their efforts towards evangelizing the world. It is our belief that other gatherings of the kind will follow in other churches and that Christian work will receive an impetus thereby.

One of the most interesting characters of our town is Geo. S. Riker, living on Garfield Avenue. In speaking of his family history, he goes back to the year 1631 when three brothers named Riker came from Wales and settled on an island in New York Bay which was later known as Riker Island. They moved from thence into New Jersey. In 1815, Mr. Riker's father went from N. J. to New York state, settling near Elmira, from which place Mr. Riker came to Oakland County, Mich., in 1835. Michigan was then a territory, not having been admitted to statehood until 1837. The "Thumb" was not then surveyed and Capt. Park and his men, who had charge of that work, had quite an interesting story to tell of Wild Fowl Bay where birds were very numerous. In 1872 Mr. Riker and his brother bought Col. Richardson's mill at Tuscola and operated the same for four or five years. Then came the introduction of the roller process throughout the country and this connected with other reasons led him to give up the mill. He then took the Watrousville mill for a year and a half, when he moved to Caro and remained until '83. In that year he came to Cass City and took charge of the "white" elevator for Frank Miller and John Hoffebower, which he managed for three years. Mr. Hoffebower then assumed control and Mr. Riker entered the employ of A. G. Berney at the "red" elevator, in whose employ he remained for nine years, until the business was sold to Frutchoy, McGeorge & Co. His advanced years (being now 74) prevent him doing the heavier work of the grain business and he has not since been steadily employed. This season he has been in the market for wool and has handled a considerable amount. What Mr. Riker does not know about grains and produce is hardly worth knowing and we hope he may yet enjoy many years of activity.

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

The Baccalaureate.

On the evening of June 19th the Evangelical Church was filled by friends of the Graduating Class of '98. The neat and cheerful audience room was decorated in excellent taste with fine plants and flowers. The class motto—"This day we fashion destiny", was prominent in large lettering, the work of Artist Maier, on the wall at the back of the platform. A large congregation was waiting as the graduating class nine in number, preceded by Prof. Masselink entered and occupied seats reserved for them. A quartette Mrs. Dr. Wickware, Miss Laura Wickware, Mr. Edgar, Mr. Cassius Wood, Miss Mattie Wood, organist, with fine effect rendered, "Great and Marvellous" and "I Will Lift up Mine Eyes." This was followed by prayer offered by Rev. B. J. Baxter and a hymn sung by the choir and congregation. Rev. Mr. Klump introduced his sermon by reading the 14th chapter of Exodus in which is related the account of the Israelites confronted in the journey by the Red Sea. He took for his text a part of the 15th verse, "Speak unto the children of Israel that they go forward." It is impossible to give a satisfactory report of the discourse as it was so full of good thoughts. Important and interesting matter was presented in a scholarly manner and in trying to record a few good things that were said the writer is reminded of the greater number that must be passed by. Everybody listened attentively and if the members of the class remember and follow the teaching of their baccalaureate they will make a success of life and fashion a commendable destiny. The class and educated people are commanded to go forward in the face of all discouragements. They may not have the Red Sea to cross, but will meet with difficulties that will require like faith and courage. School and college work is only the beginning of education. It serves to show how boundless is the field of investigation and how little of it we now know. This consciousness is the ground work of all self improvement, and the best preparation for life work. The speaker made many instructive references to distinguished characters, quoted many wise sayings in proof of the need of continued advancement in order to make the most of talents and school day requirements in becoming really well educated. All this self improvement was shown to be a duty and yet there must be a higher purpose than this. A wise man of old said, "There is nothing valuable in knowing if it does not culminate in doing." This is the object of education to do for others. The world to-day is in need of educated leaders in all good work. All reforms of society are waiting for the influence of enlightened men and enlightened women. Educated people with the faith and courage to go forward against the evils of the day are in demand.

DISTRICT NEWS.

Gagetown will celebrate the glorious 4th in good old style this year.

Elkton will celebrate the 12th of July this year. Everything promises to be a grand success.

Joseph Moffat has about completed the erection of a fine substantial brick hotel at Elmer, Sanilac county. The house is already open to the travelling public and the finishing is being but on by the painters.

The Mayville summer assembly will be held this year from July 3rd to 10th and the program will certainly be an excellent one. The following are the attractions: Kerr & Johns, singing evangelists; Rev. T. L. Thompson, Hon. J. W. Giddings, Rev. C. R. Kollerman, Rev. Eugene Allen, Rev. J. Stansfield, Rev. J. M. Thoburn, Rev. W. T. Sheridan, Prof. W. H. Shaw, Rev. Frank Cookson and Ex-Sergt-Major Gusto H. Schoof, Christian Soldier of Africa. Walla Woodman, Bert Andrews, and John Houch, three truthful fishermen, when near the Big Chariy Island Monday, in a sail boat discovered a monster snake gliding through the water. They declare that the reptile must have been at least 40 feet in length and one foot in diameter. The snake raised its head nearly 10 feet out of the water, took observation of the surroundings and slowly disappeared. It is reported that the same snake or one similar in appearance and size was recently seen near the Heisterman Island, Sebawaing Blade.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to express our thanks to our friends and neighbors who so kindly assisted us in our late bereavement.

MRS. R. OTIS AND FAMILY.

A Letter From Camp.

19th Infantry Co. C.

TAMPA, FLORIDA, JUNE 12, '98.

Dear Editor:—As several of your subscribers have wanted to publish my letters I concluded to write you a note. The home people at Deford are mistaken if they think the 19th is divided. I enlisted at Fort Wayne, (Detroit, Mich.) on May the 3rd last and was booked for Mobile, Ala., where the regiment was in camp. A few days later our townsman (that you may well be proud of), Dick Landon, and all recruits that enlisted for the 19th after the 3rd of May were sent to Fort McPherson, Ga., which is a recruit's rendezvous to be drilled and equipped. While there they got a chance to transfer to another regiment that was going to the Philippines. Mr. Landon and some others volunteered to go, I was very sorry to learn he had gone, for he and myself were the only ones from the vicinity of Cass City or Deford to enlist in the 19th. The rest of the 19th boys at Fort McPherson will be sent to their regiment when properly disciplined or perhaps before the regiment goes to Cuba, which I think will be soon. There are several transports loaded with comrades in the Bay that started for Cuba and were ordered back to port. I can't give the reason for it, and there is several more to be loaded, and as we are regulars we will most likely be called on first to go, which we will be proud to do if they will sail as soon as we go on board for those who are loaded are packed in bunks like sardines. They are not allowed to go on shore, and it is very warm for them as well as very unhealthy, for they can't get a circulation of air. Since the soldiers came here some of these natives try to rob us by selling eggs for forty cents a dozen and part of them are little chickens, and milk for 10 cents a quart, pine apples for 25 cents, oranges 5 cents apiece, lemons 35 cents a dozen, water melons, 75 cents, bananas 20 cents a dozen and everything according to these prices.

Well they soon run out of goods, for we cleaned up several sacks three times before they knew what we wanted. In Mobile we had oranges given to us and bananas for 10 and 15 cents a bunch. But there are not very many more oranges this year, but they fell about two-thirds on the prices and everything is as quiet as the cool breeze of evening. We sleep on our blankets under trees at night, and it rained last night for the first time in ten weeks. Of course we went running around in the lightning looking for our tents and some of us had to sleep in the drink. We were a handsome lot to look at when daylight came. Some of our tents were blown down and some were blown up, but we enjoyed the bath although we take one in the bay every day, where the water is salty, and strange to say you don't sink in it nearly so easy as in soft water.

We have seen plenty of alligators but not in salt water. They tan their hides and snakes hides and use both for leather. The snakes are used to make belts, pocket-books and hand-bags. The alligator's leather is good for most anything. This is the finest country for a rich man to live in I have ever seen and I have travelled through fourteen states. But it is a negro's h—l for they are used worse than a northern dog. We seen one hanging to a tree when we came here from Mobile. I was on guard night before last over two U. S. safes in the Port Tampa Bay Hotel. It is the largest hotel in America. I was shown all through the main building. It contains everything that money will provide and takes in about forty acres of orchard and flowers. There is now about fifty men here and more arriving every day and for the last few days war ships are constantly arriving with empty transports so it does look war like to us Michigan farm boys but we will be there on that great day when Cuba is free. You can see artillery by the train load. Some pieces make two flat car loads. Last night a captain suspicioned a man and started to arrest him, he drew a revolver on the captain but he knocked it out of his hand and landed him one between the eyes and he stopped taking notes or sketches of America for forty minutes. So Spain is out that much, for he will probably take views of the next world before long. I would like to take a shot at him with the rest.

C. P. GOODRICH.

Free.

For all information, maps, pamphlets, circulars, etc., of Manitoba. The North West Territories and British Columbia write to D. L. CAVEN, Bad Axe, Mich.

A movement has been started in England to found a university scholarship in honor of Charlotte M. Yonge. The scheme is supported by the Princess of Wales, the Archbishop of Canterbury and many of the bishops and nobility. The memorial is in recognition of Miss Yonge's "great success as the pioneer of that religious and high-toned literature for young people, which for the last fifty years has been the special glory of England, and the admiration of America and other countries."

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Advertisements.

All changes of advertisements must be sent to this office no later than Wednesday noon of each week, else they can not be inserted in that week's issue. Reasonable rates are charged for display advertisements. Local notices in our paid local columns are five cents per line for first insertion. Notices of festivals, lectures, concerts and all entertainments of a money-making character are 25 cents a line. Resolutions of respect are charged for at the rate of one dollar for each insertion. Cards of thanks are twenty-five cents for each insertion.

The wide circulation of the ENTERPRISE in the counties of Tuscola, Huron and Sanilac, makes it a valuable advertising medium.

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Societies.

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A. A. MCKENZIE, Rec. Sec. 8-11-97.

I. O. O. F.
(CASS CITY LODGE, No. 203, meets every Wednesday evening at 7:30. Visiting brethren cordially invited.

I. K. REID, Secretary.

K. O. T. M.
(CASS CITY TENT, No. 74, meets the first and third Friday evenings of each month, at 7:30. Visiting Sir Knights cordially invited.

SAM. F. BIGELOW, Record Keeper.

L. O. L.
(CASS CITY LODGE, No. 214, meets on the first Tuesday evening of each month, at 7:30 o'clock. Visiting brethren cordially invited.

W. A. ANDERSON, Secretary.

Church Directory.

BAPTIST—Framing services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. on Sunday. Sunday school at 12 p. m. Prayer meeting on Thursday evening.

REV. J. R. KILPATRICK, Pastor.

EVANGELICAL—Services begin with Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Preaching services 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Y. P. A. meeting 6:30 p. m. English services every Sunday evening. All are invited. Rev. F. KILPATRICK, Pastor.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL—Framing services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday. Class meetings follow morning service. Sunday school at 12 p. m. Junior League at 3:30 p. m. Epworth League at 6:30 p. m. Prayer-meeting at 7:30 p. m. on Thursday evening. Rev. J. W. EMM, Pastor.

PRESBYTERIAN—Sunday preaching services, 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school at 12 p. m. Junior League at 3:30 p. m. Y. P. A. E. at 6:30 p. m. Prayer meeting on Thursday evening at 7:30. Rev. B. J. BAXTER, Pastor.

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Mrs. Mary A. Beard, Claremore, Ark.
Sold by T. H. Fritz, Druggist.

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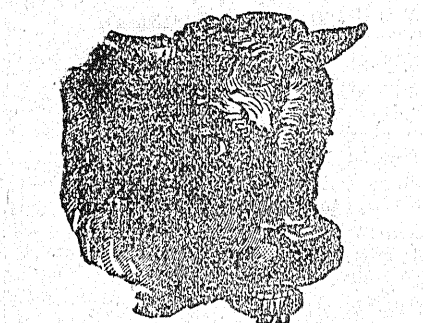
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J. S. DUNHAM, PROP.

GOING WEST:
Leaves Cass City, - 6 A. M.
Arrives at Caro, - 9 " "

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Meats of all kinds nicely served.
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EAST NOVESTA.

Mrs. Henry Warner is on the sick list.

Children's day was observed in the M. E. Church on Sunday.

Miss Silvia Sharp will stay with Mrs. H. Williams for a few weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Mosher were calling on the county line on Friday.

Mrs. Chas. Pettinger, of near Cass City, was calling on friends in this vicinity last week.

A goodly number from here attended the Free Methodist camp meeting West of Shabbons on Sunday.

Miss Hopeful Preston and Miss Emma Brown attended teacher's examination in Cass City Thursday and Friday of last week.

Ed. Dewey, of Evergreen, and Bertha, Daughter of R. A. Mosher, of Novesta, township, were united in marriage at Lamotte, Sanilac county, on Tuesday, June 14th, by the Rev. P. Upper. We extend congratulations.

To Cure Constipation Forever.
Take Cascarets Candy Cathartic, 10c or 25c. If C. C. C. fail to cure, druggists refund money.

KINGSTON.

Martin Van Tassel went to Melvin Monday.

W. I. Tillotson is visiting at L. A. Maynard's.

D. H. Griffin is working in O. Baker's blacksmith shop.

G. E. Hopps is having his property on Pine Street painted.

Mrs. H. C. Pelton and Mrs. L. A. Maynard went to Caro Saturday.

Wm. Siffert put down a new walk last week in front of his River Street property.

Frank Francis and James Copeland went to Port Huron Saturday returning Wednesday evening.

The Hustler went over to Caro Saturday and defeated the Caro team 17 to 5 but had to buy their own supper as the Caro boys seemed to think they could not afford to pay for the Hustlers supper. A return game will be played at Kingston Friday and it is hoped the Hustlers will treat the Caro boys as one team should another.

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WEST GRANT.

J. D. Bodey, visited friends in Elkland Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Thompson, of East Grant, visited relatives in town Sunday.

Messrs. L. Matthews and John McVicar, returned from Bay City Thursday.

Miss Edna Abbott, of Owendale, was the guest of Miss Mary McVicar, Wednesday.

Monroe Bros., are framing the barn timber for J. M. Williamson's new barn now-a-days.

Samuel Karr and daughter Miss Edna, of Popple, spent two days with friends in town last week.

Messrs. Mable Williamson and Edith Crea, wheeled to Elmwood Saturday, where they visited friends two days.

F. Reader made a flying trip to So-bowling Sunday, where he spent two days with friends before returning.

Messrs. Geo. Gibson and Wm. Owens, of Owendale were numbered with the callers in this burg Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Harp, returned to their home in Capac Tuesday after a few days visit with friends and relatives in town.

The ice-cream and stawberry social held in the Presbyterian church Friday evening was a total success. The proceeds amounted to \$14.

Rev. Graham, of Uby, delivers a grand sermon in the Presbyterian church every Sunday at three o'clock. You should come and hear him.

The number of our people who attended Children's Day exercises at Beaulieu were well pleased with the interesting program which has been rendered.

While Hector McDermott was engaged in assisting at the raising of Thomas Murphy's barn. He had the misfortune to fall fourteen feet to the hard floor below receiving severe injuries.

NOTICE.

We, the undersigned, do hereby agree to refund the money on two 25-cent bottles of Baxter's Mandrake Bitters, if it fails to cure constipation, biliousness, sick headache, or any of the diseases 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 guarantee one 25-cent bottle of either the above to prove satisfactory or money refunded. A. W. Seed and T. H. Fritz.

WOLFTON.

Rudolph Born done business in Elk-ton Wednesday.

Frank Wolf was calling on friends at Bad Sunday.

Wm. Evans and Mike Shean done business in Elkton Monday.

Mrs. Douglas and Sarah Krohn were at Kilmansh on Friday.

John Kundinger passed through here this morning buying cattle.

Mrs. Barnhart and son Mike, spent Sunday at Levi Muntz near Cass City.

Mr. Cliff, from near North Burns, was here yesterday looking for hired help.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Muntz visited the latter's sister, Mrs. W. F. Wolf, Saturday and Sunday.

Soloman and Oscar Kundinger, of Bad Axe, are visiting their grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wolf, for a few weeks.

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

CLIFFORD.

Hurrah for the ball boys.

Bert Booth is building an addition to his house.

Another ball game with the Silver-wood boys Friday next.

E. H. Moss is doing business in Buffalo, N. Y., this week.

The Misses Kennedy and Miller are visiting at Mayville this week.

A. Zimmerman, of North Branch, visited his sister Mrs. Merrill Monday.

Wm. Moyer who has been suffering with typhoid fever, is reported much better.

Quite a number of Silverwood's I. O. O. F.'s made a lodge a visit last Saturday night.

Thos. Finkle has been entertaining his father and mother from Gagetown this week.

Mike Shay in undertaking to stop a run away team was knocked down and run over and hurt very badly.

Children's Day exercises at the Baptist Church Sunday evening was very largely attended and was a complete success.

Mrs. E. Stiver has returned home from taking care of her daughter-in-law, Mrs. P. Stiver, who still remains very ill.

John Bass who has been staying with his grandma Mrs. Teeple during a severe attack of measles has recovered and returned to his work Friday.

Mr. P. Ketcham, of Pike City, Cal. says: "During my brother's late sickness from sciatic rheumatism, Chamberlain's Pain Balm was the only remedy that gave him any relief." Many others have testified to the prompt relief from pain which this balm affords. For sale by T. H. Fritz, Druggist.

GAGETOWN.

Our 4th of July posters are dandies.

Jas. L. Purdy is down with the grippie.

Clare Purdy Sundayed at his parental home at Caro.

Strawberries on the market this week at five cents per qt.

H. Fuller put on the first coat mortar on Moody's addition, Monday.

Will Carr, who has been visiting his parental home, returned to Flint Tuesday.

R. Klein proposes closing out his mercantile stock by Sept. 1st. Now is a chance to save money.

Geo. Caruthers, V. S., is about the busiest man here, as he has some 15 sick animals on his hands at present.

P. Purdy, of Caro, came here Friday to relieve his son, Jas. L. at the bank on account of the latter's sickness.

Our creamery people have got to change their by-laws as the statute limits the amount of shares to ten dollars.

Bolton & Ashmore, who has the job of painting G. A. B. Hall will have it completed by July 4th and that will please everybody.

Landlord Karr is bound that the Washington shall shine on the 4th. The painters and decorators are still at work and its going to be as neat as a new pin.

R. S. Brown received a letter Saturday from his son, O. Judd Brown, who is clerking in a store in Brooklyn, N. Y., in which he says tell the boys that Wednesday and Thursday, June 15 and 16th, he handled and sold 14,000 yards of goods during the two days.

Discovered by a Woman.
Another great discovery has been made and that too, by a lady in this country. "Disease fastened its clutches upon her and for seven years she withstood its severest tests, but her vital organs were undermined and death seemed imminent. For three months she convulsed incessantly, and could not sleep. She finally discovered a way to recovery, by purchasing of us a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, and was so much relieved on taking first dose, that she slept all night; and with two bottles, has been absolutely cured. Her name is Mrs. Luther Lutz. Thus writes W. C. Hannick & Co., of Shelby, N. C. Trial bottles free at T. H. Fritz's Drug Store. Regular size 50 cents and \$1. Every bottle guaranteed.

RESCUE.

Wet weather is delaying farm work. Our new P. M. takes possession July 1st.

The recent heavy rains have destroyed a large amount of standing wheat. Some fields look as if they had been visited by a cyclone.

Road work is finished for this year and our highway overseer is serving notices on the people to destroy all Canada thistles on their property. Furthermore, he seems to mean business.

We visited Gagetown one day last week and in drifting through its crowded avenues we found a printing office in the building formerly used as a saloon. After a short visit we went our homeward way thinking as did the printer's devil as he looked into the ink keg, "Out of the darkness cometh forth light." Where liquid destruction was sold to darken man's mind, now comes the greatest power of the world to enlighten. May you prosper in your undertaking with the Gagetown Times is our best wish.

To a man who is possessed of a skeptical turn of mind, the present condition of the war is a hard question for him to explain. If it is all chance work, why does not chance guide some of the Spanish shot to deal death and destruction among our men. After a careful study of the points advanced by Payne, Ingersoll or Darwin, we only can come to the one conclusion, there is a God in Israel and those on his side must and will surely win a greater and more striking illustration of the fact never before held up in our history for mankind to see.

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A Reply.

UBLY, MICH., June 18, '08
MR. JOHN McCracken,
Deford, Mich.

Dear Sir:—With pleasure I hasten to reply to your open letter of last week. Firstly, you seem to have understood me to represent Roman Catholics as being so far governed by their church that they could only sleep or wake at the bidding of the Roman See. I am not trying to spring a joke upon such a serious point but mean just exactly what I say. Your conception of our position is not right. The position was as follows: 1. The Pope is infallible. (Catechism.) 2. The Pope is the Supreme Teacher whom all the faithful are commanded by Christ to follow and obey. In our present war the Papacy is natural. By this plain statement the Pope has left American Catholics free to use their untrammelled thought. But what if he were not neutral? And moreover, what if he were a Spaniard by birth and sympathy? What if the Holy See declared us as a nation accursed? One of two things must immediately follow. Either the Roman Catholic must deny the teaching of his Church or he must betray his country. In one of the extracts quoted in our debate from the Catechism you will find the following: Ques. Why is the Church infallible? Ans. Because by the assistance of the Holy Ghost she is secured against error both in matters of faith and morals. Everyone is obliged under eternal damnation to become a member of the Catholic Church to believe her doctrines, use her means of grace and submit to her authority.

Ques. Is the infallibility of the Pope the same as that of the Church? Ans. Yes, precisely. Our position is just this that if from childhood Catholics are taught they must obey their church and submit to her infallible authority in matters of faith and morals on pain of eternal damnation that in the event of the Church decree being treason against the United States according to their own teaching they must on pain of eternal damnation turn their arms against our country. Any sane man observing the superstitious reverence with which Catholics regard their church ordinances must know the power of a church decree upon minds thus constituted. We do not for a moment state that the Pope thinks for all Catholics so that diversity in mind is excluded. We do say however that Catholic training as every other training exercises a powerful influence on later life and if these pernicious points are imbedded in the child they will be seen and felt in the man. Let us repeat that any system of education thus centering a supreme influence in the hands of a foreign potentate is not patriotic but the very opposite. We do not claim the church thinks for the Roman Catholics to the extent of telling him what he must eat or drink although in some cases as on Fridays it has actually gone as far as that. We simply take the position that the doctrine or the Pope's infallibility is an outrage on common sense, a treason to this state. If Catholics believe their Pope infallible they do not so believe President McKinley. Therefore if the decree of the Vatican differs from the ruling of our President, of course, the infallible must be right. Consequently by the only logic I know when it comes to a choice between the infallible and fallible, the infallible takes first place and the fallible second.

You seem to regard the present war as proof positive that the Pope's wishes have been trampled underfoot by American Catholics. It is well to recollect that he has simply declared his neutrality and permitted his followers in the United States and Spain to do as they please. In closing let me say I do not regard this as any test of the point at issue simply because the greatest factor has withdrawn himself. When the Vatican has lost his neutrality we may find a more satisfactory condition for judgment.

Yours Truly,
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LINKVILLE.

Chas. Maier wheeled over to Sebo waing on Sunday last.

Wm Gage and J. Holmes were in Bad Axe on Monday on the jury, returning on Tuesday.

A. E. Britzman, of Gagetown, was in town on Tuesday in the interests of the Gagetown Times.

Some of our young folks attended the ice cream social at the Brookfield church on Friday evening of last week and report a nice time.

Guss. Ertel has gone to Kilmanagh to work for the summer with the intentions of entering the shop with Mr. Schwitzer again next fall.

ELLINGTON.

C. J. King works the forty lately occupied by G. H. Brock on Sec. 22.

The angling road across H. A. Bailey's farm has been taken up by the corner of H. W.

A new line is now open for travel on the west end of quarter line running east through section 15, of Ellington.

P. E. Manley is spending the most of his time in the insurance and A. O. O. G. business in Tuscola county at present.

Darius Gould has a business trip to Saginaw this week for the purpose of purchasing a line of goods to replenish his store.

Eugene Rogers will have him a new house this summer. Frank Briggs, living west of Caro is the contractor building it.

A patriotic entertainment and supper will be given by the Ladies Aid on Friday evening of this week. The entertainment at the church and supper at G. H. Gould's hall, in Ellington. Charges for entertainment and supper, 25 cents.

NOVESTA.

M. H. Quick transacted business in Caro Saturday.

A. A. Divingston and wife visited in Elkton over Sunday.

J. Paul has purchased a new Champion binder from J. H. Striffler, of Cass City.

Mrs. J. Dodge and Mrs. H. Dodge, of Elmwood, visited at Mrs. R. H. Warner's Sunday.

Our thistle commissioner is on the war path this week. Watch for him and have your thistles out.

Mr. and Mrs. Harrison had the misfortune to loose their youngest child Saturday. It had only been ill a short time.

The ice cream social at the Baptist Church Friday evening was well attended and about eight dollars was realized.

Quite a number of our farmers who planted potatoes on low land report that they have rotted and will have to replant them.

R. H. Warner started on his summer vacation last week. We did not learn what summer resort he intends visiting this time.

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NOVESTA CORNERS.

Mert Crittenden is very sick with malarial fever.

Wm. and Minnie Derr, of Sanilac Centre, are visiting relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Huffman, who reside west of Deford, and Clarence Lowe and wife were the guests of D. McCracken and wife.

A large number of people of this vicinity attended the Free Methodist camp meeting held east of Shabbona on Sunday.

Last Tuesday evening Will Wilcox gave a dancing party and Thursday evening Frank Terry gave one. A good time has been reported from both places.

Farmers in general report that the recent heavy rain has damaged potatoes and beans which were planted, necessitating the replanting of same in many places.

It is understood that those who have the arrangement of the celebration of the 4th here are putting strenuous efforts forth to make it as pleasant as can be made for those who come to share in it.

Mr. Horner is erecting a large barn. Last Friday he had a raising. Over a hundred men were there and as it is customary to choose sides, Ben Hicks and Ed Lee were elected captains. B. Hicks' side won.

Bad management keeps more people in poor circumstances than any other cause. To be successful one must look ahead and plan ahead so that when a favorable opportunity presents itself he is ready to take advantage of it. A little forethought will also save much expense and valuable time. A prudent and careful man will keep a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy in the house; the shiftless fellow waits until necessity compels it and then ruin his best horse going for a doctor and have a big doctor bill to pay, besides one pays out 25 cents, the other is out a hundred dollars and then wonders why his neighbor is getting richer while he is getting poorer. For sale by T. H. Fritz, Druggist.

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Deford	8:25	8:30	8:35	Deford	9:30	9:35	9:40
Kingston	8:35	8:40	8:45	Kingston	9:40	9:45	9:50
Oxford	8:45	8:50	8:55	Oxford	9:50	9:55	10:00
Shoup	8:55	9:00	9:05	Shoup	10:00	10:05	10:10
Leonard	9:05	9:10	9:15	Leonard	10:10	10:15	10:20
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Clifford	9:45	9:50	9:55	Clifford	10:50	10:55	11:00
Cass City	9:55	10:00	10:05	Cass City	11:00	11:05	11:10
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Deford	10:15	10:20	10:25	Deford	11:20	11:25	11:30
Cass City	10:25	10:30	10:35	Cass City	11:30	11:35	11:40
Gagetown	10:35	10:40	10:45	Gagetown	11:40	11:45	11:50
Owendale	10:45	10:50	10:55	Owendale	11:50	11:55	12:00
Luxville	10:55	11:00	11:05	Luxville	12:00	12:05	12:10
Pigeon	11:05	11:10	11:15	Pigeon	12:10	12:15	12:20
Borne	11:15	11:20	11:25	Borne	12:20	12:25	12:30
Cassville	11:25	11:30	11:35	Cassville	12:30	12:35	12:40
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MICHIGAN NEWS SUMMARY.

Doings of the Week Recorded in a Brief Style.

CONCISE AND INTERESTING.

Michigan G. A. R. Encampment at Port Huron Selected a Detroit Man as Department Commander—W. R. C. and S. of V. Conventions.

Port Huron had the honor of entertaining the Grand Army of the Republic, department of Michigan, at its 29th annual encampment, and right well did the city act the part of host to the veterans, and at the same time took good care of the Women's Relief Corps and the Sons of Veterans' conventions, which were held simultaneously with the G. A. R. encampment.

The grand review parade, which is always a feature of the encampments, was witnessed by several thousand people and various portions were enthusiastically cheered.

The business sessions of the G. A. R. were held in the Auditorium. Department Commander Bliss in his annual address rebuked the slanders of the pensioners and characterized it as a despicable attempt to poison the public mind against the veterans. He advised the G. A. R. to advance the interests of the S. of V. and complimented the work done by the W. R. C. in its support of the grand army. The report of Adj. Gen. Pond, showed a membership June 30, 1897, of 16,096 in the department of Michigan and a membership at present of 15,331, in 383 posts. The death loss during the year was 338 while the net loss was but 265, indicating a gain in members of 73. Relief was furnished amounting to \$2,759.54. The total assets of all the posts of this state is given as exceeding \$55,000. The receipts of the department during the year were \$5,506.51 and the expenditures \$4,662.43; present cash assets, \$1,061.84, of which \$335.49 is in the Alger fund. During the year 1,000 headstones were placed over the graves of veterans.

The contest for the department commander promised to be quite animated, with Alex. Patrick and Maj. R. W. Judd, of Detroit; Commandant Judd, of the Soldiers' Home; Judge R. R. Peeler, of Three Rivers, and ex-Labor Commissioner Charles R. Morse, of Gratiot county, as candidates, but on the first ballot Comrade Patrick received 279 out of a total of 373 votes; Charles H. Morse, 48, Capt. Judd, 32; Maj. Judd, 15; scattering, 4.

For the other officers there was very little contest and ballots were taken in only a few instances. The result was as follows: Senior vice-commander, Moses F. Carleton, Port Huron; junior vice-commander, David C. Spears, Azalia; medical director, Dr. Oscar Palmer, Grayling; chaplain, D. Burnham Tracy, Detroit; assistant adjutant-general, Col. C. V. R. Pond, Lansing; council of administration, Ren. Barker, Reed City; Thomas Keyes, Ionia; H. S. White, Romeo; Ogden Tomlinson, Plainville; J. C. Bontecou, Petoskey.

A telegram of greeting and commendation was sent to Gen. Alger on the successful manner in which he has managed the affairs of the war department.

Petoskey was chosen as the place for holding next year's encampment. The other business transacted was of routine character. The veterans, their wives and sons were given a ride on Lake Huron on the steamers O. D. Conger and Hiawatha.

The Women's Relief Corps held their sessions in the Congregational church with nearly 200 delegates in attendance. The reports of officers showed the organization to be in a very flourishing condition. During the past year there was a gain of 508 members and 10 corps, making the present membership in Michigan 8,066, and total number of corps 254. Over \$6,100 was spent in relief during the year, and the amount on hand is \$1,753. The following officers were selected: Department president, Mrs. Mary A. Connelly, Flint; senior vice, Clara E. Torrey, Rochester; junior vice, Josephine A. Post, Port Huron; chaplain, Mary Van Doran, Holly; treasurer, Emma Chamberlin, Flint; secretary, Eunice Haynes, Flint; inspector, Mrs. Rose A. Dix, chief of staff, Mrs. Eliza A. Barker. A new secret work was exemplified.

The 15th annual camp of the Michigan Sons of Veterans was pitched in Pine Grove park, with 200 delegates present. The reports of officers showed the organization to have passed a very prosperous year. The present membership is 2,083, with 77 camps; 24 new camps having been instituted during the year. A greeting was sent to the Sons of Veterans company of the 33d Michigan regiment, encamped at Camp Alger. The following officers were selected: Commander, Geo. E. Cogshall, Grand Rapids; senior vice, S. A. Crane, Deerfield; junior vice, Fred W. Sherman, Port Huron; adjutant, F. D. Eddy, Grand Rapids; quartermaster, C. J. Post, Grand Rapids; mustering officer, Capt. E. E. Bennet, Mancelona; inspector, Louis Kantia, Muskegon; judge advocate, Capt. C. S. Guile, Belaire. Past Commander Cowden was presented with a sword and belt.

Gov. Pingree has pardoned James Appleyard, convicted at Cheboygan in 1895 of the murder of Daniel Gahan, who criminally assaulted Appleyard's fiancée. The governor's action in pardoning Appleyard meets hearty approval at Cheboygan.

Col. John E. Tyrrel, of Jackson, who, notwithstanding his record in the Michigan National Guard, failed to secure the command of one of the Michigan volunteer regiments, has visited Washington and secured a promise of a commission as a colonel of volunteers as soon as there is a vacancy.

The 35th Michigan Volunteers.

Having received positive assurance that Michigan would be permitted to furnish another regiment of volunteers under the President's second call, Gov. Pingree and the state military board went to work and by the time the formal order had been received from the war department the outline of the organization of the 35th Michigan volunteer regiment had been almost completed.

Adj. Gen. E. M. Irish, of the Michigan National Guard, was chosen as colonel of the new regiment, partially in recognition of his services at Camp Eaton. Quartermaster-General Wm. F. White, of Grand Rapids, was named for lieutenant-colonel. Majors, Lieut. H. H. Bandholtz, Lansing; Geo. Corns, Detroit; third not decided upon; adjutant, E. S. Roos, Kalamazoo; quartermaster, W. B. McDonald, Ionia; surgeon, with rank of major, Dr. O. P. Barber, Saginaw; assistant surgeons, with rank of lieutenant, Dr. H. A. Grube, Coldwater, and Dr. L. B. Sandell, Au Sable.

It was announced that the companies would be taken from districts not already represented. Companies will be drawn from the regions surrounding Alpena, Charlotte, Detroit, Wyandotte, Howell, Petoskey, Pontiac and Sanilac, and possibly from other communities. Then there will be one company of Sons of Veterans, who will probably be from all parts of the state. The officers will practically be picked out by Col. Irish. Men who may have been elected officers of independent companies will not stand any particular show. So far three captains have been practically settled upon. They are: M. A. Prince, of Alpena; A. E. McCabe, of Petoskey, and R. S. Lockton, of Charlotte. The officers of the S. of V. company will probably be men who are prominent in that organization.

Charlotte: The local military company recently organized by Sergt. Anness, of Ft. Wayne, Detroit, are in open revolt because of the action of the state military board in rejecting Anness as captain and appointing R. S. Lockton, a well-known politician of Marshall.

Two Men Drowned in a Diving Bell.

The search for the cargo of the lost steamer Pewabic, off Alpena, has resulted in the death of two more divers. The steamer Root, which has been working on the wreck with the Smith diving bell, reports that George G. Campbell, superintendent of the expedition, and Peter Olson, a sailor, have both been drowned in the bell. While the divers were working in the hull of the Pewabic the bell became fouled in the wreckage and it was some time before it could be raised. The bell had filled through one of the windows, which was found broken. Mr. Campbell was a prominent and wealthy man of Milwaukee, and leaves a widow and three children. Olson was not married.

Four divers have lost their lives in efforts to secure the valuable cargo of the Pewabic. William Hike, of Buffalo, died from exposure in 1895 and Oliver Pelkey, of Ashland, became entangled in the wreck in 1891 and was pulled to the surface dead. Capt. Phelps of the Root feels the accident keenly, and declares that he would not lower another man in the bell for \$10,000.

Michigan Naval Reserves Lose a Prize.

Kingston, Jamaica: The captain and officers of the auxiliary cruiser Yosemite, which is manned by the Michigan Naval Reserves, feel foolish and are thoroughly vexed. As the Yosemite approached Port Royal she passed a large steamer going out. No attempt was made to ascertain her name, but on arriving here the Yosemite's captain learned that it was the Spanish steamer Purissima Concepcion. The Yosemite, with other American cruisers, had been especially warned about this Spanish ship as she would be a rich prize. She is said to have \$100,000 in gold on board. Her cargo of food and medicine is destined ultimately for Cienfuegos and Havana. Capt. Emery, who is an old navy officer, is responsible for the error of not stopping her. A dispatch from Manzanillo, province of Santiago de Cuba, announces the arrival there of the Spanish steamer Purissima Concepcion, with food and medicines for the Spanish troops and carrying, it is said, \$100,000 in gold.

Michigan Boys to Reinforce Shafter.

It is now said that the brigade commanded by Brig.-Gen. Henry M. Duffield, of Michigan, gets the honor in the first expedition against the Spanish made up purely of volunteers. His brigade will be the first to be moved to Santiago to reinforce Gen. Shafter. The Yale and the Harvard are to carry this expedition, which will consist of about 5,000 volunteers in all. Each ship can carry 2,000 soldiers and their equipments. Gen. Duffield's brigade consists of the 33d and 34th Michigan and the Seventh Ohio. They will sail from Newport News, Va., before Sunday.

Another report says that Gen. Duffield's brigade will go to Fernandina, Fla., and embark with the Porto Rico expedition.

The Yosemite has been sent to Cienfuegos to intercept supplies being sent to Havana by way of the south coast of Cuba.

A match dropped on the floor of the D. O. R. & V. freight shed at Grand Lodge caused a fire which destroyed the building and contents with a loss of over \$7,000.

The Soo was visited by another disastrous fire when the Gabriel block and the store building of A. B. Roach were destroyed. The total is about \$25,000; partially insured.

Private Charles Wilson, Co. E, 31st Michigan, of Lansing, accidentally shot himself in the foot while practicing with a 38-calibre revolver at Camp Thomas, Chickamauga.

PINGREE AT CHICKAMAUGA.

Michigan's Governor Receives a Welcome at Camp Thomas.

Gov. Pingree, accompanied by Inspector-General Case, quietly entered the camp of the 31st Michigan regiment at Chickamauga, just a day ahead of the time he was expected. It was the intention of Col. Gardener to meet the governor at the depot with an army wagon, drawn by four mules and have the band ready to welcome him upon his arrival at camp, but the first notice the regiment had of his arrival, was when he got out of an old carry-all, driven by a Negro, and was recognized by a sentinel at the guard house. The news spread quickly through the camp and every one turned out to give him a hearty welcome. The men had just returned from battalion drill, and they ran to greet him. They crowded around him to shake his hand until Capt. Baxter, officer of the day, had them form in two lines, and the governor passed between them, shaking hands as he passed. Cheer after cheer was given. His excellency was then conducted to Col. Gardener's tent. He inspected the hospital and cook's tents and after dinner accompanied Col. Gardener to call upon Maj.-Gen. Brooke, Brig.-Gen. Poland and Q.-M.-Gen. Lee.

Gov. Pingree was visited later by officers and privates from regiments of other states and he was well pleased with the condition of affairs. A regimental drill was given in honor of the governor.

Elevator Fire at Byron.

The elevator and wool warehouse of F. E. Close & Co., at Byron, was totally destroyed by fire. The loss is estimated at \$20,000; insurance \$15,000. An Ann Arbor freight car loaded with beans also burned.

NOTES ON THE WAR SITUATION.

Secretary Alger says an ample supply of good water has been secured at Camp Alger by new wells.

Santiago is on the verge of starvation. All the food has been seized for the army and navy and the troops and sailors are on half rations.

During the recent bombardment of Santiago's forts one of the 13-inch guns on the battleship Massachusetts was disabled by a shell from the forts.

It is reported from Cuban sources that 5,000 Spanish volunteers have deserted in the province of Pucro Principe and have joined the Cuban army. Maj.-Gen. Brooke, in command at Chickamauga, has received orders from the war department that 15 of the best equipped regiments be designated for movement to Porto Rico.

Senor Du Bose, the former Spanish charge d'affaires at Washington, and Lieut. Carranza, the former Spanish naval attaché at Washington, have been "invited" to leave Canada.

Certain Washington correspondents continue to assert, on alleged high authority, that President McKinley intends soon to dispatch a fleet across the Atlantic to attack coast cities of Spain.

Mrs. J. Addison Porter, wife of President McKinley's private secretary, has joined the Red Cross society and gone to Key West as the assistant and adviser of Miss Clara Barton, the president of the society.

A dispatch from Cadiz, via Gibraltar, says: There is great excitement here owing to fears of the American fleet coming to Spain. It has been decided to send further reinforcements to the Balearic Islands, the Canaries and Ceuta.

Several Spaniards, among them a lieutenant, have walked into Camp McCalla on Guantanamo bay and surrendered in order to get something to eat. They say the Spanish soldiers about there are half-starved and would gladly surrender if they thought their lives would be spared.

After the defeat of the Spaniards at their base of operations near Camp McCalla by the marines and Cubans, the Oregon, Marblehead and Suwanee carefully picked their way through the channel several miles above Camp McCalla and fired upon a large Spanish force at Hicacal point. A Cuban scouting party soon after found 43 dead Spaniards.

According to estimates made by Adj. Gen. Corbin, the total number of troops left at Tampa is about 23,000. At Jacksonville it is estimated that there are about 8,000 men. This would make the entire strength of the forces most eligibly located for embarkation to Porto Rico 31,000 men. Out of this it would be possible to organize by the time the other preparations for the expedition are completed an army of 25,000 men thoroughly equipped.

It is said to be the plan of the Washington administration regarding Porto Rico to take complete control of the island and place it under American sovereignty. A military form of government will be inaugurated in all of the towns. This course is expected to prove beneficial and make friends of the most influential residents of the island. With a just and reasonable system of taxation and the enforcement of strict justice, the adherence of the residents of the island to this government is confidently expected. Maj.-Gen. Copinger will be the military governor.

A London cable says that the entire German East Asia squadron seems to be concentrating at Manila. There are now there the Kaiser, Kaiserin, Augusta, Irene, Cormoran, with a total of 1,605 men. It is said also that the steamer Petrarch is to leave for Shanghai for Manila with secret orders. Prince Henry of Prussia, who is kept constantly informed about the progress of the war, conferences between the German consul and Capt. Gen. August leads to the belief that Germany has designs on the Sulu archipelago.

MARINES AND CUBANS WIN

The Spanish Routed in a Battle Near Guantanamo.

CUBANS DID GOOD FIGHTING.

The Spanish Driven From Their Base of Operations Near Camp McCalla—Over 50 Spaniards Killed and Several Captured—Twice Red Hot Fighting.

In a bold dash against the Spanish guerrillas and regulars, who harassed them for four days, the American forces encamped on Crest Heights at the entrance to Guantanamo bay, gained a notable victory, having a band of Cubans as allies. They drove the Spaniards from their base of supplies, four miles from Camp McCalla, killed over half a hundred of the enemy, and took 18 prisoners. The only losses were two Cubans killed. Four other insurgents were wounded, as were two of the American marines. Twenty-three marines were overcome by the heat during the engagement.

The enemy was at a point four miles inland, where are the only wells within many miles. If the United States forces could drive them from that position it would be necessary for the Spaniards to retreat almost to the city of Guantanamo—10 miles—in order to get a supply of water. Capt. Elliott and Lieut. Neville and Mahoney commanded the marines, while the Cubans were under Col. Lohrke and Tomas. Our skirmish line discovered the enemy in an underbrush, half a mile from Ft. McCalla. Orders to attack were given immediately, and the Americans and Cubans rushed forward in splendid array.

The victory put the command in high spirits. The little black Cuban warriors waved their machetes and howled curses at the Spanish in savage fashion. Their firing had been wild throughout but they all displayed the utmost contempt for the Spanish bullets, apparently being absolutely without fear. The marines did not reach the American camp until nightfall, and as they had been without food since early morning, they were thoroughly exhausted. Col. Huntington believes the destruction of the Spanish camp and well will seriously cripple their bushwhacking operations.

Lieut. Francis Batista, one corporal and 16 privates were taken prisoners by the Americans and were placed on the warships in the harbor. From the prisoners it has been learned that the Spanish forces consisted of six companies of regulars with two companies of guerrillas, armed with Mauser and new Remington rifles. The captured lieutenant said he knew 68 Spaniards were killed and 200 wounded in the day's fighting, and he thought the total might be two or three times that. He also said that the sergeant and three privates who crept up and killed Privates McColgan and Dunphy, while they were on picket duty a few nights before, had been killed in the fight on the ridge.

Washington: The news from Admiral Sampson that the Spaniards had been repulsed by the marines and insurgents came as a great relief to army and navy officials, who thought that the position held was very precarious. The fullest credit is given to the insurgents for their timely work. The occupation of Aceraderos by the insurgent general, Rabi, is looked upon as a fine military stroke. The town is only eight miles from Santiago, and the large iron wharves afford good facilities for the unloading of the heavy artillery. The achievement of Gen. Rabi in making a forced march from Bayamo, 100 miles northwest of Santiago, is characteristic of the dash and military genius of that officer. In occupying Aceraderos Gen. Rabi had with him about 1,000 men, while Garcia is coming up with 5,000 to 6,000 more Cubans. The march of Rabi can hardly be appreciated by anyone not familiar with the mountains, swamps and tangled tropical vegetation through which he pushed his way. In making this march Rabi crossed the line of communication between the Spanish commander, Gen. Pando, at Holguin and the Spanish forces at Santiago. This fact makes it clear that Santiago is not likely to get reinforcements from Gen. Pando. In circling around Santiago to reach Aceraderos, Rabi, it is believed, has also established it as a fact that the lines of communication and relief to Santiago are interrupted and practically cut off in all directions.

Admiral Sampson cables that he is well satisfied with the assistance given by the Cuban forces about Santiago and Guantanamo. The dynamite cruiser Vesuvius was given her first test at Santiago. She fired three shells charged with gun-cotton at a fort standing upon a headland on the western side of the entrance to Santiago harbor, and each of the projectiles did frightful execution. As a shell was fired there was a slight hissing but no flame, no report, no warning to the enemy, but when the shell struck there was a terrific explosion. The firing of a 13-inch shell is a mere rattle compared to the deep and mighty roar. Clouds of earth, steam and timbers of immense size were thrown high in the air.

SHELLED SANTIAGO FORTS.

Sampson This Time Reduces the Outer Fortifications, Except Morro.

Rear Admiral Sampson's fleet has bombarded the batteries at Santiago de Cuba for the third time. For an hour the ships pounded the batteries at the right and left of the entrance, only sparing Morro, where Lieut. Hobson and his companions of the Merrimac are in prison. The western batteries, against which the main assault was directed, were badly wrecked. One was utterly destroyed. In others many guns were dismounted. At first the Spaniards replied passionately and wildly, but impotently. Then most of the guns were deserted. Not a ship was struck, not a man injured on the American side. It is believed that the Spanish loss of life was heavy.

As a preliminary the dynamite cruiser Vesuvius was given another chance. Three 250-pound charges of gun cotton were sent over the fortifications at the entrance. The design was to drop them in the bay back of the eminence on which Morro is situated, where it is known that the Spanish torpedo boat destroyers were lying. Two charges went through, as no reports were heard—a peculiarity of the explosion of gun-cotton in the water. Whether the destroyers were demolished is not known, but the destructive area of gun cotton is large, and it would not be surprising if it subsequently ascertained that one or both are destroyed. The third charge exploded with terrific violence on Cayo Smith.

Madrid: Admiral Cervera cables that a shell from an American warship at a high elevation, struck the Vizcaya, but that owing to her excellent armor the Spanish cruiser is not damaged.

Cadiz Fleet Has Sailed.

Washington: The state department has received the following dispatch from its agent at Gibraltar: "The Spanish ships Carlos V, Pelayo, Rapido, Patricio, Audaz, Osado, Prosperina, Girald, Predajo, Colon, with the minister of marine, Capt. Amun, on board; Alfonso Dese, Canadonga, Antonio Lopez, Isla Panos, Buenos and San Francisco have left Cadiz. The first eleven passed the Rock, bound for Carthage for orders; the last three have troops on board."

Madrid: Great secrecy is maintained here in regard to the destination of Admiral Camara's fleet. It is announced that Capt. Amun, after inspecting the arsenal at Carthage, will return to Madrid and organize a third squadron of warships. He sent a message to the premier that he was much satisfied with the condition of the squadron of Admiral Camara.

Madrid: There are a number of rumors in circulation as to the destination of Admiral Camara's fleet; one has it that the Spanish warships are now heading for Boston, Mass., with the intention of bombarding New England towns, and another report sets forth that the Spanish reserve fleet is going to the Philippines. The fleet, said to consist of over 20 vessels, is reported to have proceeded to different destinations. It has an enormous quantity of war material on board, including a mysterious new explosive.

Germany Threatens to Interfere.

A Paris cable says that the communications exchanged by high officials at Madrid, Vienna and Berlin, do not treat directly of peace, but that "an important view of the situation may arise out of Germany's hostility to the development of American intervention in the Philippine islands." In connection with the reported intention of the United States to occupy Ladrona and Caroline islands, it is pointed out that "Germany has long desired Ponape as a coaling station." As the Spanish cabinet does not consider the moment arrived to discuss peace, "the war party and the press interpret the international parleys as an indication of an understanding and a combination possibly leading to European co-operation against the United States."

Second Philippine Fleet Sails.

The second expedition of U. S. troops has sailed from San Francisco to reinforce Admiral Dewey at Manila. It consisted of 3,500 soldiers on the steamers China, Colon, Zealandia and Senator. The troops were under the immediate command of Brig.-Gen. F. V. Greene and comprised the following: First Colorado volunteer infantry; First Nebraska volunteer infantry; 10th Pennsylvania volunteer infantry; two batteries Utah volunteer light artillery; 18th U. S. regulars; 23d U. S. regulars. The third expedition will sail about July 1.

U. S. Troops Arrive at Manila.

Madrid: According to a dispatch from Hong Kong, four warships carrying the flag of the Philippine insurgents (evidently the U. S. troop ships) and the cruiser Charleston have appeared in Manila bay and attacked the city from the sea in combination with the insurgent forces on land. A special from Shanghai says that it is reported there that the American troops have arrived at Manila.

THE WAR SITUATION.

Germany has notified the state department that she has no intention of making an issue in the Philippines.

In spite of strong protests on the part of the colonels of the volunteer regiments at the front the war department insists on doing away with regimental hospital staffs and is creating division hospitals.

The brick fort and earthworks at Calanmanera, at the entrance of Guantanamo bay and opposite Camp McCalla where the U. S. marines encamped, and also at the end of the railroad leading to the city of Guantanamo, have been demolished by the bombardment of the Texas, Marblehead and Suwanee. The bombardment lasted an hour and a half.

WE TAKE HAWAII IN.

House Adopts the Annexation Resolutions—Will Pass the Senate.

By a vote of 209 to 91 the House of Representatives adopted the Newlands resolutions, providing for the annexation of Hawaii. The debate, which continued without interruption for four days was one of the most notable of this congress, the proposed annexation being considered of great commercial and strategic importance by its advocates and being looked upon by its opponents as involving a radical departure from the long-established policy of the country and likely to be followed by the inauguration of a pronounced policy of colonization, the abandonment of the Monroe doctrine and participation in international wrangles. More than 50 members participated in the debate. From a party standpoint the result was awaited with the keenest interest. The Republicans presented practically a unanimous support to the resolutions, but three Republican members voting in opposition. In the Democratic rank the division upon the question was more marked, 18 Democratic members voting for annexation. The vote in support of the resolutions was made up of 179 Republicans, 18 Democrats, eight Populists and four fusionists; the vote against annexation comprised 77 Democrats, three Republicans, seven Populists and four fusionists. The last day of the debate the discussion continued seven hours. Notable speeches were made by Messrs. W. A. Smith (Rep., Mich.), Berry (Dem., Ky.) and Hopburn (Rep., Ind.) and by Messrs. Johnson (Rep., Ind.) and Williams (Dem., Miss.), against the pending measure. Prior to announcing the vote, Mr. Dalzell, who in the absence of Mr. Reed, was presiding, said: "The speaker of the House is absent on account of illness, I am requested by him to say that, were he present, on this proposition, he would vote 'no.'" The announcement was applauded by the opposition to annexation. Mr. Dalzell then announced the vote: Yeas, 309; nays, 91; present, 5, as follows:

The resolutions adopted, in a preamble relate the offer of the Hawaiian republic to cede all of its sovereignty and absolute title to the government and crown lands, and then by resolution accept the cession and declare the islands annexed. The resolutions provide for a commission of five, two of whom shall be resident Hawaiians, to recommend to congress such legislation as they may deem advisable. The public debt of Hawaii, not to exceed \$4,000,000, is assumed, Chinese immigration is prohibited, all treaties with other powers are declared null and it is provided that until congress shall provide for the government of the islands all civil, judicial and military powers now exercised by the officers of the existing government shall be exercised in such manner as to the President of the United States shall direct, and he is given power to appoint persons to put in effect a provisional government for the islands.

Sampson Secures a Cable.

Washington: The war department has received information that its officials have secured an end of one of the cables running out from Cuba, and which, when properly connected, will give Admiral Sampson direct communication with the department at Washington.

Gen. Shafter Arrives at Santiago.

A cable from Mole St. Nicholas says Gen. Shafter's army of 15,000 men on 40 transports, has arrived off Guantanamo and Santiago. Landing of troops was begun at once. The first step was the reinforcement of the marines at Camp McCalla.

A cablegram from Hong Kong says that the Spanish governor of Manila has offered repeatedly to surrender, but his army will not permit it. They hope for reinforcements. The report that Manila is occupied by Aguinaldo is not authentic.

THE MARKETS.

LIVE STOCK.			
New York—Cattle	Sheep	Lambs	Hogs
Best grades...\$4.00@4.25	\$4.00	\$7.15	\$4.35
Lower grades...3.50@4.15	3.00	5.75	4.10
Chicago.			
Best grades...3.00@3.35	5.00	6.50	4.05
Lower grades...2.50@3.15	4.25	5.50	3.85
Detroit.			
Best grades...4.50@4.85	4.75	6.25	4.00
Lower grades...3.00@4.40	3.25	5.50	3.80
Buffalo.			
Best grades...4.00@4.25	4.75	5.80	4.05
Lower grades...3.00@3.60	3.50	5.00	3.85
Cleveland.			
Best grades...4.00@4.30	4.25	6.00	4.00
Lower grades...3.00@3.85	3.00	5.00	3.80
Cincinnati.			
Best grades...4.00@4.50	4.15	6.25	4.00
Lower grades...3.00@4.00	3.00	5.50	3.80
Pittsburg.			
Best grades...4.50@5.00	4.75	6.25	4.20
Lower grades...3.00@4.75	3.25	5.50	4.00

GRAIN, ETC.			
Wheat.	Corn.	Oats.	White
No. 2 red	No. 2 mix	No. 2	No. 3
New York 89.78	37.37	32.32	32.32
Chicago 82.72	32.32	29.29	29.29
Detroit 90.30	34.34	29.29	29.29
Toledo 86.84	33.33	27.27	27.27
Cincinnati 81.81	33.33	26.26	26.26
Cleveland 81.81	33.33	26.26	26.26
Pittsburg 80.80	31.31	26.26	26.26
Buffalo 80.80	31.31	26.26	26.26
—Detroit—Hay, No. 1 Timothy, \$5.50 per ton. Potatoes, new southern, \$1.00 per bu; old Michigan, \$1.00. Live Poultry, turkeys, 10c per lb; chickens, 7c; ducks, 7c. Eggs, strictly fresh, 95c per doz. Butter, dairy, 12c per lb; creamery, 10c.			

Aguinaldo's Proclamation.

A proclamation issued by Aguinaldo, leader of the Philippine insurgents, prohibits any attempts at peace negotiations with the Spaniards and declares any Spaniards parleying without a flag of truce will be shot as spies. The United States government, he says, is coming to aid them and free them from tyranny, considering them capable of self-government as a civilized people. To retain the good offices of that great nation, they must abstain from robbery and plunder and the violation of persons and property.

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BALLOONS IN THE NAVY.

How They May Be Used for the Purpose of Spying on the Enemy—Great Aid to the Admirals or Fleets.

Balloons are going to play an important part in the work of our navy around Cuba, and each day of delayed action will make them more needful in observing the Spaniards' strengthened lines of defense.

The tortuous waterways and the generally land-locked nature of the harbors, their narrow retreats, entrances, and the excellent retreats the wide reaches of water offer to their ships make it imperative that we have some fairly safe and reliable means of making reconnaissance of the Spaniards' positions. The fighting tops, yes, even the mastsheads, are of little avail for observation at the distances imposed by the watchful batteries of the enemy, and the captive balloon alone solves the difficulty. This is especially so where high promontories like those of Santiago de Cuba and San Juan completely shut out the harbor from view and make hitting a fleet therein mere guesswork. Recent experiments in Germany, France and Russia have emphasized the importance of the captive balloon in widening a fleet's powers of observation, just in the same way that the captive balloon will serve the army; and the patient trials and study of the Germans have evolved a curious aerostat that by virtue of its shape and peculiar properties is especially well adapted to the greater range of naval work, and it is quite safe to say our own balloons will embody the general features of the German design.

The balloons will really be three balloons acting in concert. The first and largest is like an immense sausage, and bears the main burden of the load. The second is somewhat similar in shape, but hugs the lower end of the big balloon like a creeping caterpillar. This second and smaller balloon acts principally in the capacity of a rudder, and aids materially in holding the balloon in a peculiar position, while the third and small spherical balloon trails along independently behind at some distance and serves in the same steadying capacity that a kite's tail does. In action, this triple balloon floats with great steadiness or immobility when not under way—something impossible in the pear-shaped affair familiar to all of us.

The observation car is pendant from the main balloon, which poises in the air at an angle of about 45 degrees, practically like the position of the kite common to every school boy, and it is just in that way that the force of the wind is utilized to increase the balloon's buoyancy and to subserve also that peculiarly marked steadiness or directness of flight.

Made up, as it is, in three separate parts, it is less liable to total and instant collapse in case of puncture, and it is even possible to secure a wider margin of safety by subdividing the interior by thin membranous walls and fitting them with little valves somewhat like those now used on a bicycle tire, which would enable the balloon to be filled, but which at the same time would shut off automatically an injured compartment by virtue of the unimpaired force of the neighboring good ones. A happy chance shot that might damage one or even two of the compartments would only cause the balloon to sink slowly like an exhausted bird, and would either enable the aeronauts to prepare for a jump in safety or permit the balloon to be drawn beyond the reach of further attack before touching the water. These balloons are built up in sections out of a wonderfully light but very tough fabric of silk—a strip a yard long being equal to bearing a burden of half a ton, and a balloon capable of raising a party of four persons will scarcely weigh more than a good-sized boy of 10.

The special advantages of the balloon for naval work were discovered so recently as 1894. In that year the Russian monitor *Rusalka* foundered with all hands in the Gulf of Finland. An expedition, under Colonel Nicolas d'Orloff, undertook to discover the location of the lost vessel by using a captive balloon for the purposes of submarine observation, and while he was unable to find the craft, still the results of his search were fruitful in valuable information for future naval purposes. The balloon, which was held captive by a large naval transport fitted up for the service, ascended to altitudes varying from 650 to something just over 1,400 feet. Two observers, who were relieved every three hours, were constantly in the car, and it was found that the naked eye was better adapted to discerning objects at the bottom of the sea than were the aid of telescopes or glasses. With a favorable light rocks and sandbanks were clearly defined at depths of from 19 to 23 feet. Large, light sandbanks—such as prevail about Cuba—could be seen more or less distinctly, depending upon the color of the water, at a depth of even 40 feet, but it was not possible to distinguish the details of objects so deeply submerged. The view from the car reached to a distance of quite 45 miles, and it was possible to hear the sound of distant cannonading which was inaudible to persons on land. Objects on the surface of the water were more easily detected than they could have been on land, and the character of distant craft, whether mercantile or naval, was easily discoverable; and,

finally, it was found that the steadiness of their currents over the water made certain delicate observations possible where the broken currents over the land would have made them prohibitive.

Backed by the reflecting bottom sand about the Cuban ports, explosive mines in the shallower water will stand out strongly silhouetted, as would also other obstructions opposed to our ships' approach—something that could not be detected with safety in any other way. This seems a strange power of the air, but it is only because the eye is carried above the highest angle of the sun's reflected light, and the water becomes as a sheet of glass faced squarely with the light behind one's head.

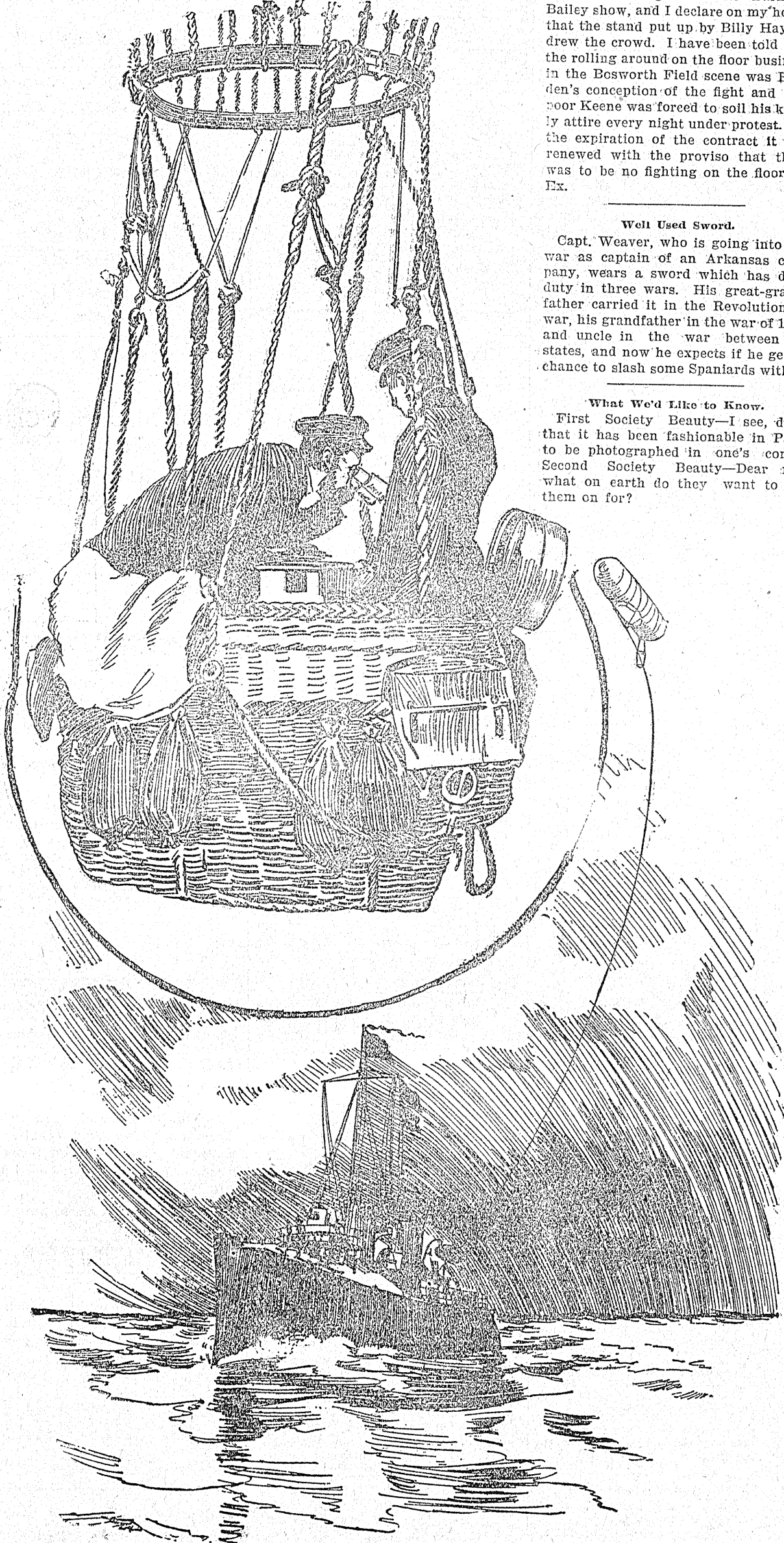
With a modern equipment of long-distance or telescopic photography it is possible, from a base so steady as one of these balloons, to take pictures of the enemy's coast, forts, hidden batteries and the locations of his vessels and his vulnerable positions. This is not speculation, but an accomplished fact.

Now let us see how the work will be done in all probability. One of the auxiliary vessels will be assigned each fleet to serve as a balloon depot ship, and a good wide stretch of deck will be set apart for the stowage of the balloon, its inflating and for its ascension and subsequent return. The hydrogen gas will be made either down below and supplied by pipe to the balloon on deck, or stored, under great pressure, in stout steel cylinders, which

can be carried where most convenient and fed directly into the great folds of the "aerostat." When all is ready, the observing officers step into the car, a fine steel rope, under mechanical control, is let out, and the balloon rises like a great kite high into the air.

The ship gets under way, and, with the balloon appearing scarcely larger than a good-sized orange, starts in toward the coast on its mission of observation and detection. Telephonic communication is kept up with the occupants in the car, and the direction and the speed of the craft are at once responsive to the guidance of the watchers in that tiny car a quarter of a mile above. When they have completed their reconnaissance the winding machine is started, and they are quickly and easily drawn down, while a little skillful maneuvering lands them on deck and the nimble seamen soon have the balloon snugly anchored and covered against mishap. The work can be carried on night or day and with wider applications than possible to a fixed military base, and its use on board a naval craft as an auxiliary to operations of the army would be of inestimable value.

The illustration depicts the balloon moored to a speeding torpedo boat and the result, perhaps, of a very good night's work in our behalf. The balloon has ascended from the depot ship as usual, but when he first went out as a tragedian under the management of Mr. W. R. Hayden, he got down on the floor of the stage in his encounter and fairly dragged himself across the "field," knocking things right and left, while the gallery caused the roof of the house to sag. When Keene secured Hayden for his manager it was understood that Hayden was to bill the show and manage it as he pleased. There was never anything in the line of gorgeous lithographing that surpassed Hayden's posters during the first two seasons in the West. The Bosworth Field scene took up nine-tenths of the big sheets, and if there was any color overlooked I never heard of it. I was in a town where Hayden had billed his attraction along with the Barnum-Bailey show, and I declare on my honor that the stand put up by Billy Hayden drew the crowd. I have been told that the rolling around on the floor business in the Bosworth Field scene was Hayden's conception of the fight and that poor Keene was forced to sell his kingly attire every night under protest. At the expiration of the contract it was renewed with the proviso that there was to be no fighting on the floor!"—EX.



MAKING OBSERVATIONS FROM A WARSHIP.

sible for the foe to guard against before an assault be made.

Blanco also has balloons, but they are hampered by the fixed base essential to military operations and the shifting courses of the land breezes, but we shall have a system of espionage second to none—not even his coastwise telegraph; and whether it be for the massing of troops, the successful bombardment by only one small gunboat, or the grand, concerted action of an entire fleet, we shall have the amplest means of information with the least exposure of life.

We shall watch our enemy even while he sleeps, and the first thing he shall see as he looks up from the land still clothed in the gray of dawn, will be our guardian high above and touched by the first glint of the coming day—an omen of heaven's guidance and a promise of golden victory.

ROBERT G. SKERRETT.

KEENE'S "RICHARD."

The Actor's Fight on the Floor That Represented the Bosworth Field.

"Thomas W. Keene was the only Richard who ever finished a fight on Bosworth Field to the satisfaction of the gallery," said a Western man in speaking of the tragedian, whose death on Staten Island has occurred recently. "In his later years Mr. Keene quit this, but when he first went out as a tragedian under the management of Mr. W. R. Hayden, he got down on the floor of the stage in his encounter and fairly dragged himself across the 'field,' knocking things right and left, while the gallery caused the roof of the house to sag. When Keene secured Hayden for his manager it was understood that Hayden was to bill the show and manage it as he pleased. There was never anything in the line of gorgeous lithographing that surpassed Hayden's posters during the first two seasons in the West. The Bosworth Field scene took up nine-tenths of the big sheets, and if there was any color overlooked I never heard of it. I was in a town where Hayden had billed his attraction along with the Barnum-Bailey show, and I declare on my honor that the stand put up by Billy Hayden drew the crowd. I have been told that the rolling around on the floor business in the Bosworth Field scene was Hayden's conception of the fight and that poor Keene was forced to sell his kingly attire every night under protest. At the expiration of the contract it was renewed with the proviso that there was to be no fighting on the floor!"—EX.

Well Used Sword.

Capt. Weaver, who is going into the war as captain of an Arkansas company, wears a sword which has done duty in three wars. His great-grandfather carried it in the Revolutionary war, his grandfather in the war of 1812, and uncle in the war between the states, and now he expects if he gets a chance to slash some Spaniards with it.

What We'd Like to Know.

First Society Beauty—I see, dear, that it has been fashionable in Paris to be photographed in one's corset. Second Society Beauty—Dear me! what on earth do they want to put them on for?

A Brave Coward.

By Robert Louis Stevenson.

CHAPTER V.—(Continued.)

"Miss Huddleston—" I was beginning to interrupt him when he, in turn, cut in brutally:

"You hold your tongue," says he; "I am speaking to that girl."

"That girl, as you call her, is my wife," said I, and my wife only leaned a little nearer, so that I knew she had affirmed my words.

"You're what?" he cried. "You lie!"

"Northmour," I said, "we all know you have a bad temper, and I am the last man to be irritated by words. For all that I propose that you speak lower, for I am convinced that we are not alone."

He looked round him, and it was plain my remark had in some degree sobered his passion. "What do you mean?" he asked.

I only said one word, "Italians."

He swore a round oath and looked at me from one to the other.

"Mr. Cassilis knows all that I know," said my wife.

"What I want to know," he broke out, "is where the devil Mr. Cassilis comes from, and what the devil Mr. Cassilis is doing here. You say you are married; that I do not believe. If you were, Graden Floe would soon divorce you; four minutes and a half. Cassilis, I keep my private cemetery for my friends."

"It took somewhat longer," said I, "for that Italian."

He looked at me for a moment half dazed, and then, almost civilly, asked me to tell my story. "You have too much the advantage of me, Cassilis," he added. I complied, of course, and he listened, with several ejaculations, while I told him how I had come to Graden; that it was I whom he had tried to murder on the night of the landing; and what I had subsequently seen and heard of the Italians.

"Well," said he, when I had done, "it is here at last; there is no mistake about that, and what, may I ask, do you propose to do?"

"I propose to stay with you and lend a hand," said I.

"You are a brave man," he returned, with a peculiar intonation.

"I am not afraid," said I.

"And so," he continued, "I am to understand that you two are married?"

And you stand up to it before my face, Miss Huddleston?"

"We are not yet married," said Clara, "but we shall be as soon as we can."

"Bravo!" cried Northmour, "and the bargain?"

"D— I, you're not a fool, young woman; I may call a spade with you. How about the bargain? You know as well as I do what your father's life depends upon. I have only to put my hands under my coat-tails and walk away, and his throat would be cut before the evening."

"Yes, Mr. Northmour," returned Clara, with great spirit; "but that is what you will never do. You made a bargain that was unworthy of a gentleman; but you are a gentleman for all that, and you will never desert a man whom you have begun to help."

"Aha!" said he. "You think I will give my yacht for nothing? You think I will risk my life and liberty for love of the old gentleman; and then, I suppose, be best man at the wedding, to wind up? Well," he added, with an odd smile, "perhaps you are not altogether wrong. But ask Cassilis here. He knows me. Am I a man to trust? Am I safe and scrupulous? Am I kind?"

"I know you talk a great deal, and sometimes, I think, very foolishly," replied Clara. "But I know you are a gentleman, and I am not in the least afraid."

"She's a trump!" cried Northmour. "But she's not yet Mrs. Cassilis. I say no more. The present is not for me."

Then my wife surprised me.

"I leave you here," she said, suddenly. "My father has been too long alone. But remember this: you are to be friends, for you are both good friends to me."

"See here, Northmour," said I; "we are all in a tight place, are we not?"

"I believe you, my boy," he answered, looking me in the eyes, and with great emphasis. "We have all hell upon us, that's the truth. You may believe me or not, but I'm afraid of my life."

"Tell me one thing," said I. "What are they after, these Italians? What do they want with Mr. Huddleston?"

"Don't you know?" he cried. "The black old scamp had Carbonari funds on a deposit—two hundred and eighty thousand; and, of course, he gambled it away in stocks. There was to have been a revolution in the Tridentino, or Parma, but the revolution is off, and the whole wasps' nest is after Huddleston. We shall all be lucky if we can save our skins."

"The Carbonari!" I exclaimed; "God help him, indeed!"

"And now let us go directly to the fort," said Northmour, and he began to lead the way through the rain.

CHAPTER VI.

We were admitted to the pavilion by Clara, and I was surprised by the completeness and security of the defenses. A barricade of great strength, and yet easy to displace, supported the door against any violence from without; and the shutters of the dining-room, into which I was led directly, and which was feebly illuminated by a lamp, were even more elaborately fortified. The panels were strengthened by bars and cross-bars; and these, in their turn, were kept in position by a

system of braces and struts, some abutting on the floor, some on the roof, and others, in fine, against the opposite wall of the apartment.

Northmour produced some cold meat, to which I eagerly set myself, and a bottle of good Burgundy, by which, wet as I was, I did not scruple to profit. I have always been an extreme temperance man on principle; but it is useless to push principle to excess, and on this occasion I believe that I finished three-quarters of the bottle. As I ate, I still continued to admire the preparations for defense.

"We could stand a siege," I said at length.

"Ye—es," drawled Northmour; "a very little one, per—haps. It is not so much the strength of the pavilion I misadmit; it is the double danger that kills me. If we get to shooting, wild as the country is, some one is sure to hear it, and then—why, then, it's the same thing, only different, as they say, caged by law, or killed by Carbonari. There's the choice. It is a devilish bad thing to have the law against you in this world, and so I tell the old gentleman up stairs. He is quite of my way of thinking."

"Speaking of that," said I, "what kind of person is he?"

"Oh, he?" cried the other; "he's a rancid fellow as far as he goes. I should like to have his neck wrung tomorrow by all the devils in Italy. I am not in this affair for him. You take me? I made a bargain for Miss's hand and I mean to have it, too."

"That, by the way," said I, "I understand. But how will Mr. Huddleston take my intrusion?"

"Leave that to Clara," returned Northmour.

I could have struck him in the face for this coarse familiarity; but I respected the truce, as, I am bound to say, did Northmour, and so long as the danger continued not a cloud arose in our relation. I bear him this testimony with the most unfeigned satisfaction; nor am I without pride when I look back upon my own behavior. For surely no two men were ever left in a position so invidious and irritating.

As soon as I had done eating we proceeded to inspect the lower floor. Window by window we tried the different supports, now and then making an inconsiderable change; and the strokes of the hammer sounded with startling loudness through the house. I proposed, I remember, to make loopholes; but he told me they were already made in the windows of the upper story.

It was an anxious business, this inspection, and left me down-hearted. There were two doors and five windows to protect and counting Clara, only four of us to defend them against an unknown number of foes. I communicated my doubts to Northmour, who assured me with unmovable composure that he entirely shared them.

"Before morning," said he, "we shall all be butchered and buried in Graden Floe. For me that is written."

I could not help shuddering at the mention of the quicksand, but reminded Northmour that our enemies had spared me in the wood.

"Do not flatter yourself," said he. "Then you were not in the same boat with the old gentleman; now you are. It's the foe for all of us, mark my words."

I trembled for Clara, and just then her dear voice was heard calling us to come upstairs. Northmour showed me the way, and when he had reached the landing, knocked at the door of what used to be called "My Uncle's Bedroom," as the founder of the pavilion had designed it especially for himself.

"Come in, Northmour; come in, dear Mr. Cassilis," said a voice from within.

Pushing open the door, Northmour admitted me before him into the apartment. As I came in I could see the daughter slipping out by the side door into the study, which had been prepared as her bedroom. In the bed, which was drawn back against the wall, instead of standing, as I had last seen it, boldly across the window, sat Bernard Huddleston, the defaulting banker. Little as I had seen of him by the shifting light of the lantern on the links, I had no difficulty in recognizing him for the same.

He had a long and salow countenance, surrounded by a long beard and side whiskers. His broken nose and high cheek-bones gave him somewhat the air of a Kalmuck, and his light eyes shone with the excitement of a high fever. He wore a skull-cap of black silk; a huge Bible lay open before him on the bed, with a pair of gold spectacles in the place, and a pile of other books lay on the stand by his side. The green curtains lent a cadaverous shade to his cheek, and, as he sat propped on pillows, his great stature was painfully hunched, and his head protruded till it overhung his knees. I believe if he had not died otherwise, he must have fallen a victim to consumption in the course of but a very few weeks.

He held out to me a hand, long, thin and disagreeably hairy.

"Come in, come in, Mr. Cassilis," said he. "Another protector—ahem!—another protector. Always welcome as a friend of my daughter's. Mr. Cassilis, how they have rained about me, my daughter's friends! May God in heaven bless and reward them for it!"

I gave him my hand; of course, because I could not help it, but the sympathy I had been prepared to feel for Clara's father was immediately soured by his appearance and the wheedling, unreal tones in which he spoke.

"Cassilis is a good man," said Northmour, "worth ten."

"So I hear," cried Mr. Huddleston eagerly; "so my girl tells me. Ah, Mr. Cassilis, my sin has found me out, you see! I am very low, very low! but I hope equally penitent. We must all come to the throne of grace at last, Mr. Cassilis. For my part, I come late indeed, but with unfeigned humility, I trust."

"Fiddle-de-dee!" said Northmour roughly.

"No, no, dear Northmour!" cried the banker. "You must say that; you must not try to shake me. You forget, my dear, good boy, you forget I may be called this very night before my Maker."

His excitement was pitiful to behold, and I felt myself growing indignant with Northmour, whose infidel opinions I well knew and heartily derided, as he continued to taunt the poor sinner out of his humor of repentance.

"Pooh, my dear Huddleston!" said he. "You do yourself injustice. You are a man of the world inside and out, and were up to all kinds of mischief before I was born. Your conscience is tanned like South American leather—only you forget to tan your liver, and that, if you will believe me, is the seat of the annoyance."

"Rogue! rogue! bad boy!" said Mr. Huddleston, shaking his finger. "I am no precisian, if you come to that; I always hated a precisian; but I never lost hold of something better through it all. I have been a bad boy, Mr. Cassilis; I do not seek to deny that; but it was after my wife's death, and you know, with a widower, it's a new thing. Sinful—I won't say so, but there is a gradation, we shall hope. And talking of that—Hark!" he broke out suddenly, his hand raised with interest and terror. "Only the rain, bless God!" he added, after a pause, and with indescribable relief.

For some seconds he lay back among the pillows like a man near to fainting; then he gathered himself together, and, in somewhat tremulous tones, began once more to thank me for the share I was prepared to take in his defense.

"One question, sir," said I, when he had paused. "Is it true that you have money with you?"

He seemed annoyed at the question, but admitted with reluctance that he had a little.

"Well," I continued, "it is their money they are after, is it not? Why not give it up to them?"

"Ah!" replied he, shaking his head, "I have tried that already, Mr. Cassilis; and alas! that it should be so, but it is blood they want."

"Huddleston, that's a little less than fair," said Northmour. "You should mention that what you offered them was upward of two hundred thousand short. The deficit is worth a reference; it is for what they call a cool sum, Frank. Then, you see, the fellows reason in their clear Italian way; and it seems to them, as indeed it seems to me, that they may just as well have both while they are about it—money and blood together, by George, and no more trouble for the extra pleasure."

(To be continued.)

PRIDE OF THE LITTLE FINGER.

It Can Point Back to Your Grandfather's Station in Life.

The fact that the hand looks shapelier and more graceful when the middle and third fingers are slightly curved in and away from the index and little finger is shown by the models in the glove store windows, and while it is affectionately to hold the hands in such a position, yet this exercise, to make the pose natural, should be practiced," writes Katharine Eggleston Junker-mann in the course of an article on "Physical Culture for Girls" in the *Woman's Home Companion*, which discusses how to secure pretty hands and to retain a natural grace of motion. "Some one has said somewhere that the number of cultured generations back of an individual may be judged by the degree of curve in the little finger. Observation will prove this more or less true. When one sees a person holding a glass or cup with the little finger thrust out and curved until it resembles a hook, a little investigation will almost invariably show that the desire for culture has only just awakened in that particular family, and in its newness is somewhat overstepping the mark. Affectionate is a sign of lack of breeding. Some of the old painters understood hands to perfection. Long, rounded hands, with slightly curved fingers and gently bent wrists, are characteristic of the women whose beauty they have made memorable. Sometimes, perhaps, the beautiful hands were those of some other model than the picture; but the painters knew that beautiful faces were as necessary as beautiful hands in order to make a harmonious picture. The people of almost every other nation have more graceful hands than we have; and those who use their hands most freely when conversing are by far the most graceful. The hands which make no superfluous movements, which appear to obey readily and easily their owner's will, whose movements are free, rhythmic and gentle, are the really graceful ones."

Natural Advice.

"Sail in sight, sir," sang out the lookout. "Fire or bargain?" asked the captain, who had been lost in thought of home and wife.

