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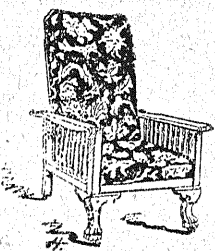
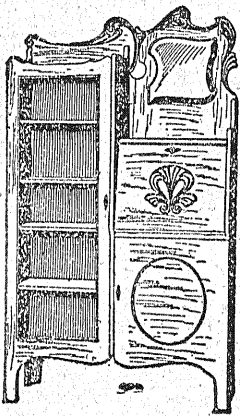
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CASS CITY, MICH., DECEMBER 17, 1903.

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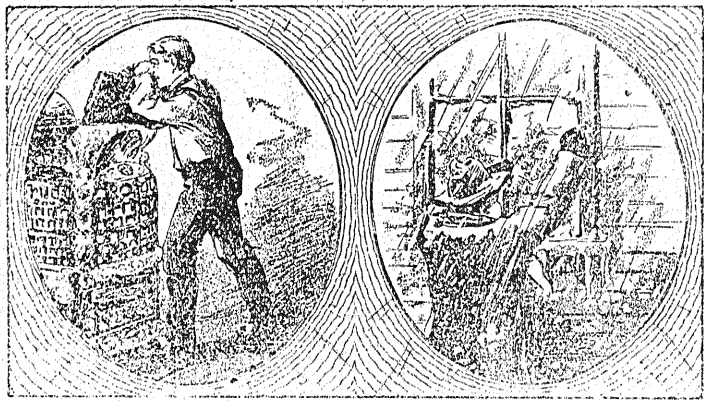
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**CASS CITY LUMBER
AND COAL CO., Ltd.**

FATALLY SHOT.

**Glenn Hartshorn, of Carson-
ville, Dies at Wilmot.**

A particularly sad accident happen-
ed at Wilmot last Saturday afternoon
by which Glenn Hartshorn, age six-
teen, only son of Geo. Hartshorn, hard-
ware merchant of Carsonville, lost his
life by the accidental discharge of his
shot gun which he was carry-
ing. He is a grandson of N. Hartt, of
this place, and with his mother was
visiting relatives here. Saturday ac-
companied by an uncle and some other
companions they started out for a
hunt and in getting over a fence, when
about a mile from home, the rail broke
letting him fall and causing one load
of the weapon to be discharged in his
right leg below the knee totally shat-
tering the limb. The limb was bound
up and he was brought to the home of
his grandparents at once and his father
and doctors hastily summoned. Drs. Bates,
of Kingston, and Simenton and Webber,
of Marlette, amputated the limb but gave
little hopes of his recovery before oper-
ating as he had lost so much blood. He
did not rally after the operation but passed
away in a couple of hours, dying shortly
before his father reached him. Glenn has
many friends who will sincerely mourn
his loss. The grief-stricken parents and
two sisters have the sympathy of the
community in their sad bereavement.
The remains, accompanied by his parents
and relatives from here were taken to
Carsonville Monday, the funeral taking
place from their home Tuesday afternoon.

FINE NEW CHURCH

Dedicated at Caro Sunday.

A magnificent new Presbyterian
church was dedicated at Caro Sunday
with impressive service. The dedica-
tory sermon was delivered by Dr. A. F.
Bruske, president of Alma college, to a
large audience, and other churches all
giving up their Sunday services to
join in the dedication.

The new church has been complet-
ed at a cost of \$29,000, and for beauty
in architecture, decoration and fur-
nishing, and the convenience and com-
pleteness of arrangement, it stands as
one of the finest churches in the state.

Up to the time for dedication pledges
had been received for \$19,000, leaving
an indebtedness of \$10,000 to be rec-
oned with. Rev. Geo. W. Barlow, pas-
tor of the new church, conducted the
fund-raising part of both morning and
evening services, and through his
unique and pleasing methods the con-
gregation joined heartily in an effort to
start the new church out free and clear
from debt. In consequence, \$9,000
was received in pledges at the morn-
ing service and in the evening \$1,000
more, enough to pay the entire debt.

THE CIRCUIT COURT.

From the Caro Advertiser.

At the time of our going to press
last week the case of the People
against L. N. Thatcher was on trial,
and occupied the attention of the
court and jury for some time. Attor-
neys on both sides made a very deter-
mined fight. It was finally given to
the jury who returned a verdict of
simple assault, the charge being inde-
cent liberties.

John Ferguson, one of the Cass City
burglars, who plead guilty, was sen-
tenced to three years in Jackson,
while Wm. McKay and Thomas Van-
derbuilt, the two Quiniasse liquor
dealers, who plead guilty to selling
liquor without a license, were each
fined \$25.

Perley Simerson sued the township
of Fairgrove, for damages, but
after a trial of the case the jury
returned a verdict of no cause for
action. The jury was discharged on
Wednesday night.

HE WAS INNOCENT.

Gagetown Times.

Readers of the Times will be in-
terested in this item as it refers to a
Unionville boy, George Tuttle, who re-
ceived his sentence at the hands of
Justice Anyon in this city. After be-
ing kept in jail five months George
Tuttle was dismissed Monday afternoon
as innocent of a forgery charge. Last
July Harry Gilbert, while in the De-
troit house of correction, made a con-
fession that Tuttle had assisted him in
forging a check for \$225, which Gilbert
cashed. Now, while awaiting sentence
from Judge Hopkins, Gilbert swears
he lied about Tuttle, out of spite.

HOLIDAY SWEETS made to order at
the KANDY KITCHEN.

Couldn't Stand Freedom.

George Larrabee, who claims Erie
Pa., as his home, was arrested at
Vassar Monday morning for the lar-
ceny of \$20 and a pair of boots from a
farmer for whom he had been working.
He was arrested in Bay City on Oct.
30 and brought to Vassar for the lar-
ceny of \$5 from the man for whom he
worked. He served 30 days in the
county jail for this offence and had
been out but a few days when he was
arrested the second time.

SCHOOL NOTES.

Mrs. Dora Fritz has been sick this
week.

The steam pipes burst in the Fifth
and Sixth Grade room on Monday.

The High School boys are going to
have a pair of boxing gloves after the
holidays. Look out!

In the spelling match in the Gram-
mar Room last Friday, Leone Lauder-
bach spelled the room down.

The teachers are expecting to spend
Christmas at their homes. We wish
them all a Merry Christmas and a
Happy New Year.

There were no special exercises yester-
day morning, as J. D. Brooker had
work in the Circuit Court and did not
have time to prepare a speech, but he
has consented to speak to the pupils
on the first Wednesday morning after
the holidays. Miss Ora McKim ren-
dered a solo, at the usual time of the
exercises.

The Junior Class held a class meet-
ing on Dec. 10th, at which a constitu-
tion was adopted and the following
officers elected: Pres., Eliza Sommer-
ville; vice pres., Hattie Tanner; sec'y,
Mabel Reagh; treas., Glenn Eno. The
members of the class are Eliza Som-
merville, Mabel Robinson, Vida Pat-
terson, Jennie Miller, Ora McKim,
Nina Karr, Clara Leuzner, Margaret
McArthur, Glenn Eno, Hattie Tanner,
Lilah Tanner, Mabel Anderson, Mabel
Reagh, Irene Tindale and Chas. Pat-
terson.

Resolution of Condolence

WHEREAS, It has pleased God in his
providence to remove by death from
Venus Lodge, No. 254, Daughters of
Rebekah, I. O. O. F., our worthy brother,
James Ramsey, therefore be it
RESOLVED, That while we grieve over
our beloved brother, we bow in humble
submission to his eternal gain.

RESOLVED, That we extend to the
wife and friends of our deceased mem-
ber our tenderest sympathy, praying
that the Divine Spirit of Friendship,
Love and Truth may prove a beacon
light to direct them through the
gloomy shadows of this sad bereavement.

RESOLVED, That in token of the sor-
row we cannot express, our charter, be
draped for a period of thirty days,
and in remembrance of the sad event
a copy of these resolutions be spread
upon the records of our lodge, also
sent to the wife and friends of the de-
ceased.

ELLA K. WICKWARE,
KITTIE L. CROSBY,
DAISY HELLER,
Committee.

Resolution of Condolence.

WHEREAS, The Supreme Ruler, in His
infinite wisdom, has seen fit to remove
from our midst, by death, our brother,
James Ramsey, who departed this life
on Thursday, December 10th, 1903, and
WHEREAS, a devoted wife and family
and many friends are left to mourn his
departure, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That Cass City Lodge, No.
203, I. O. O. F., of which he was an
honored and faithful member for many
years, extend to the bereaved ones
their sincere sympathy in their great
loss: Be it also

RESOLVED, That while they mourn the
loss of a dear one in the home, the
brothers deeply feel the loss of one
whose counsel and deliberate conclu-
sions were ever in keeping with the
principles of Friendship, Love and
Truth, and this thought will be an in-
spiration to faithfully endeavor to em-
ulate those principles, while they sin-
cerely hope that the Divine Comforter
will ever attend the bereaved.

RESOLVED, That a copy of these reso-
lutions be spread upon the records of
the Lodge, that copies be presented to
members of the family and that they
also be published in the Cass City En-
terprise and Tri-County Chronicle.

H. S. WICKWARE,
F. C. LEE,
J. C. LAUDERBACH,
Committee.

"Mother's Bread." Try it.
KANDY KITCHEN.

For Sale.

80 acres, 1/4 mile east of Wickware,
good buildings, water, orchard, and all
improved but about ten acres.

ANNA OLIVER, Wickware P. O.
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Township Taxes.

The treasurer of Elkland Township
will be at his office at Striffler & Mc-
Dermott's store, every Friday until
January 10th, for the receiving of
taxes.

Local Happenings.

K. O. T. M. M. election takes place
to-morrow evening.

A. D. Gillies is again able to be
about the street a little.

Mrs. J. W. Young, of Beaufort, was in
town on Saturday.

Miss V. Stephens is assisting in W.
H. Ruhl's tailor shop.

R. Bolton, of Gagetown, did business
in town last evening.

The Exchange Bank has a change of
advertisement this week.

Wm. Janssen, of Holbrook, was a
caller in town this morning.

Geo. Bond was the guest of his
brother, A. Bond, over Sunday.

Mrs. A. D. Gillies is convalescing
from a severe attack of la grippe.

Mrs. W. W. Bender, of Gagetown,
called on friends here on Friday.

Notice the change of advertisement
for the Exchange Bank in this issue.

A party of young people enjoyed a
sleigh ride to Shabbona last evening.

D. Tolton, of Guelph, Ont., has been
among the visitors in town this week.

Laing & Janes have some very time-
ly suggestions in their new advertise-
ment this week.

What could be nicer than a pair of
slippers for a present? See Ostran-
der's new advertisement.

The Model advertisement in this
issue will give you particulars regard-
ing their special offer. Take advan-
tage of it.

Mr. and Mrs. Lakins, of Winnipeg,
Manitoba, are the guests of Mr. and
Mrs. E. Eno, and will visit their former
home at Kingston, Ont., before re-
turning west.

Through the return of the former
agent at North Branch, Joe Grigware
has been thrown out of a position, but
is filling in by doing a little braking
until something else opens up.

The following letters remain un-
claimed in the postoffice at Cass City,
for the week ending Dec. 12th, 1903:
Mrs. Kennedy, Henry Humphrey, Miss
Lula Adress, C. W. Rowley. H. S.
Wickware, P. M.

On the evening of Dec. 9th, the mem-
bers of the Orange Lodges of Cass
City, to the number of about thirty,
drove to Jas. Ferguson's, in Novesta
township, it being his birthday. The
evening was spent pleasantly in song
singing, recitations and harmless
games. After a bounteous supper, a
little talk and a good bye hand shake,
everybody went home satisfied.

At the regular meeting of the L. L.
O. L., No. 127, held on Dec. 3rd, the
following officers were elected: Wor-
thy Mistress, Mrs. Lucetina Ferguson;
Deputy Mistress, Mrs. Francis Mc-
Cracken; rec. sec'y, Mrs. Martha East-
man; finance sec'y, Mrs. Adelia Kil-
borne; treas., Mrs. Mary Sykes; chap.,
Mrs. Jane McBurney; lecturer, Miss
Mable McBurney; cond., Miss Jennie
Ferguson; asst. cond., Miss Mary
D'Arey; inside guard, Mrs. Ida Mosher
Brown; outside guard, Mrs. Sarah
Goff; Advisory Board, W. A. Anderson
Root, Brown, Richard Bailey.

Good board and room at \$3.00 per
week. 12-10 2* J. S. BURBRIDGE.

Notice.

All parties owing me on book ac-
count or past due notes will please
call and settle on or before Dec. 25th
and oblige. Respectfully yours,
12-17-1* W. A. ANDERSON.

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general repairing, next door to City
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4% interest paid on time
certificates of deposit.

Lock Boxes for rent at
from \$1.00 to \$2.00 per
year.

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Banker.

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Every Lady

Is urgently requested to call SOON
and get one of our fine

Pongee Silk Screens

at 89 cents, regular price \$1.25. This
is a special deal and you will find
them worth your time to examine.

We Lay Claim

To the finest assortment of Handkerchiefs in
town, and many of our 25 cent lines are equal to
some 50 cent goods. What makes a nicer Christ-
mas present for a little money than a handker-
chief?

We have just received a SAMPLE LINE of Fas-
cinators and Mufflers that will go at SACRIFICE
PRICES.

We offer a few pairs of Infants' FANCY DRAWER
LEGGINGS in wool. Send your daughter's
baby a pair for Christmas. We wish you a Mer-
ry Christmas and will be glad to see you in our
store at any time. Yours truly,

Laing & Janes

A Merry Christmas

AT

T. H. Fritz's Drug Store.

Fine Toilet Sets, Gents' Traveling Cases, Mil-
itary Brushes, Photo Albums, Music Rolls,
Collar and Cuff Boxes, Perfumes, Glove
and Handkerchief Cases, Smoker
Sets, Carom and Crokinole

See our Fine Line

Of Pictures, Books, Padded Poems, Teach-
ers' Bibles, Christmas Cards, Calendars.

Do not buy until you see our line.

Prices so low the doctor can't
raise them.

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We were never in better shape
to supply your wants in all lines
of

Building Materials.

Our special out prices on Roof-
ing will interest you.

SHINGLES in all grades from
\$1.00 to \$3.25 per M.

FELT ROOFING in three grades
\$1.75, \$2.00, \$2.25 per square,
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Goods delivered in town. The Old Reliable

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Holiday Gifts

Of useful articles, such as
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Crokinole and Caroom Boards, Pit, Check-
ers, Dominoes, Toilet Sets, French Stag
with Sterling Silver mountings, in
sets and single pieces.

L. I. WOOD & CO.

THE GIRL AT THE HALFWAY HOUSE

A STORY OF THE PLAINS
BY E. HOUGH, AUTHOR OF THE STORY OF THE COWBOY
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CHAPTER X.—Continued.

And so it was. The procession of the sand dunes began to show gaps and open places. The hills grew less tall and more regular of outline.

"We're all right for water now," said Sam. "See that little pile of rocks, 'bout as high as your head, off to the right down the creek? That's water there, sure."

They now rode on more rapidly, bearing off toward the cairn which made the water sign. All at once Juan lifted his head, listened for a moment, and then said, with positiveness in his voice: "Vacas!" ("cows; cattle!")

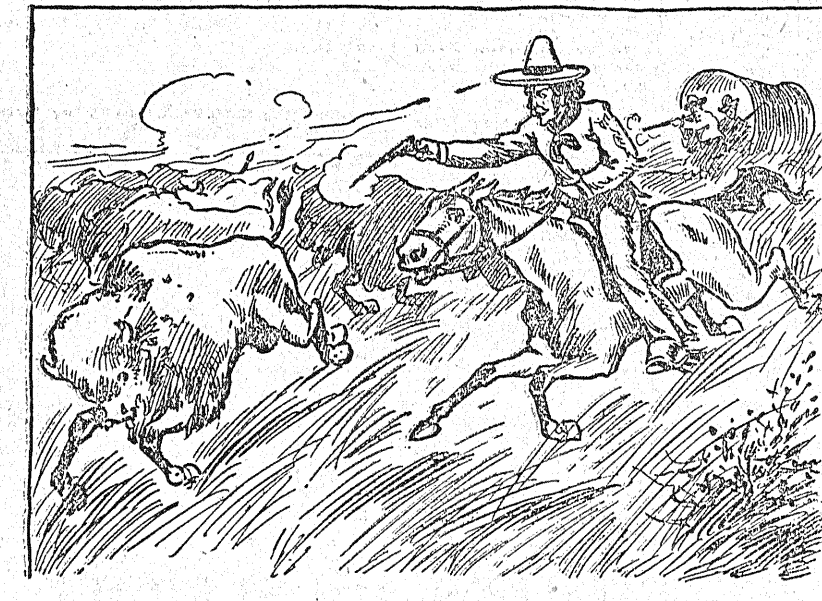
Curly straightened up in his saddle as though electrified. "Vacas? Oude, Juan?—where's any cows?"

"Vacas! muchas," repeated Juan carelessly.

"Lots of 'em? Well, I'd like to know where they are, my lily of the valley," said Curly, for once almost incredulous. And then he stopped and listened. "Hold on, boys, listen," he said. "Look out—look out! Here they come!"

Every ear caught the faint distant patter, which grew into a rapid and insistent rumble. "Cavalry, b'gad!" cried Battersleigh. Franklin's eyes shone.

Presently there appeared at the brink, looming through the white dust cloud, a mingling mass of tangled, surging brown, a surface of tossing, hairy backs, spotted with darker fronts, over all and around all the pounding and clacking of many hoofs. It was the stampede of the buffalo which had been disturbed at their watering place below, and which had headed up to the level that they might the better make their escape in flight. The horses of the hunters, terrified at this horrid apparition of waving horned heads and shaggy manes, plunged and snorted in terror, seeing



The butchery was sudden and all too complete.

which the first rank of the buffalo in turn fell smitten of, and braced back to avoid the evil at their front. Overturned by the crush behind them, these none the less served to turn the course of the remainder of the herd, which now broke away to the right, paralleling the course of the stream and leaving the wagons of the hunters behind them and at their left. The herd carried now upon its flank three figures which clung alongside and poured sharp blue jets of smoke into the swirling cloud of ash dust.

At such range it was out of the question to miss. Franklin and Battersleigh killed two buffaloes each, losing other head by reason of delivering their fire too high up in the body, a common fault with the beginner on bison. Curly ran alongside a good cow, and at the third shot was able to see the great creature stumble and fall. Yet another he killed before his revolver was empty. The butchery was sudden and all too complete.

The hunters looked at the vast bodies lying prostrate along the ground before them, and felt remorse at their intemperance.

"The hunt's over," said Franklin, looking at the dead animals. "We've enough for us all."

"Yes, sir," said Curly, "we shore got meat, and got it plenty sudden—Juan, vamos, pronto!" He made signs showing that he wished the Mexican to skin and dress the buffalo, and the latter, as usual, proceeded to give immediate and unhesitating obedience.

CHAPTER XI.

The Battle.

Occupied for a few moments with the others at the wagon, Franklin ceased to watch Juan, as he went slowly but not unskillfully about the work of dressing the dead buffalo. Suddenly he heard a cry, and looking up, saw the Mexican running hurriedly toward the wagon. He pointed out over the plain as he came on, and called out excitedly: "Indios! Los Indios!"

The little party cast one long, careful look out toward the horizon, upon which now appeared a thin, waving line of dust. A moment later the two wagons were rolled up side by side, the horses were fastened securely as possible, the saddles and blanket rolls were tossed into breastworks at the end of the barricade, and all the feeble defences possible were completed. Four rifles looked steadily out, and every eye was set and anxious.

The indefinite dust line turned from gray to dark, and soon began to show colors—black, red, brown, piebald—

a muscle in his face as he saw his formidable adversary coming on, nor did he join in the murmurs that arose among his people. Rather there came a glint into his eye, a shade of exultation in his heavy face. "Big chief!" he said, simply. "Heap fight!"

"You bet your blame life he'll heap fight!" said Curly, from his position upon Juan's brawny breast as he held him down. "He's good for any two of you, you screechin' cowards!"

The Indian chief stood silent for a moment, his arms folded across his breast with that dramatic instinct never absent from the Indian's mind. When he spoke, the scorn and bravado in his voice were apparent, and his words were understood though his speech was broken.

"Big chief!" he said, pointing toward Juan. "White calf, me big chief." Then he clutched his hands and thrust them forward, knuckles downward, the Indian sign for death, for falling dead or being struck down. With his delivery this was unmistakable. "Me," he said, "me dead; white man go. Big chief (meaning Juan), 'him dead; Injun heap take horse,' including in the sweep of his gesture all the outfit of the white men.

"He wants to fight Juan by him self," cried Franklin.

"Yes, and b'gad he's doin' it for pure love of a fight, and hurray for him!" cried Battersleigh. "Hurray, boys! Give him a cheer!" And, carried away for the moment by Battersleigh's own dard-devility, as well as a man's admiration for pluck, they did rise and give him a cheer. They cheered old white calf, self-offered champion, knowing that he had death in a hundred blankets at his back.

There was no time to parley or to decide. Juan the Mexican was regarding the Indian intently. Perhaps he gathered but little of the real meaning of that which had transpired, but something in the act or look of the chieftain aroused and enraged him. With one swift upheaval of his giant body, he shook off restraining hands and sprang forward. He stripped off his own light upper garment, and stood as naked and more colossal than his foe. Weapon of his own he had none, nor did he have any. He was armed for nothing better than the first weapon of primitive man, a club which could extend the sweep of his own arm.

From the hand of the nearest Indian he snatched a war club, not dissimilar to that which hung at White Calf's wrist, a stone-headed beetle, grooved and bound fast with rawhide to a long, slender, hard-wood handle, which in turn was sheathed in a heavy rawhide covering, shrunk into a steel-like reinforcement. Armed alike, naked alike, savage alike, and purely animal in the blind desire of battle the two were at issue before a hand could stay them. All chance of delay or separation was gone. Both white and Indian fell back and made arena for a unique and awful combat.

There was a moment of measuring, that grim advance, balance struck when two strong men meet for a struggle which for either may end alone in death. The Indian was magnificent in mien, superb in confidence. Fear was not in him. His vast figure, nourished on sweet meat of the plains fed by the pure air and developed by continual exercise, showed like the torso of a minor Hercules, powerful but not sluggish in its power. His broad and deep chest, here and there spotted with white scars, arched widely for the vital organs, but showed no clogging fat. His legs were corded and thin. His arms were also slender but showing full of easy-playing muscles with power of rapier and unhampered strength. Two or three inches above the six-foot mark he stood as he cast off his war bonnet and swept back a hand over the standing eagle plumes, whipped fast to his braided hair. White Calf was himself a giant.

(To be continued.)

His Gentle Rebuke.

The turbulent blood of old Ireland flowed in his veins, unless his rugged countenance was in error, and it could be seen that prosperity had not weaned him of his short pipe as he sat in the men's cabin of the ferryboat Rutherford, says the New York Times.

A package occupied the seat beside him, and as a man full of his own importance made for the place the old Irishman removed it, leaving a few drops of a whitish liquid on the seat.

"Is that milk, sir?" demanded the important one.

Without a word the Irishman took out his pocket handkerchief and wiped away the offending liquid that had oozed from his package.

The important one gathered his overcoat about him and sat uncomfortably on the edge of the seat without any recognition of the courtesy of the Celt, while the other commuters watched the performance.

"Thank you kindly, sir," quietly remarked the Irishman, with just a suspicion of a twinkle in his eye, and the important one suddenly sought the other cabin.

Benefit of Wide Tires.

At an experiment station it was demonstrated that it requires 40 per cent more power to draw a load on a wagon with one and one-half inch tires than on one with a three-inch tire. With a Baldwin dynamometer careful tests were made with loaded wagons drawn over a grass sward. In a wagon weighing 3,000 pounds it was found that a load weighing 3,248 pounds could be drawn on wide tires with the same force required to move 2,000 pounds on narrow tires. Moreover, the wide tires did not injure the turf, while the narrow ones cut through it.

ADAM'S CELLAR

Ideal Type of Hog.

In visiting many herds and flocks I have been most strongly impressed with the fact that there is no uniformity of type in them. Each man has all sorts of types and kinds in his herd or flock, says Professor G. E. Day, of Guelph. The result is that they breed up a flock or herd that will never be of any use in the country. Each young breeder, and old one, too, for that matter, must find out what is the right type; then set this up as an ideal and work to it. You cannot reach your ideal at once. It may take ten, fifteen, twenty or even forty years to do so, and perhaps you may never reach it, but keep it ever before you, never lose sight of it for an instant, nor let anything else drive it away. You will find that the man who makes a success of breeding is he who sticks to his ideal with, as it were, a bull dog tenacity, and though he may not become famous, he will at least make a name for himself in his sphere of life. I would emphasize the importance of getting the right type fixed in one's mind as an ideal. There is a type of hog that gives the best bacon, and if the producer of bacon hogs is the ideal a man has set up for himself, then he should get as near to the ideal type as possible. Some breeds of hogs come much nearer that type than others. In judging of the length of a hog it is not enough that he should be long from the nose to the tail, but it is of special importance that he should be long between shoulder and hams. I have heard some people say that it costs more to produce the bacon type of hog than the fat kind. I want to give you this for your encouragement—it has never been proved that it does cost more. Our experiments show very conclusively that it does not necessarily cost more to produce a pound of gain in a good bacon hog than in a fat hog, and that a good bacon hog is an economical producer.

The Mare and the Foal.

Mares after being bred should not be worked for a few days, after which they may be worked right up to the day they foal, providing you have the right kind of work for them to do, writes John Gardhouse. They should not be hitched to any very heavy loads, or on a tongue that will strike them in the side, and they should not be backed when heavy with foal. After fall plowing is done and you have no further work for them, do not tie them in the stable and let them stand without any exercise; that is too sudden a change. Let them out in the yard for exercise every afternoon, unless very stormy. A few weeks before foaling, feed a little flaxseed along with boiled oats and bran. Never allow the foal to run after the mare when working. Always keep it in a loose box, well bedded, and with plenty of light but no holes which it can get its head through. Always give the foal a little feed when you take the mare out. Unless you are working a long distance from the barn, it will pay to take the mare in during the forenoon and afternoon, giving her a drink and a handful of oats, and let the foal suck, thus helping the mare and also the foal. When the foal is weaned, feed it often with good clover hay, chopped oats and bran, and all the milk it will take. Winter well the first winter. Many foals are allowed to winter under straw stacks and on poor, dry feed, and are very little heavier in the spring than when weaned in the fall.

Swiss Dairy Cattle.

The cattle of the several cantons of Switzerland noted for their dairying differ mainly in color and name. The Bernoise, Fribourgeoise and Simmenthal cattle are all spotted, and have yellow, reds and browns mixed with white in varying degrees and in a variety of patterns. Those with red or yellow spots usually have light muzzles and switches, while black noses and tails accompany the brown and black spots. The Schwyz breed, better known as the Brown Swiss, has been established in the United States for about thirty years. All these Swiss cattle are exceedingly coarse boned, large framed and heavy. They are exceedingly active for their size, famous mountain climbers, but carry a great superfluity of flesh for dairy animals, hardly compensated for by their performances at the stall. The Simmenthals are the largest, and by some preferred for milk stock, but unbiassed judges generally give the Brown Swiss first place for dairy purposes.

In America the last-named race has included cows which have made famous records in milk and butter production; but, as a whole, all Swiss cattle must be here regarded as of the "dual-purpose" kind, and this means that they are not expected to add much to the value of our dairy stock.—Henry E. Alvord.

Try Some Roots.

Many farmers are feeding some roots to their poultry in winter. About everything in this line has been tried and most things with success. Beets are split and the fowls are allowed to pick at them at their leisure. Carrots are equally serviceable, and the fowls seem to like them better than they do beets. Only a few should be fed at a time, as fresh ones are more likely to be eaten than old ones.

Many a man thinks he is reasoning with you when he is merely arguing.

ADMIRAL SCHLEY ENDORSES PE-RU-NA.

Pe-ru-na Drug Co., Columbus, Ohio:
Gentlemen: "I can cheerfully say that Mrs. Schley has taken Pe-ru-na and I believe with good effect."
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ADMIRAL SCHLEY, one of the foremost notable heroes of the Nineteenth Century. A name that starts terror in the heart of every Spaniard. A man of steady nerve, clear head, undaunted courage and prompt decision.

Approached by a friend recently, his opinion was asked as to the efficacy of Peruna, the national catarrh remedy. Without the slightest hesitation he gave this remedy his endorsement. It appeared on later conversation that Peruna has been used in his family, where it is a favorite remedy.

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Never before in the annals of medicine has it happened that so many men of national and international reputation have been willing to give unqualified and public endorsements to a proprietary remedy. No amount of advertising could have accomplished such a result. Peruna has won on its own merits. Peruna cures catarrh of whatever phase or location in the human body. That is why it receives so many notable and unique endorsements.

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Ask Your Druggist for free Pe-ru-na Almanac for 1904.

WAS HIS WIFE'S HATPIN.

And He Had Wasted Time Trying to Find an Owner.

In a theater recently a man down in one of the front rows spied on the floor a large hatpin with an amber top. Looking about him, he saw that two women and their escorts had just sat down. To one of the former he presented the pin. A shake of the head indicated that he had made a mistake. Then he tried across the aisle. The women seemed to be interested. The pin was a curiosity and its amber a unique carving. They hesitated, but the pin was handed back. Desperately, he began the search anew. Two ladies unattended seemed likely owners. To them he showed the pin. They took it and enjoyed its pattern. Just then the man felt a tug on his sleeve. It was his wife and she remarked: "Why are you showing my hatpin to strangers?" He, blushing, went over to the feminine pair and explained. "It's my wife's hatpin," he said, but in such consciously guilty accents that the women handed it back with doubting smiles.

A MANLESS ISLAND COLONY.

Greek Women Who Live an Entirely Independent Life.

On a small island in the Greek archipelago there is a colony which is composed entirely of women. It is a sort of religious order, which considers it a disgrace for one of its members to even look at a man. So when a fisherman approaches the island, the women pull the gray cowls of their cassocks over their heads and turn their backs. Provisions are never imported, as the women raise their own products, being strict vegetarians. Only the matron, who is annually elected head of the colony, is ever allowed to leave the island. The others remain on the island all their lives, taking their turn at tilling the soil, washing, housekeeping and fishing.

To Cure a Cold in One Day.
Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c.

Misses Apple; Kills Boy.

Houston, Tex., special: Charles Givens, aged 12, was killed while posing with an apple on his head to be shot off by a boy companion, the bullet entering his forehead.

Clear white clothes are a sign that the housekeeper uses Red Cross Ball Soap. Large 2 oz. package, 5 cents.

A diplomat is a man who tells his wife everything that happens not to happen.

Gluttony has killed more men than the sword.—French proverb.

DO YOU COUGH?

DON'T DELAY!

KEMP'S BALSAM

It Cures Colds, Coughs, Sore Throat, Croup, Influenza, Whooping Cough, Bronchitis and Asthma. A certain cure for Consumption in first stages, and a sure relief in advanced stages. Use at once. You will see the excellent effect after taking the first dose. Sold by druggists everywhere. Large bottles 25 cents and 50 cents.

WHEN PAIN & ANGUISH WRING & BROW, A MINSTERING ANGEL THOU!

BROMO Seltzer

10¢

SOLD EVERYWHERE.

DO YOU KNOW THAT A COLD CANNOT EXIST IF THE BOWELS ARE THOROUGHLY CLEANSED AND ACTIVE?

Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin

is the best medicine for a cold. It will cure the youngest child or oldest sufferer. Try it. 50c and \$1.00 at your druggists. PEPSIN SYRUP CO., Monticello, Ill.

DO YOUR CLOTHES LOOK YELLOW?

If so, use Red Cross Ball Soap. It will make them white as snow. 2 oz. package 5 cents.

The indulgence of the flesh dwells in the spirit.

Piper's Cure for Consumption is an infallible medicine for coughs and colds.—N. W. SAMUEL, Ocean Grove, N. J., Feb. 17, 1904.

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Do you catch cold easily? Does the cold hang on? Try

Shiloh's Consumption Cure

The Lung Tonic

It cures the most stubborn kind of coughs and colds. If it doesn't cure you, your money will be refunded.

Prices: S. C. Wells & Co., 52c. 50c. \$1. LeRoy, N. Y., Toronto, Can.

50,000 AMERICANS WERE WELCOMED TO Western Canada

DURING LAST YEAR.

They are settled, and settling on the Grain and Grazing Lands, and are prosperous and satisfied. Sir Wilfrid Laurier recently said: "A new star has risen on the horizon, and it is toward it that every immigrant who leaves the land of his ancestors to come and seek a home for himself now turns his gaze."—Canada.

FREE Homesteads given away. Schools, Churches, Railways, Markets, Climate, everything to be desired.

For a descriptive Atlas and other information, apply to Superintendent Immigration, Ottawa, Canada, or authorized Canadian Government Agent, M. V. McInnes, No. 6 Avenue Theater Block, Detroit, Mich., and C. A. Laurier, Sault Ste. Marie, Mich.

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BROMO Seltzer

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10 Views of Atlantic City at its best mailed to anyone sending its name and address of two or more friends who are suffering from Catarrh.

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CURES WHERE ALL ELSE FAILS. Best Cough Syrup, Tastes Good. Use in time. Sold by druggists.

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It cures the most stubborn kind of coughs and colds. If it doesn't cure you, your money will be refunded.

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Societies.

I. O. F.
COURT ELKLAND, No. 235, I. O. F., meets on 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month in their hall in the Campbell block, at 7:30 p. m. Visiting brethren are cordially invited.
JAS. M. ALLEN, C. R.
A. A. P. McDowell Rec. Sec. 3-11-97

I. O. O. F.
CASS CITY LODGE, No. 203, meets every Wednesday evening at 7:30. Visiting brethren cordially invited.
BOUGLE LIVINGSTON, N. G.
J. C. LAUDERBACH, Secretary.

K. O. T. M.
CASS CITY TRINT, No. 74, meets the first and 3rd Friday evenings of each month, at 7:30 p. m. Visiting brethren cordially invited.
A. A. P. McDowell, Commander.
A. D. GILLIES, Record Keeper.

Elkland Arbor, No. 31, A. O. O. G.
meets the second and fourth Thursdays of each month, in Forester Hall. Visiting companions always welcome.
A. E. BOULTON, C. G.
JAS. REAGH, Sec.-Treas. 1-20-03.

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St. Agatha's School, Gagetown, Michigan.
Full Graded Course in Vocal and Instrumental Music.
For Terms Call or Address, Sisters of St. Dominic, Gagetown, Mich.
Complete line of Musical Supplies and Instruments on hand.

Insure
Your Live Stock and thus be protected from loss.
The Stockman's Indemnity Co.
will carry your risk at small cost. See their Cass City agent,
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12-10-13

For Young Men...
Every man is the Architect of His Own Fortune.
Have You Begun Yours?



If not start the New Year by having one of our Savings Banks.

Ask those who have them what it has done for them during the past year.

Foley's Honey and Tar heals lungs and stops the cough.

Wickware.

No school this week.
Good sleighing now.
Mrs. Bigelow is home from Ann Arbor.

Mrs. Wm. Wilson has moved south of Cass City.

Flora McPhail, who has been staying with her uncle near Caro, returned home on Saturday.

Little George McPhail, who took sick last Tuesday night with infant paralysis, is no better at this writing.

Duncan McPhail, of Dutton, Ont., and his niece, Cassie McPhail, visited his brother, John McPhail, last Tuesday.

Geo. Cutting, who has been sick for the past three months, died last Thursday afternoon at half-past two. The funeral was held on Sunday at the Wickware church.

Knapp and Watson sell guns, boats, tents, bicycles, rifle shells, etc. Caro Box 575. Telephone No. 76.

Cedar Run

Real winter weather at present.
Will Webster has been working in Cass City for the past week.

Geo. Leach is running engine for Chas. Way's husker at present.

Chas. Way, of Ellington, is in this part shredding corn this week.

Thos. Welsh purchased a fine young bull from D. E. Turner last week.

P. W. Stone has the "Valley Phone" in his store at present.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Ibbittson, of Brookfield, visited at J. Spittler's on Thursday last.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Emmons returned home on Monday last from a few days' visit in Detroit.

Most of the beets are hauled from this section. Some had a few acres frozen in the ground.

P. W. Stone and A. J. Spittler were handling apples for W. Nelson at Ellington part of last week.

M. Anthes moved the house recently purchased by B. Crane, from C. Hammond, onto what is known as the Baxter forty, last week.

We hear that Doctor Foote, who is now located at Elkton, is going to locate here, having rented the house belonging to D. E. Turner, on the Patterson place.

F. J. Hendrick started for Harrisville on Friday morning, being called there by the death of a brother, Ed. Hendrick, the funeral being held at that place on Sunday. He returned home on Monday.

On Tuesday last, while unloading beans at the elevator in Gagetown, John Spittler had the misfortune to have his left arm broken above the wrist, by the team becoming frightened at the passing train and started to run, throwing him out of the wagon. The arm was set by Dr. Morris and is getting along as well as can be expected at present.

PROFIT

The matter of feed is of tremendous importance to the farmer. Wrong feeding is loss. Right feeding is profit.

The up-to-date farmer knows what to feed his cows to get the most milk, his pigs to get the most pork, his hens to get the most eggs. Science.

But how about the children? Are they fed according to science, a bone food if bones are soft and undeveloped, a flesh and muscle food if they are thin and weak and a blood food if there is anemia?

Scott's Emulsion is a mixed food; the Cod Liver Oil in it makes flesh, blood and muscle, the Lime and Soda make bone and brain. It is the standard scientific food for delicate children.



Send for free sample.
Be sure that this picture in the form of a label is on the wrapper of every bottle of Emulsion you buy.
Scott & Bowne
CHEMISTS,
409 Pearl St., N. Y.
50c. and \$1; all druggists.

Stevenson's Holiday Bargains.

Consisting of everything in Crockery, Imported China, Fancy Christmas Novelties, Toys of every description, Lamps, Hand Sleds, Doll Cabs and Go Carts, Albums, Story Books, Steam Engines, Magic Lanterns, Fancy Baskets and many other things which you will have to call and see in order to appreciate the magnitude of the stock.

And with every dollar's worth and over of the above you buy you can purchase

21 lbs. granulated sugar for	10 packages Gold Leaf Soda for	1 pound 25c Cottolene for	50c package Wilbur's Stook Food
8 bars Queen Anne soap for	10 packages Layton's Soda for	1 25c stew kettle apple butter for	\$1.00 bottle Wilbur's X-Ray Liniment
8 bars Atlas soap for	1 lb. can of our best Baking Powder	1 can 10c shaker salt for	50c bottle Wilbur's Golden Oil
8 bars Jaxon soap for	3 lbs. 15c coffee for	1 pound mixed candy for	1 box of 25 5c cigars for
8 bars Silver soap for	1 bottle 10c stove enamel for	100 pairs 50c gloves, per pair	25 lbs. Pillsbury's best flour
8 bars Santa Claus soap for	1 package 10c bird seed for	4 10c plugs Kingbalt for	3 lb. can Nunley & Heynes tomatoes
8 bars Lighthouse soap for	8 packages Pilot smoking tobacco	4 10c plugs Biggest and Best for	2 lb. can best sweet corn
12 bars Key soap for	1 gallon pail best table syrup for	4 10c plugs Prune Juice for	2 lb. can best peas
10 packages Sodio Soda	1 pail 50c Cottolene for	2 5c packages Vulcan matches for	2 lbs. mixed nuts

Our 5 and 10c tables fairly groan under the loads of bargains they are carrying.

Terms are ready pay. Either cash, butter, eggs, pumpkin and Hubbard squash seeds, or any other farm produce that I can handle. Will commence Dec. 11th and continue until Jan. 1.

Phone 42

GOODS DELIVERED IN THE CITY.

Novesta Corners.

Sleighing is with us again.
Miss Ada Gowen is visiting relatives at Bay Port.

Rev. Saylor still remains in very poor health.

M. Snover and Ira Howey were in Cass City on business one day last week.

Guy Sweet, one of Novesta's entertaining bachelors, is pressing hay for the farmers in this vicinity.

Mrs. M. H. Handly went to Sanilac Centre last week, where she will remain until after the holidays.

The many friends of Miss Anna Crawford are glad to hear that she is nicely recovering from typhoid fever.

There will be a Christmas tree at the Baptist Church Christmas Eve. Come and see if Santa has a present for you.

We are glad to report that Howard Francis is gaining nicely from typhoid fever, under the care of Dr. Hays, of Cass City.

Frank Mills, of Millersburg, made a brief visit among friends here last week, connected with a business trip to Riley Centre.

Revolution Imminent.

A sure sign of approaching revolt and serious trouble in your system is nervousness, sleeplessness, or stomach upsets. Electric Bitters will quickly dismember the troublesome causes. It never fails to tone the stomach, regulate the Kidneys and Bowels, stimulate the Liver and clarify the blood. Run down systems benefit particularly and all the usual attending aches vanish under its searching and thorough effectiveness. Electric Bitters is only 50c. and that is returned if it don't give perfect satisfaction. Guaranteed by all druggists, Cass City; F. A. Francis, Kingston.

Deford.

Len Patch, who labors near Bay Port, was home on the 5th.

John Putnam and wife, of Wells, visited at L. Retherford's the past week.

Revival meetings have been in progress at Novesta Corners for the past week.

J. R. Lewis, who has been in poor health for some time past, is some better.

Wm. Patch spent this past week at Pontiac and vicinity. His health is still very poor.

Reginald Courless, who has spent the past three weeks in Oakland county, returned on the 12th.

Farm implements went for a trifle at Orrin Stowell's sale. It looks like a conivance to take from him that had nothing.

Will Patch's team broke loose at Deford Saturday last and ran to Novesta, halting under the church sheds. With exception of slight breaks on wagon no damage was done.

I notice that the East Novesta correspondent to the ENTERPRISE Deford correspondent to Chronicle both write of Wm. Patch suffering with cancer. We live within hailing distance of Wm. Patch and have seen him every few days before and since his sickness commenced but we have never intimated that his trouble was cancer. We do not believe that any doctor ever said he had cancer and if any doctor should say so we would be inclined to think he was mistaken as doctors often are in such cases. We are willing to set up our judgement that time will demonstrate that Mr. Patch has only a disarrangement of the stomach and will come all right when that organ has rest and all who would impress him with the belief that he has cancer are doing him an injury.

CASTORIA
For Infants and Children.
The Kind You Have Always Bought
Bears the Signature of *Dr. J. C. Watson*

Freiburgers.

A. Hunt was in Uby Saturday.

A. C. Graham did business in Cumberland Saturday.

Chas. Pollard transacted business in Uby Tuesday.

F. W. Rehl made a business trip to Tyre on Friday.

James Greenleaf, of Cumber, was a business caller in town on Saturday.

Miss Ida Pollard, who has been visiting friends in Cumber, returned home Saturday.

D. McEachan has moved his family from Cumber into the Freiburger house, just vacated by W. J. Carson.

Dr. Holdship, of Uby, and health officer Smith have been around the past week shutting up smallpox patients.

There was a surprise party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Styles Wednesday evening. All report an enjoyable time.

W. J. Carson, who has been working for A. C. Graham, has rented Mrs. Joseph Brown's farm, west of Cumber, and has moved on the same.

Elmwood.

J. Compton, of Caro, visited his parents here Saturday.

Mrs. E. C. Bliss is quite ill with sciatic rheumatism.

John Emmons has returned from a visit at Detroit and Flint.

Albert Russell and wife were given a surprise Thursday evening.

Charlie Way is husking corn and shredding stalks for Joe Dodge.

John House has returned from Gaylord and is doing chores for Patrick Toohy, Sr.

Grant Parker and family, who will soon move to Sanilac county, were given a pleasant surprise party last Tuesday evening.

There will be a Christmas tree and entertainment at the Elmwood M. P. Church. All are invited and a good time is anticipated.

Cards are out announcing the marriage of Samuel McCreedy, of Elmwood, to Miss Gertrude Hyde, of Columbia, Dec. 16th, 1903.

John Spittler is suffering with a broken arm. While at the Gagetown elevator his team became frightened at a passing train and he was thrown out of his rig.

It is reported that a doctor from Elkton has rented the Patterson house of D. E. Turner and will soon take possession. Elmwood will gladly welcome a local physician.

A Costly Mistake.
Blunders are sometimes very expensive. Occasionally life itself is the price of a mistake, but you'll never be wrong if you take Dr. King's New Life Pills for Dyspepsia, Dizziness, Headache, Liver or Bowel troubles. They are gentle yet thorough. 25c. at all drug stores, Cass City; F. A. Francis's drug store, Kingston.

Ellington

Miss Susie Stull has gone to Detroit to stay indefinitely.

December has been a cold wintry month thus far and plenty of stormy weather.

Mrs. Bert Whaley has moved up north to Onaway where her husband is working.

Chas. Stull and Jas. Molonzo have gone north to get work in the woods for the winter.

John Hubinger, of Frankenmuth, was here last Friday and Saturday looking after his lumbering business.

Caracarb
CANDY CATHARTIC
ALL DRUGGISTS
Genuine stamped C.C.C. Never sold in bulk.
Beware of the dealer who tries to sell "something just as good."

There was a social at Mrs. J. A. Campbell's last Wednesday night for the benefit of the Ellington M. E. Church.

Wm. Landon and H. G. Comstock started for Bay City Sunday night with a load of dressed hogs to sell in the Bay City market.

Quarterly meeting services will be held at the Ellington M. E. Church, Sunday, Dec. 20th, at 2:30 p. m. Rev. H. A. Leeson, pastor of the M. E. Church at Caro, has kindly consented to take charge of this service by request of the Presiding Elder, who is unable to be present at this time.

Fight Will Be Bitter.

Those who will persist in closing their ears against the continual recommendation of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, will have a long and bitter fight with their troubles, if not ended earlier by fatal termination. Read what T. R. Beall, of Beall, Miss., has to say: "Last fall my wife had every symptom of consumption. She took Dr. King's New Discovery after everything else had failed. Improvement came at once and four bottles entirely cured her." Guaranteed by all druggists, Cass City; F. A. Francis, Kingston. Price 50c. and \$1.00 Trial bottles free.

Rabbits Wanted.

We will pay the highest market price at the Cass City Meat Market.

11-19- YOUNG & BENKELMAN.

Canboro.

Miss Myrtle Libkummann is working at Cass City.

John Parker is working at Sebewaing these days.

Miss Anna Jarvis visited friends in Owendale Sunday.

Hamp Caryl left here for the north woods Saturday.

Richard Jarvis was an Owendale caller Saturday.

Quite a number are picking their beans these days.

Jack Ricker was a caller in our burg Thursday evening.

Edward Caryl moved on his newly purchased farm last week.

Miss Edna Warrington, of Pt. Huron, is visiting her uncle, Henry Warrington.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Libkummann were business transactors in Cass City Saturday.

Geo. Rockwood, of Caro, visited his parental home here a few days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Jarvis were business transactors in Owendale one day last week.

Misses Hattie Mellendorf and DeEtte Parker were Cass City callers Wednesday.

Dr. Lyman, of Bad Axe, called on his patient Sunday and said Wm. Parker was getting along splendid.

Don't forget our Christmas tree on Christmas Eve. A good program is being prepared by the committee.

Chas. Stewart, of Uby, and Miss Anna Peters, of this place, were married at the former's home Wednesday.

Cross?

Poor man! He can't help it. It's his liver. He needs a liver pill. Ayer's Pills.

Want your moustache or beard a beautiful brown or rich black? Use

Buckingham's Dye
50cts. of druggists or R. P. Hall & Co., Nashua, N. H.

Before buying an

ORGAN

Call on F. Lenzner, who can sell you a

First-Class Organ

at a moderate price, as he buys direct from the Manufacturer on a cash basis.

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LENZNER'S FURNITURE STORE

where Furniture is sold at reasonable prices.

Right in Line

With full supply of

CUTTERS and SLEIGHS

Feed and Root Cutters, Feed Cookers and Tank Heaters.

CALL IN.

STRIFFLER & McDERMOTT.

See the Graphophone Display at this Office.

Look this list over and see what you want for Christmas, then when you have decided go to

J. L. Hitchcock & Sons'

and purchase same at the right price.

In Hardware Department

Carving Sets from 75c to \$1.50
Children's Sets from 25c to \$1.00
Bread, Cake and Paring Knife Set 25c
Nickel Plated Tea and Coffee Pots 75c to \$1.00
Any housewife would be pleased with one of our famous Food Grinders at \$1.25

In Dry Goods Department.

Fine Table Linen with Napkins to match, also fine Table Plush at 50c per yd.
A line of Umbrellas, regular \$1.50 and \$1.75, to close out at \$1.00.
A line of sample Woolen Shirts 50c to \$1.00
Last, but not least, our fine line of Pillow Tops, Fancy Handkerchiefs, etc.

To Cure a Cold in One Day

Cures Grip in Two Days.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. *E. M. Linn* on every box. 25c.
Seven Million boxes sold in past 12 months. This signature, E. M. Linn

A good many fond parents are thankful. The football season is over.

Lawyers connected with the Fair estate can see no signs of the decline of prosperity.

Mr. Robert Fitzsimmons seems to be one of those fortunate souls whom age cannot wither.

A Chicago man wants a divorce because his wife will not talk to him. One man's meat, etc.

Perhaps if we make this farewell trip of Patti's a success she will return for one or two more.

Kipling has sold his Vermont home at a sacrifice. His brawny brother-in-law refused to leave the neighborhood.

A Utah man thinks he has solved the airship problem. He will know better if he ever wakes up after the bump.

There is in Boston so much intellectual illumination that only one and a half electric lights are sufficient for each person.

There is some talk of a Siberian revolution. It isn't likely to go any farther than the throwing of the first bomb, however.

Mr. Alfred Austin might amuse himself by writing the battle hymn of Panama. It would be just about the size of his genius.

A very indignant man is the one who has been trying to pronounce "isthmus" all these years and has just found the "th" is silent.

John D. Rockefeller, Sr., seems to be trying his best to hold up his end as a continuous example for the young man's Sunday school class.

Mr. Gates' yacht was not lost in the Gulf of Mexico. Mr. Gates stands ready to bet a million that he can't lose anything or on anything.

Prof. Langley says that he got the idea of his flying machine from the pterodactyl. If he paid anything for it the pterodactyl swindled him.

The Duke of Roxburgh utters the crushing threat that he will never return to America. Worse than that, none of the money is coming back, either.

It was a sad but glorious day for young Mr. Gardner, who will take no chances on the deceptitude of the patriarchal Mr. Fitzsimmons in the future.

Let us hope there is a mistake in the announcement that there is a radium in kerosene. Who among us can afford to pay \$75,000 a pound for coal oil?

A man left all his money to the woman who had refused to marry him, but a nice question is whether the bequest was inspired by sentiment or gratitude.

It is along about now that the horny handed tillers of the soil sit down to ponder comfortably on the folly of living in town, where men must hustle all the year through.

Financial stringency has overtaken Mr. John L. Sullivan again. He has been obliged to sell his famous \$10,000 diamond belt because he put too much liquid refreshment under it.

A New Jersey hunter killed a rabbit, ate it without removing all the shot from the carcass, and developed a fine case of appendicitis. Moral: Always filter your slain rabbit before eating.

The magazine publishers announce that there are more than 5,000 new writers of fiction in the field this year. In ascertaining the number of writers of new fiction drop the ciphers and divide by five.

King Peter of Servia is to be formally recognized by the United States. He is still hoping, however, that only a trusted few of his loving subjects will ever be able to recognize him when they see him.

The battleship Massachusetts, which did a little involuntary dredging off the Maine coast last summer, is now as good as over, but the United States treasury is shy about \$75,000, the cost of the repairs.

Somewhat these reports as to the large sums cleared by college football associations tend to give another jolt to the theory that the wholesome spirit of college rivalry is at the bottom of the football craze.

Music is to be abolished from the Chicago restaurants. The proprietors say many of their customers objected to it. The ragtime was so seductive that some people probably forgot and took more than four minutes for lunch.

Ezra Miller of Fort Wayne, aged 12, ran off, and before he would return forced his mother to sign a "bill of rights." Somehow we are not surprised at this, but how it would have disgusted the old-fashioned mother.—Acheson Globe.

THE MICHIGAN NEWS

Showing What's Doing in All Sections of the State

The State Grange Speaks.

At the concluding session of the State Grange, held in Lansing, by a unanimous vote and practically without debate, several reforms were adopted. The matter of primary elections was stated clearly and unequivocally, and the vote on the resolution shows that the Grange demand it. Briefly stated, the desired reforms are:

Complete ratification of last year's demand for primary election reform.

The drafting of a primary bill by the State Grange.

The enactment of the Torrens system of land titles.

Prohibition of the sale of cigarettes.

Regulation of the speed of automobiles on country roads.

Election of drain commissioners at the polls.

Election of United States senators by direct vote.

A reformation of the present plans regarding grange deputies.

A bureau of information for members desiring to make sales or exchanges.

A suitable grange headquarters at the state fair.

Good roads by virtue of national, state and township expenditures.

More power to the arm of the state forestry commission.

Standing committees of women in each grange to co-operate with the state committee.

A grange cyclone insurance society.

Optional biennial elections in subordinate granges.

Public ownership of public utilities.

Election of state tax commissioners by popular vote.

Appointment of a government official to guard against cruelty in the Chicago stock yards.

The legislative committee of the State Grange in session, in Lansing, made a report for consideration which contained these paragraphs regarding primary elections:

We recommend, therefore, that the grange, through its legislative committee, and proper officers, urge the next legislature to pass a state primary election law providing for the nomination of all officers, state, county and township, by direct vote of the members of their respective political parties. That nominations be made by petition, and not by fee. That the primaries of all parties be held at the same time and under the supervision and charge of the state, and at public expense.

We further recommend that the legislative committee prepare a bill for primary reform and present it to the next state grange to be approved by that body before going before our state legislature.

Eight More Are Called.

Eleven more warrants were issued as a result of Salisbury's testimony in the Grand Rapids water scandal for these accused men:

George E. Nichols, ex-state senator, Ionia, for perjury.

Gerrit H. Albers, attorney, for perjury.

William F. McKnight, attorney, for attempting subornation of perjury.

E. D. Conger, editor and publisher of the Grand Rapids Herald, for conspiracy.

Charles S. Burch, general manager of the Grand Rapids Evening Press, for conspiracy.

J. Russell Thompson, former Evening Press reporter, for conspiracy.

Isaac Lamoreaux, former city clerk, for conspiracy.

J. Clark Sprout, former manager of the Morning Democrat and Evening Post, for conspiracy.

Several of the newly accused men in the above list appeared in police court and furnished bond for their re-appearance for examination at a later date.

For Primary Reform.

The Michigan State Association of Farmers' Clubs, in session on Wednesday in Lansing, adopted this unequivocal resolution on primary election reform:

"Resolved, That we demand that the next legislature shall not only introduce, but shall properly enact, a primary election law, giving the people of this state the right to directly nominate township, county and state officers, and to punish with effective penalties the corrupt use of money at all elections." "We will put forth our utmost endeavor to make our influence in the matter of primary elections felt in the next legislature," said N. A. Clapp, of Oakland county, the newly elected president of the State Association of Farmers' Clubs, after the reform had prevailed so decisively.

Mrs. McKnight in Jackson.

On Friday Mrs. McKnight, who was convicted of murder in Cadillac and received a life sentence, was taken to the Jackson penitentiary. It was evident from her appearance that she had not rested much as she looked haggard and sad. There was a large crowd at the depot, including her sister, Mrs. Chalk, who has been her constant companion through her trouble. The general impression is that Mrs. McKnight will not live long, and she pines and starves herself. She is the first person to be sentenced for life from Wexford circuit court, and her's was the first murder trial ever held in Cadillac.

The first case of smallpox this season was reported to the Muskegon authorities Monday, John Looquist, a boy of 10 years, had the disease a week, but no physician was called. The boy's father and older brother have been working in factories and have exposed hundreds of workmen. Eucletic measures will be employed to check the spread of the disease. The house has been quarantined and an officer stationed on guard. Last year smallpox cases aggregated over 200 cases and cost the county thousands of dollars.

The Poison Route.

In addition to the case of Mrs. Mary McKnight, of Kalkaska, who is charged with having put her brother, his wife and babe out of the way by poison, came the sensation at Owosso in which Mrs. Caroline Collins was suspected and afterward charged with having poisoned her hired man, George Leachman. Her examination is now in progress. Next come two more mysterious cases, Mrs. Katie Ludwig, of Bronson township, Branch county, is suspected of having poisoned her husband, to whom she was married but three weeks ago. She denies giving him poison, or even buying it, but a Bronson druggist swears that she bought arsenic from him 10 days after the marriage. This is followed by the case of George Stewart, a farmer five miles from Big Rapids, whose death is held to be mysterious. His wife is alleged to have purchased strychnine while in Big Rapids with him on Monday. She admits buying the poison, and says she gave it to her husband at his request to kill rats in the granary. An investigation is in progress.

Student Suicides.

Russell McWilliams, a member of the junior class, U. of M., committed suicide Wednesday morning by shooting himself through the heart with a .32-caliber revolver. Temporary insanity is said to have been the cause. McWilliams was 19 years old and a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity. White Sutton, his roommate, heard the shot, and found McWilliams dying in bed. The suicide was a complete surprise and seals the epidemic of student suicides that occurred at this time last year. McWilliams' father, mother, brother and sister live in Kansas City, and as far as can be learned it was not bad news from home that caused the suicide.

STATE NEWS IN BRIEF.

Ithaca's tub factory will employ 200 men.

Otsego's county clerk issued 350 deer licenses.

Lansing's 97 factories employ 3,600 persons.

Mason county is spending \$14,000 on roads.

The Wood camp school is closed by unruly boys.

East Nelson people are wrestling with tonsillitis.

A Quincy man caught 500 muskrats in three months.

One hundred persons visit the U. of M. museum daily.

Metamora schools are closed on account of diphtheria.

Montrose children are having a scare of scarlet fever.

Deer hunting fatalities in Michigan: 14 killed, 21 wounded.

Over 600,000 former Michiganders now live in other states.

Michigan has trained 33,000 young people in its university.

Lyman Mann, a St. Joe bigamist, got one year in Jackson.

Stanton local optimists are fighting "clubs" which keep liquor.

Ionia county free mail service will go into effect June 1, 1904.

Alden is to have a commercial electric lighting plant next spring.

Frank Fisher, Owosso, had an ear partly bitten off in saloon fight.

No trace of Geo. Hurlsey, the missing Soo man, has been found yet.

A Menominee farmer grew 22 tons of sugar beets on 1 1/4 acres of ground.

An Osseo farmer raised 3,000 pounds of tobacco from 2 1/2 acres. Netted \$450.

Wm. Pitts, of Grand Rapids, has been arrested for deserting his small son.

Marquette and Menominee Downies have \$10,000 ready to send to Zion City.

Alpena county's criminal docket is cleared. Seven defendants pleaded guilty.

Marquette has the tallest U. S. mail carrier—Ed. Homeler, 6 feet 5 1/2 inches.

Fire destroyed the three-story brick Masonic temple in Blissfield Saturday evening.

Elk R. Sutton has written a story of a young man in Mexico. He ought to know.

A Kalamazoo woman named her house "The Club," and now he stays home nights.

Nels O. Paterson, of Lakewood township, aged 18, was instantly killed by a falling tree, while he was cutting wood.

At Lexington there is a man so mean that he steals the chimneys off the street lamps.

The prison board has rejected all the bids for the new block of cells and will readvertise.

Lorenzy Cornelius, aged 96, of Allegan, died in the poorhouse. She never wore shoes.

John Woolery, an inmate of the state school for the deaf, at Flint, has been arrested for theft.

Linden Presbyterians have secured Rev. Albert Ross, of Huron county, as their new pastor.

A Grand Haven man died of disease supposed to have been caused by a dog bite three years ago.

Roy Quinn, of Battle Creek, died Saturday as the result of injuries received while coasting.

Capt. Cleary, of the Marquette lifesaving station, reports the quietest season in many years.

Wheatland has furnished only one criminal case in the Hillsdale county circuit court in 30 years.

A member of the Au Train school board has been arrested, charged with defacing the school building.

Burglars cracked a safe with nitroglycerine in the general store of Homer Brazee, of Dewitt, Sunday night, and got about \$80.

Arza Haywood, of Muskegon, has returned to Chicago to face the charge of abandonment of his child, instead of resisting extradition.

The St. Johns common council does not believe in signs and has ordered that all be removed from the village's principal business street.

At a depth of 620 feet, the Umbholtz Oil Co. struck oil on the Umbholtz farm, seven miles northeast of Niles, and great excitement prevails.

John Rowett says he was shot at from ambush Saturday night in Wakefield while returning from strike duty at the Sunday Lake mine.

Only 2,000 farmers visited the city from all over the state to inspect McMenominee's \$1,000,000 beet sugar factory, now running in full force.

The corn husker claimed another victim at Davison, Frank O'Leary being caught in the machinery and losing a finger of his right hand.

Out of 450 suicides in Chicago for the present year, 239 were married, 30 widowers, 14 widows and 9 divorcees. Poison was taken by 225 persons.

John McCoy, of Ivorodon, O., complained that he was forced out of \$800 in a gambling room over a Morandi saloon. He accuses a traveling man.

Because he didn't believe in banks Henry Barego, a farmer near Greenville, kept his savings, \$350, in his woodshed. The shed burned and the money with it.

George LaTourette, of Pontiac, charged with enticing away 13-year-old Besse Perry, and his son, Gay, charged with statutory offense, have been bound over to the circuit court.

Wallace, the 15-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Burke, of Owosso, swallowed a tack, which lodged in his windpipe and the little one was dead before the parents knew anything was wrong.

Michigan stands twelfth in point of strength of its organized militia, with No. 1, length of route, 23 miles; population served, 663. Wales, St. Clair county, route No. 1; length of route, 24 miles; population served, 340.

There is much indignation expressed throughout the country over the discovery of Patrick McGuire, an aged patient at the county poor house in an out him, where he had been placed, it is alleged, by the authorities, because he is afflicted with fever sores.

A warrant is out for the arrest of Joe Edmunds, Bert McCafferty and Del Barber, of Lapeer, and John A. Williams, of Detroit, business men, charging them with stealing a deer from E. J. Thrasher, the county game warden. They say they are innocent.

Reports just completed by the treasury department show that customs receipts for the last fiscal year were: Detroit, \$1,265,998.43; Port Huron, \$284,036.90; Grand Rapids, \$91,711.94; Marquette, \$91,273.74; Grand Haven, \$4,890.06.

Flagman George Buckley, of Flint, noticed a broken brake beam on a Pere Marquette freight train passing, and urged the train just in time to avert a serious accident. The train was just about to cross the new bridge, where a large gang of men were at work.

Judge Wolcott, of the Grand Rapids Circuit Court, has ordered in the Adams-Baker breach of promise case that the plaintiff, Henrietta Adams, will have to accept \$10,000 less than was awarded her by the jury, or go through a new trial. Miss Adams was given \$30,000 by the jury.

An attempt on the part of several prisoners in the Chippewa county jail to escape was discovered by Sheriff Bone in time to prevent it. A saw was found in the possession of John Curry, sentenced for murder from Brimley, while Curry and Richard Tebo, sentenced for larceny, had sawed three bars in two.

Mrs. Ludwig, aged 18, who murdered her husband the third week of their marriage, has made a second confession. She says her marriage was forced by her parents, and that Geo. Kasmereck, her lover, came to her on her wedding day and said if she would poison Ludwig he would marry her. Kasmereck denies the story.

Willis Lawrence, a rural mail carrier running between Battle Creek and Chikama, is in a precarious condition, due to a peculiar accident. Lawrence started to fall on an icy sidewalk, and in his efforts to regain his poise he ruptured a blood vessel in his lungs. After numerous hemorrhages, pneumonia set in and the mail carrier is very ill.

Charles Easton, self-confessed murderer of Mrs. Elsie Leonard, was sentenced to life at Jackson. The prisoner displayed no emotion when sentence was passed upon him. A carriage was sent for Easton's father, aged 84, and an affectionate parting scene occurred before Easton left for prison.

Dr. W. J. Cavanaugh, formerly of Brooklyn, N. Y., is locked up charged with smuggling \$2,000 worth of jewelry into this country. Cavanaugh was arrested in a Port Huron saloon. The jewelry found in his possession, he claims, belongs to his wife. A letter addressed to the prisoner and intercepted by the customs officers, is signed "Queenie," and warns Cavanaugh to hide his "swag."

The cornerstone of Flint's new court house will be laid December 16 with Masonic ceremonies. Lodges from all over the country will be present, and military and other organizations will assist.

NEWS OF THE WORLD

A Brief Chronicle of All Important Happenings

The XVIII. Congress.

President Roosevelt's message to the fifty-fifth congress in regular session was read in both houses Monday and received close attention, particularly the portion devoted to the Panama situation.

Official information of the ratification of the Panama canal treaty has been received by the administration. In accordance with that information the president will at once send to the senate the treaty for ratification by that body.

The nomination of Gen. Wood, to be a major general, accompanied by the nomination of 167 other officers, whose advancement will follow his promotion and two or three civil appointments, were sent to the senate Monday.

Representative William Alden Smith introduced bills creating two new legal holidays. One sets aside the anniversary of the birth of President Lincoln, February 12, and the other the anniversary of the birth of President McKinley, January 29, both to be observed on the same basis as Washington's birthday.

Representative Dwight, of New York, introduced a bill establishing a postal currency providing for notes in the denominations of 5, 10, 25 and 50 cents to be issued by the postmaster-general, and kept on sale by all postmasters.

Provisions required by the government for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1905, The appropriations asked for aggregate \$624,562,146 as against \$589,180,112 asked for the year 1904, and \$605,286,090 the amount of the appropriations for that year.

Two Years Penalty.

Columbus Ellsworth Upton and Charles W. McGregor, former clerks in the postoffice department at Washington, who were found guilty of postal frauds, were sentenced in Baltimore Saturday to serve two years in the Maryland penitentiary and to pay a fine of \$1,000 each. The counsel for both defendants gave notice of appeal.

The specific offense charged against Upton and McGregor was conspiracy with Charles E. Smith, a leather merchant of Baltimore, to defraud the government of its contract for leather pouches. These pouches, which cost only 35 cents each, were furnished to the government for 90 cents. Upton and McGregor were convicted on testimony given by Smith. A. W. Machen was supposed to get a share of this graft also.

A Miser's Gift.

Gift-edged securities with a market value of \$733,000 have been taken from a safety deposit box by attorneys for the heirs of Maximilian Hershel, an aged reclusive and eccentric of the New York stock exchange, who died in St. Luke's hospital last July. Ninety-three additional bonds bring the value of the hoard up to \$950,000.

Just before he died, Hershel announced in the presence of witnesses that he wished all his property to be turned over to Mrs. Win. George, of Brooklyn, daughter of a couple who had befriended him in his youth and who had made his declining years comfortable by numerous attentions, not knowing of his great wealth.

Gorman to Withdraw.

A Democratic senator is quoted as authority for the statement that it was arranged on Saturday between Tammany Chief Murphy and Senator Gorman that in a short time Gorman would withdraw his name as candidate for the Democratic nomination for president in favor of Judge Parker, of New York, and Gorman would take the chairmanship of the Democratic national committee.

Dowie's Assets.

In a statement submitted to his creditors Dowie declares his assets to be \$18,245,210 and his liabilities only \$4,058,349. Of the liabilities \$452,267 is merchandise indebtedness. Notes bearing 5 per cent interest were offered by Dowie in settlement and he agreed to take up 10 per cent of his indebtedness in three months, 25 per cent in six months, 25 per cent in nine months and the remaining 40 per cent in one year.

Timber thieves have driven settlers from their homes in the Coeur d'Alene river district of Idaho, and a reign of terror exists. Millions of feet of timber have been stolen.

Maj.-Gen. MacArthur, who is in Honolulu studying the military situation, declares that Col. Jones misrepresents his views in the statement he (Col. Jones) made to the press that Gen. MacArthur had predicted that the United States and Germany would be at war in the near future.

John W. Blodgett, of Grand Rapids, Senator Burrows's right hand man, has been giving an interview in Washington in which he is alleged to have said that the adoption of primary reform will not close a single outlet for the use of money that is now possible by the delegate system.

Fran Fischer, a lion tamer, was torn to pieces by four lions in a menagerie cage and in sight of a great crowd of people at Dessau, Germany. She was trying to make a lion spring through a hoop and struck it with a whip, whereupon the animal leaped upon her and disemboweled her at one stroke.

United States Marshal Simmons, of the southern district of Alabama, has tendered his resignation to President Roosevelt, whom he charges, has drawn "the color line and drawn it in favor of the negro. The door of hope is closed to the white man, especially any self-respecting white man."

Eight human skeletons supposed to be the remains of continental soldiers who perished during the revolution were uncovered by workmen excavating in New York city hall park near the old hall of records. A prison in which the British confined American prisoners occupied this site in revolutionary times.

NATIONAL CAPITAL NOTES.

Representative Young wants a \$200,000 appropriation for public buildings at Ishpeming and Escanaba, \$100,000 for each place, and he has introduced the bills.

The session of congress immediately preceding presidential election is a bad time for any kind of government employees to look for a raise of salary. Prospects, however, are that an exception will be made this year and that the rural route mail carriers will be the beneficiaries.

Rep. Hitt, of Illinois, defended President Roosevelt's recognition of the Panama republic. The president, he said, had not been precipitate, but had waited a reasonable time. "But," he added, "he did not waste time—he never does. The whole world," he said, "had been in favor of a canal and," added Mr. Hitt, "we have got a man to work on it who will soon cut it through."

Capt. Lansing H. Beach has reported against an appropriation for a harbor of refuge at Pointe Aux Barques which was requested by the Pointe Aux Barques Summer Resort association. Capt. Beach says there is no demand on the part of navigation interests for a harbor of refuge there, because the shore is dangerous and rocky, and because the harbor of Sand Beach is only 25 miles away.

During the recent extraordinary session of congress the Michigan members of the house altogether introduced 440 bills and resolutions. Hamilton introduced 131 and 130 were for pensions. Sam Smith was a good second with 114. Washington Gardner introduced 31. Townsend 18, Darragh and Lucking each 13, McMoran 8, Loud 6, Biskley 4, Fordney 2. William Alden Smith and Young did not introduce any. Senator Alger introduced 14; Senator Burrows 12.

The pension bureau has prepared for congress a statement showing that the following amounts have been paid to soldiers, their widows, minor children and dependent relatives on account of military and naval service during the wars in which the United States has been engaged: Revolutionary war (estimated), \$70,000; war of 1812 (on account of service without regard to disability), \$45,186,197.22; Indian wars (on account of service without regard to disability), \$6,234,414.55; war with Mexico (on account of service without regard to disability), \$33,483,309.90; war of the rebellion, \$2,878,240,400.17; war with Spain, \$5,475,268.31. The actual total disbursements in pensions has been \$3,038,023,500.16.

CONDENSED NEWS.

Hearse drivers will go on strike with the other ivory drivers in Chicago. They demand shorter hours and better pay.

"Blind Devils" have attempted to blow up the Methodist church in Henryville, Ind., because the preacher had started a war against illegal liquor selling.

"Fra" Elbertus Hubbard, whose wife recently obtained a divorce on statutory grounds, will on January 1 marry the correspondent in the case, Miss Alice Moore.

Dr. William Osler, of Baltimore, received a \$10,000 fee for going to Milwaukee to consult with Capt. Fred Pabst's physicians. The captain is suffering from a complication of ailments.

King Alfonso of Spain was so affected by the accidental killing of a shepherd by one of his gamekeepers while he was hunting, that he gave up the sport and immediately returned to his palace.

Mrs. Everett Mallory Culver, daughter of Senator William A. Clark, of Montana, was granted a divorce from her husband, Dr. E. M. Culver, by Justice Maddox in the New York supreme court.

Seven Japanese jumped overboard at night from an Oriental liner at Astoria, Ore. They were being deported and risked a swim of 100 yards in the icy cold water. It is not known whether they reached land or not.

John D. Rockefeller started his retainers by appearing on his private golfing grounds at Lakewood in a satin vest of vivid green, gray trousers, yellow boots and a tourist's cap. His conduct was as youthful as his togs.

Cardinal Gibbons, of Baltimore, has declared a boycott upon "sweet shops" and in his Sunday sermon urged his people when making purchases to discriminate in favor of employers who treat their employees with justice and charity.

Levi Perham, aged 19, related in the county court in Bennington, Vt., how for love of Mrs. Mary H. Rogers, he aided the woman to murder her husband, to the end that with the \$500 insurance obtained on his life, she might furnish a home for the man she loved.

Secretary of War Root has taken a hand in the Wood investigation and wants an itemized account of receipts and expenditures of the military government of Cuba, which were submitted to congress, printed, so that certain insinuations against Gen. Wood can be refuted.

Sirius, the Star of Bethlehem

Theory of Profs. Forbes and Servis Refuted—Kepler's Hypothesis Untenable—Star in the East Must Have Been a Magian Star—Were the Magi, or Wise Men, Keltic Druids?

By Rev. F. P. Duffy, M. D., Secretary of the American Church Bible Institute.

The Star of Bethlehem is a theme of wondrous power. It has fascinated sages of the East and philosophers of the West. It has been discussed these nineteen hundred years by men of varying minds with a freshness that never fails. It excites a glow of fervid love in the breast of the saint. It kindles the dying embers of hope in the soul of the sinner. It is the ray of Heaven's own light to the afflicted. It beckons the prodigal back to the Father's home. It gives strength to the living. It brings peace to the dying.

But though a mystery of awe to angels, it is a Symbol of Love Divine to men. As such it cannot fail to profoundly interest every intelligent inquirer after truth. That we may the better understand the subject and more thoroughly appreciate the ways of God with man, I propose to treat the subject under the following heads:

1. The star was a real, true, bona fide star—not a mere temporary miraculous creation for the specific purpose.

It is allowed by all authorities that the Magi, or Wise Men, were learned. They would, therefore, make use of words and terms with discrimination. But not only were they learned, they were astronomers. Hence, when they used an astronomical term, they would use the appropriate word or phrase descriptive of the object referred to. They use the word "aster," which means an ordinary and permanent star, not an extraordinary and temporary one.

Now, in the Bible star is used only in a twofold signification—literally or figuratively. In its figurative sense it

6. It was a fixed star—not erratic in its movements. The term "star" was used by the Wise Men. But they were skilled astronomers and knew the difference between a star, a planet, a comet or a meteor, for all of which there were distinct names. Hence planet, comet, meteor are ruled out by the word aster (star). And hence we conclude that the Star in the East was a fixed star.

7. It was a star in the sign Pisces of the zodiac—the Sign of Judea. This is an important factor. Among the ancients there was a part of the heavens called the zodiac. It was a belt encircling the heavens on each side of the ecliptic, or apparent path of the sun among the stars, within which the larger planets always remain. It extended to eight degrees on either side of the ecliptic. It was divided into twelve parts called the Signs of the Zodiac. The different countries of the earth were divided among the twelve signs. Judea belonged to the sign pisces, the twelfth. The Magi, like all other astrologers or astronomers, believed in that division.

So far we have traced some of the necessary conditions of the star. Let us now try and discover the star that fulfills these conditions. In doing so we shall briefly discuss the different theories put forth and held by different people, some of them men of great eminence in their own particular sphere. We shall also show the untenableness of the different hypotheses.

I.—The star was not an angel. No less a father of the church than Theophylact held this view. He believed it was an angelic apparition. No doubt

seen, the Star of Bethlehem had a periodic time, which must necessarily have corresponded with "the fullness of time." But the periodic times of Mars, Jupiter, Saturn are all known and are of short duration. Even if we apply the periodic time to the conjunctions of the planets the objection still holds good. The times of the conjunctions are known and are comparatively short. So that attractive as is the theory of Kepler, we must dismiss it, and look elsewhere.

There is one star which fulfills all the conditions. (a) It was in an especial sense the Magi's star. (b) It has a periodic time. (c) Its revolution is of indefinite length. (d) It was in the sign Pisces at the birth of our Lord. (e) I believe we can find a peculiarity by which it could be called "His Star." That star was Sirius, the brightest in the firmament of heaven.

Before we can arrive at our final conclusion it is necessary to learn something about the Wise Men, or Magi. Who were the Magi? Where did they come from? The etymology of the word Magi is involved in much doubt. It is generally supposed to be primarily a Persian word, but the Persian is only a form of the original. Our word Magus, of which Magi is the plural, is but the Latin rendering of the Greek Magos, the Persian of which is probably Maz. Maz is cognate to Maj in Major, Mag in Magnus and Meg in Megas (Ravlinson). "It is an intensive and means much or all." In Ahura-Maz-da, Persian name for God, it means the all wise or all powerful.

It is clear, however, that the Persians borrowed the word, as they as-

soir go Hierusalem," which shows the Irish belief that the Druids were Magians.

It is a matter of history that part of the Gaels or Irish in the westward movement of the race returned by the valley of the Danube and settled in Asia Minor. They prefixed their own name to Asia, and called their abode Gael-Asia, or Galatia, as it came to be spelled.

Whether the Druids or Magi to whom the Star of Bethlehem appeared were residents of Ireland, Scythia, or Galatia is immaterial, for they were all the same Gaelic race. Having, as I hope, made it clear that it was to the Gaelic priests or Druids that the star of Bethlehem appeared, let us go back to primitive times, when Magism was incorporated with Zoroastrianism.

Besides Ahura-Mazda there were the Amesha-Spentas, or "the Immortal Holy Ones." There was a third class lower than the Amesha-Spentas. Among this class were Mithra and Tistrya. Mithra was the spirit of light, or the sun. Tistrya was the spirit of the brightest star in the firmament, or Sirius. Ultimately Mithra became associated with Ahura-Mazda and placed almost on an equality with him. So we may exclude Mithra from our calculations. Tistrya, next to the Divinity, became the object of the Magi's reverence. Sirius was his star, and thus became to the Magi "the star."

Balaam, the Rab-Mag, Chief Magian, or Arza Druid of his time, was a prophet like Iarbelon of the Gaels. In his prophecy, which still lives, he uttered, under the inspiration of Jeho-

RUSSIAN FASTS AND HOLIDAYS.

So Many That They Stand in the Way of Progress.

The great number of fasts and holidays also stands severely in the way of progress in Russia. In 1902, without reckoning ordinary Wednesdays and Fridays, which are always fast days, there were only 176 days which did not fall under one head or the other, and many fell under both. Besides the ordinary Lenten period, which, however, in Russia is forty-eight days long instead of forty, there have three shorter periods of fasting, one of nineteen days, in June; one of fourteen days, in August; and another of thirty-three days, in November and December. There are also three single days of fasting, of which two are also holidays.

Fasting is a serious matter in Russia, for fish, milk and eggs are forbidden as well as meats. The result is that the markets for such products are largely cut off for about one-third of the year, and dairy farming becomes unprofitable, as strict observance of fasts is a weightier matter with the people than honesty or any other feature of our system of morals. —Yale Review.

BIRDS EARN THEIR LIVING.

Why Songsters of the Air Have a Claim on Man.

Not a bird comes to the country but earns its living from the people. In some way, or another they earn their right to live. Most of the song birds are insect eaters. It is a question whether we could live on this earth if insects were allowed to multiply in the numberless forms and myriads of progeny that nature provides. Certainly man could not alone keep the insects down without the help of the birds. Even the hawks and owls live mostly on field mice and gophers, and Mr. Crow will eat almost any old thing which if allowed to pollute the air, means disease and death. —Pembina Pioneer Express.

Bismarck's Slight Mistake.

Andrew White, former ambassador to Germany, writing in the Century repeats this story in the words of Prof. Gneist: "One day I met Bismarck and asked him about his health. He answered: 'It is wretched; I can neither eat nor sleep.' I answered: 'Let me send you something that will help you. I have just received a lot of Hermitage and will send you a dozen bottles. If you take a couple of glasses each day with your dinner it will be the best possible tonic and will do you great good.' Some time afterward," continued Gneist, "I met him again and asked how the wine agreed with him. 'Oh,' said Bismarck, 'not at all; it made me worse than ever.' 'Why,' said I, 'how did you take it?' 'Just as you told me,' replied Bismarck; 'a couple of bottles each day with my dinner.'"

Treasures in National Museum.

The zoological collections of the National Museum have grown to immense size, rivaling and in some cases surpassing, those of any other museum. Of insects there are in the government collection nearly 1,500,000 specimens; of recent shells nearly 1,000,000 specimens; besides at least 500,000 specimens of other aquatic invertebrates, about 200,000 specimens of fishes, more than 60,000 birds' eggs; 120,000 specimens of birds; more than 40,000 reptiles and batrachians; and more than 75,000 specimens of mammals.

The Old and the New.

The baby slept well in the cradle of old, By the roaring blaze, when the nights were cold, And somebody rocked with rhythmic sweep Till the baby eyelids were closed in sleep. In summer time, too, by the open door, Frooning a lullaby o'er and o'er, The foot must keep the cradle swinging. The tired voice must go on a-singing. The baby sleeps well in the cradle today; In the flickering gas-lights the shadows play. With a rhythmic sweep does the cradle rock To and fro like an eight-day clock. Wound up each night, it swings along, While the gramophone croons out the song. And the baby cries little, so long as there's swinging, And the gramophone keeps up its singing. —Modern Society.

Crews of Naval Vessels.

Each crew of a naval vessel consists of seven men besides the captain of the turret, who has general charge. There are two guns in each turret, so that when in action there are in a turret fifteen men. At each gun a breech, a rammer man, a hoist man, a breacher lock man and a loader. Each has his station, and the seven men practically become part of the gun, working together like a machine.

Big Consignment of Silver Coin.

The largest consignment of silver coin ever brought to England by one vessel was landed at Plymouth from the Hamburg-American Company's Deutschland on her arrival from New York. It consisted of 720 cases of Mexican dollars, weighing in all about sixty-four tons and worth over £160,000. It was forwarded by train, and will be melted down and re-coined.

A Suggestion to "Cavendish."

Major C. is exceedingly fond of the game of whist. On one occasion he was speaking of the way in which adverse luck will sometimes pursue a man and remarked that he once played a whole week at the White Sulphur Springs and never held a trump. Some one in the company suggested that that was impossible, because he must have held at least one trump every time he dealt the cards. But the major replied: "Every time I dealt it was a misdeal."

SUNNY SICILY: ISLE OF HISTORY & ROMANCE

(Special Correspondence.)

Students of human nature and political economy, and travelers who are restlessly in search of something new to whet their appetites for life, will undoubtedly be interested in recent arrangements made by some of the steamship companies whereby the larger boats of the transatlantic lines will make Palermo a port of call for the season.

This means that Sicily may now be reached with as much ease as when one lands at either Genoa or Naples, and that the rough journey from Messina or Naples to Palermo which heretofore had barred many tourists from entering Sicily, has become a real pleasure trip.

To know Europe, we are told, one must know Italy, and Goethe assures

lift their abundant fruits; fine old olive trees, pinky peach trees and plum trees stand like huge bouquets; almonds, always lovely, lift their branches wreathed in soft foliage; hedges of prickly pears send out great arms over secondary hedge rows of scarlet geraniums, and all along the road side are pink asphodel and beautiful, passion-dyed poppies, a-growing.

In early March there are immense fields of artichokes already ripe, and pastures, grain fields and gardens are all intermingled with almond orchards, terraced vineyards, fruit plantations and parks full of tropical shrubs.

All types of people are, I suppose, the outcome of environment and circumstances, but with Sicilians this is peculiarly true. In each of the several distinctive types to be found in the island may be recognized the impress which a long line of intermarriages has left. In their faces, character and daily life we find a curious blending of the effects of glaring sunshine and heavy scented flowers, frequent earthquakes, war and woe, so that, as one writer has put it, "There is sunshine and beauty all over the land, and a burden of hunger and distress on her children, and the beauty of the women and dignity of the men are always intensified by the veiled sorrow in their eyes."

The commercial classes are plain, oftentimes coarse, and devoid even of the grace and litheness which is their natural heritage. Their thrift is that of patient poverty, native ingenuity forbidding any waste.

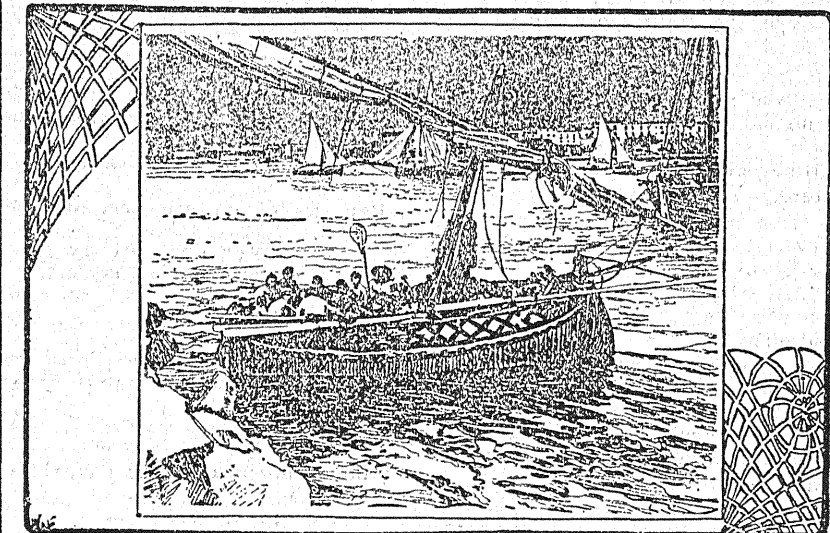
"Idleness becomes a dignified profession, and the first lesson they learn is to do nothing on no income," but for the most part they are simple, music-loving, home-loving, quick-witted people, whose everyday life as the tourist sees it is intensely interesting from its very simplicity and quaintness.

A Youthful Beauty.

us, "Italy without Sicily leaves no image in the soul," yet Sicily with all its picturesque scenery, its relics of classic times, its beautiful examples of architecture and its wealth of legendary history, has attracted comparatively few of the tourists who annually "do" Europe.

Nevertheless this "pearl of the Mediterranean," as it is called, offers an inexhaustible field of interest to whoever enters its borders.

The archeologist might spend the rest of his days wandering among the caves of the cliff dwellers, Cyclopean structures, old Byzantine edifices, Roman bridges, Saracenic mosques, etc., and yet have seen but a small fraction of its wonders. Indeed Sicily is often



Fishing Boats in the Harbor.

dubbed "the archeological museum of Europe."

As for the student of mythology, was not this island the Cyclops' own home? Here Ulysses landed with his jolly companions, the glory of the conquests of Troy full upon him; Conquerors gathered her flowers and all the traditions of Demeter and Persephone and pagan Enno and thousands of others cluster around this place.

Sicily has been the battling ground of innumerable wars, and consequently "the football of emperors, popes and kings."

Poor little Sicily! She has been in turn ruled by Swabians, Angevins, Aragons, Catalans, Castilians, Savoyards, Spaniards, Austrians and the hated Bourbons, whose government Gladstone described as "The negation of God erected into the form of a government!" ere Garibaldi broke the bondage yoke in 1860 and freed Sicilians to live their own lives.

The picturesque start from Naples takes the tourist through a no less picturesque route to Palermo, and whether the trip be made in winter or spring, with Vesuvius in full action, and by chance a full moon, the spectacle is one not often witnessed nor easily forgotten.

The flaming volcano sends a ribbon of red light across the bay, and a cloud of glowing steam against the black sky through which the silver moon trails shows up with startling effect above the dark blue of the waters. By early morning land is sighted, and Monte Pellegrino rises from the sea, a gray green mass, brightened by its rocks and cliffs.

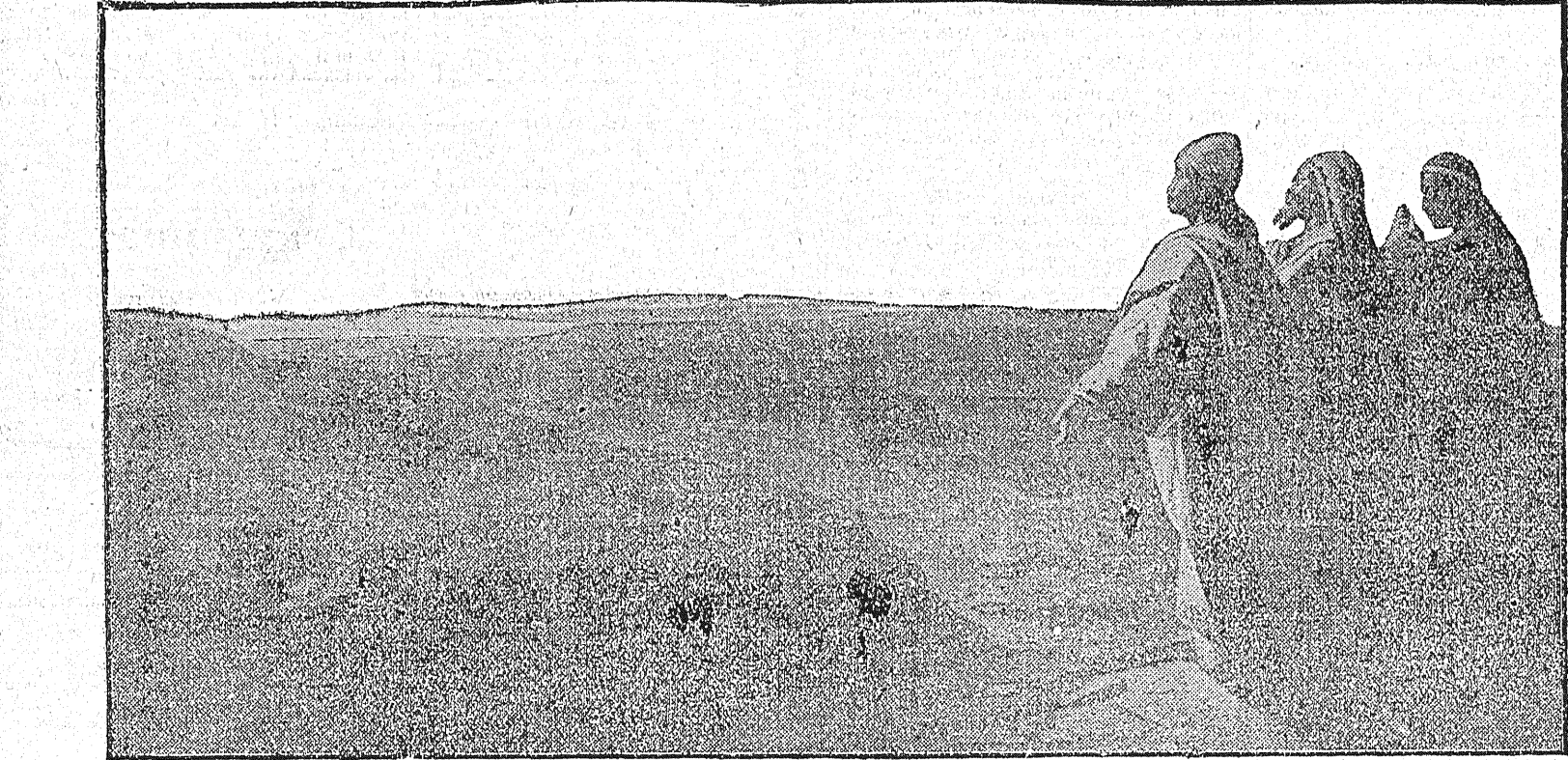
Entering the harbor of Palermo, interest centers in the gay-colored boats gliding about. Scores of bum-boats range themselves around the steamer; fishing smacks and coasting steamers are anchored here and there, or cruise lazily about, the whole scene suggesting the "dolce far niente" life of the Italy of which we read.

Not half has ever been told of Sicily's interest. Her sculpture districts, her lava covered section, her fascinating brigandage, her fashionable seaside resort life, her people and her prospects, are all subjects each one of which would require whole volumes to adequately describe.

Married life may or may not be a success, but there is certainly a difference between burning the old man's gas and your own.—Philadelphia Telegraph.



A SICILIAN FISHER BOY.



means a king or other civil ruler, an ecclesiastical teacher, and perhaps an angel. It is not used in its metaphorical sense here. Therefore it means a real star.

2. It was a star in motion—it changed its position in the heavens. Motion is characteristic of all the heavenly bodies; and the words of the sacred narrative are, "The star went before them till it came." When first they saw the star it occupied a particular spot in the sky. Now, however, it has a different position, not relatively because of the change in the field of observation, but absolutely by change of location in the heavens. No doubt the motion was a movement in its orbit. This will appear more plainly from our next proposition.

3. It was a star that had an aster-tice—it stood at a particular point in the sky above them. The statement is very distinct: "It came and stood over where the young child was."

4. It was a star that moved in an orbit—it had a periodic time. This is a most remarkable statement. We are told that Herod privately learned of the Magi "what time the star appeared." The margin of the Revised Version gives us a better, because a more correct translation of the phrase; it is, "The time of the star that appeared." But the literal rendering is "the time of the appearing star."

5. It was a star that had a relative position in the sky—it was in the east. Assuming that the correct rendering of "anatoles" is "in the east," then it has reference to that particular part of the heavens to the east of the observer. The observers, therefore, must have been west of Jerusalem. This is a point to be borne in mind, as we shall have to refer to it, more particularly later on. The conclusion here arrived at is contrary to the generally received opinion. As far as I am aware, it is universally held that the Magi were resident or located in the east at the time the star appeared to them. Yet according to the plain terms of the statement, they must have been located in the west. Anatole means (1) the rising of the heavenly bodies from the horizon; (2) the dawn or day-spring; (3) the east or Orient. Whichever meaning you adopt the beholder must have been west of the star. The star must have pointed to or been at Jerusalem when first observed by the Wise Men. Therefore the Wise Men must have been west of Jerusalem.

angels were sent on messages from Heaven to men and the Angel Gabriel was used in the Annunciation. But the angelic vision would disappear with the accomplishment of the object. Not so the star; it remained.

II.—The star was not a meteor. This view has been largely held. It is asserted that some kind of meteoric phenomenon would best meet the necessities of the case. But any meteor drawn to the earth would either be consumed by the atmospheric friction or else would fall to the ground and become extinguished. Its appearance would be almost momentary.

III.—The star was not a comet. One of the greatest fathers of the church, Orogen, held this view. But not all the weight of Orogen's great scholarship could obtain credence for such a belief. Just recently this theory of a comet has been revived, unconsciously, however, that Orogen was the father of it. Prof. David Forbes in England and Prof. Servis in America both claimed to have identified the Star of Bethlehem with Halley's comet. At the time I refuted the theory in an article that appeared in the Chicago Evening Post, April 11, 1903.

IV.—The star was not a conjunction of planets. This is the most feasible as well as fascinating theory. It is that of the great astronomer, Kepler. He calculated that there was a conjunction of Mars and Jupiter on the night of Dec. 25 in the year of Rome 747. Next year Saturn joined Mars and Jupiter, and according to Dean Alford, the eminent commentator, the light of the three planets blended and appeared to the beholder as one light. What a beautiful illustration of Trinity in Unity—the lights of three planets blended into one light! Ideler confirmed Kepler's calculation as to the conjunction of the planets. Wieseler, who followed, makes the conjunction in A. U. C. 750, the year of the Nativity now agreed upon by the learned. It is remarkable too that the conjunction of the planets took place in the sign pisces, the Sign of Judea. This theory is also free from the objections above referred to.

But beautiful as is the theory, Biblical conditions compel us to reject it. Christ's birth took place, according to St. Paul, in "the fullness of time." This fullness of time is an astronomical expression meaning the completion of a cycle, or the revolution of a sphere in its orbit. That cycle, or revolution, occupied thousands of years in its completion. As we have

simulated the priesthood, from the Medians, and the Medians received it from the Accadians, who inhabited the country afterwards called Babylonia. The Accadians were the "Highlanders" who descended from the mountainous region of Elam" (Sayce).

The statement of the evangelist, "There came wise men from the east to Jerusalem," may seem to militate against this view, but in reality it strengthens it. The phrase is apo anatole, "from the east." Apo is a preposition of severance. It means "far from," when motion is excluded, as in this instance. (See Liddell & Scott, Greek Dictionary). Its relation is to something external. Had the Magi lived in the east the preposition used would be "ek." Apo "marks in strictness the separation of objects externally; not in or within another, for in respect to such ek is used" (Robinson: Lexicon of the New Testament). Indeed apo not infrequently has the force of negation, and equals a not. Apo anatole, therefore, excludes every part of the east as the residence of the Magi.

The Irish claim to be descended from Magos, the grandson of Noah. They originally came from Scythia. Their language belongs to the Scythic tongue or stock of languages, which connects them with the ancient Accadians. This is the same stock and race to which we traced the Magi. The original country of the Magi and Gael is the same.

It is well known that the Irish were some centuries ago known as Scots. Scot comes from Scuit, and this is the Irish for Scythia. The Greek vocalization of Scuit was Skuthes, and later Skotos. (See Keating's History of Ireland and the Century Dictionary.) From Scuit comes "Scut," a term of derision, referring to the short garment or kelt of the Scot (Irish).

In the seventh century before Christ the Greeks came in contact with a race "whom they called Scythians. An exacter form of the name was Scioloti. Herodotus and Hippocrates clearly distinguish the Scioloti, or true Scythians, from all their neighbors. (Encyclopaedia Britannica.) It will be seen at a glance that Scot(oi)s is but a different linguistic way of spelling Scot or Scuit.

The Irish word Druid means wisdom or Magian. It is worthy of record that the Irish Scriptures render "there came wise men from the east" by "there came Druids from the east." The Irish words are: "Draioch a nuaid"

valh, "The star shall come out of Jacob." Sirius was "the star" to all the Magians. The stars symbolized kings or rulers. He whom Sirius symbolized, therefore, would be greatest of all kings.

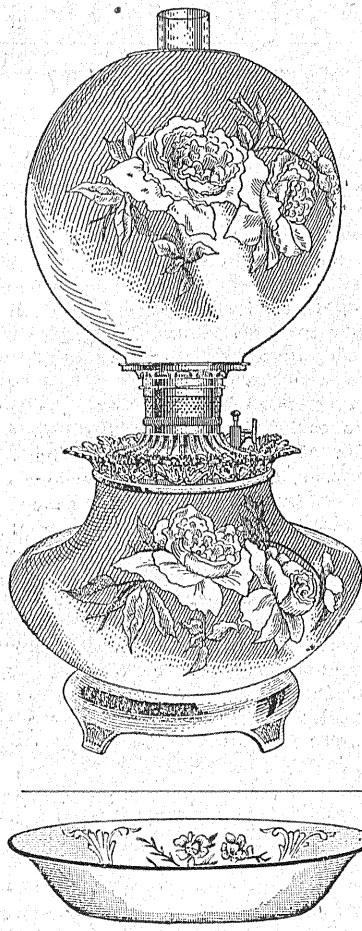
If we could connect Sirius in any way with Jacob at the time of the Nativity there could be no question as to the star of Bethlehem. And we can do it. The twelfth sign of the Zodiac was Pisces. And Pisces was the Sign of Palestine, or Jacob, or land of Judea. That part of the heavens known as Pisces presented a most remarkable spectacle at the time of the Nativity. There the splendor of the heavens appeared to culminate. The sun seemed to shine with a deeper effulgence. Meteors, precursors of some mighty event, flashed athwart the sky. Comets shot from out the darkness of space and illuminated the sign with their fiery flow. Mars and Jupiter and Saturn halted in their orbits to focus their lights into one mighty blaze in Pisces. And wondrous sight! The star—the Magians' Star—his star—Sirius!—enters Pisces, and is now in Jacob!

This wondrous event occurred in B. C. 5. The heliacal rising of Sirius took place on the same day in four successive years, the fifth, fourth, third and second B. C. There is something most remarkable about this heliacal rising. It is on the same day. But sameness is unity. It thus symbolizes the Unity of the Deity. Then, assuming that B. C. 4 is the correct year of the Nativity, which scholars assert, there was one year before the birth and three after it. In the symbolism of numbers one is Unity and three Trinity. But the one year before birth signified the past revelation of God, or unity of the Deity. The three years after the birth symbolized the new revelation, the Trinity of Persons. Lastly unity and trinity (one year + three years) equal the complete and perfect number four; the years that Sirius may be said to have remained in Pisces. This symbolism occurs with the rising of Sirius, which signified the rising of the Light of the World. It was as if, whilst heaven's arches rang with the angels' loud acclaim, Sirius flashed through space, "Arise! Shine! For thy light is come!"

Ravenswood, Chicago, Feast of the Nativity, 1903.

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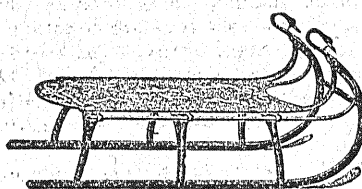
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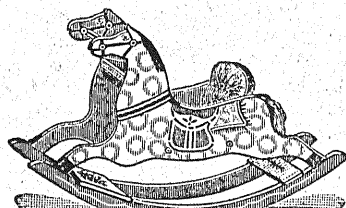
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Local Happenings.

Rich. Parr, Jr., of Beaufort, was a pleasant caller at our sanctum on Tuesday.

Miss Mary Zinnecker entertained her Sunday School class at her home, last Tuesday evening.

The special prices announced in our last issue by G. A. Stevenson, will continue until Jan. 1st.

Joseph Clement, who has been employed at his home recently, spent Sunday at his home here.

A. E. Boulton shipped one of his Large English Berkshire swine to L. E. Bird at Vassar this week.

Thanks to the kindness of Mrs. R. Luzenby, the editor and family had a fine venison steak for dinner recently.

Mr. and Mrs. I. B. Auten attended the dedicatory services of the new Caro Presbyterian Church last Sunday.

G. A. Stevenson was called to Tuscola on Saturday, owing to the serious illness of his father, J. W. Stevenson.

F. C. Lee returned Friday evening from a prolonged stay at Toledo, O., where Mrs. Lee remains in very poor health.

"A Choice for Eternity" will be the Epworth League topic next Sunday evening. Leaders, Percy V. Eno and Will A. Seeger.

Rev. Rich. Weaver occupied the pulpit of the Ortonville church last Sunday, Rev. J. W. Fenn supplying the vacancy here.

The recently formed dancing club gave their second weekly dance last Friday evening at the Opera House reception room.

Pearl Parker, who has recently been employed in the Upper Peninsula Hospital at Newberry, returned to his home here last week.

C. W. Ewing and Jas. Pettinger, of Cumber, have recently accepted a position with a bridge gang on the Pere Marquette railroad.

Miss Margaret Miller, who has been teaching at Akron for her sister, Miss Bessie, has returned to her home here, the latter having been able to resume her duties.

J. L. Hitchcock & Sons call especial attention to the completeness of their hardware and dry goods departments in their new advertisement. Call and see the extra values.

Old Mrs. Ryan, mother of the Ryan Bros., of Gettysburg, died early in the week, and the funeral services were held on Tuesday. Her husband still survives.

Prof. Gerrit Masselink, of the Agricultural College, has arranged to be present at the Farmers' Institute here on Jan'y 10th, to conduct the same. Further announcement will be made next week.

F. Lenzner is now in a position to supply your order for a strictly first-class organ, having made satisfactory arrangements to buy direct from the manufacturers. See his advertisement in this issue.

Jas. Garety, who formerly labored with J. A. Renshler here, but left his employ to open a shop at Owadala, is doing a rushing business. He has just added an addition to his shop and has a helper constantly employed.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Koppelerberger, formerly of Deford, but who have since lived at Eames, mourn the loss of their child. H. P. Lee received word on Saturday to conduct the funeral at Deford on Monday, the interment taking place at the McQuillan cemetery. Rev. D. H. Kyes conducted the service.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry E. Wood are happy over the advent of another little son to their home last Monday. Mrs. Wood has been staying with her parents near Caro recently, where the happy event occurred.

The following letters remain unclaimed at the Cass City Postoffice for the week ending, Dec. 5th 1903: W. D. Petty, W. T. Prescott, Miss Cora Harmon, David Shaw, Mart Hanson and Belle Robertson. H. S. Wickware P. M.

Word reached here early in the week that Harry J. Landrigan, who left here for California only a few weeks ago, was dead. Particulars are not yet at hand, except that the remains are likely to arrive here on Friday. The news was not unexpected as it was feared when he left here he would not long survive. His early demise is much regretted by his many friends.

Messrs. Ogden and E. N. Hartt, of Wilmot, were in town on Tuesday. The latter is in charge of the taking of contracts for the ensembles for the Williams Bros., of Detroit, for their stations at this place and at Wilmot. He is just completing the work at Wilmot where about one hundred and eighty acres are contracted for next season and will soon begin work here.

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John Walker, the artist, gave us a peep at one of his recently completed productions the other day and we must say it was a "thing of beauty." It was a water color portrait of Ver-nita, the little daughter of Dr. A. N. Treadgold, and finished so exquisitely natural that no second look is necessary to reveal the identity. The gilt oval frame with which it was surrounded increased the beauty of the artistic piece.

The Valley Telephone Company is now able to offer service from here, the booth of their office here having been placed in position at L. I. Wood & Co.'s drug store yesterday. They offer service to any point in the county reached by their lines for ten cents and five minute service to Detroit for forty-five cents. The service is said to be first-class and already the operators here find quite a demand for the Valley lines.

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We understand that while at the International Live Stock Show at Chicago, C. S. Karr, of the Balsam Row Stock Farm, near here, sold two of his Shorthorns, a bull and a heifer, and purchased a splendid "straight Scotch" two-year-old heifer, catalogued as Maid of Fairview IV. The report says "This heifer has in her the making of a fine show cow, and Mr. Karr is to be congratulated in securing so fine an animal."

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Miss Zella Beardsley, who has been the competent and popular teacher of the Kindergarten department of our schools for the past year and a half, has resigned her position, owing to poor health, the same to take immediate effect. Her many friends, among the little ones and their parents, regret that such a step has become necessary and hope that a rest may speedily bring relief. The Board of Education fully expect to secure another teacher in time for the opening of school after the holiday vacation.

A perfect and pleasant surprise was given Mr. and Mrs. J. Schenck on Tuesday of last week. They were sitting quietly at their home, corner of Sanilac and Leach Streets, feeling rather lonely, when Mrs. W. T. Schenck came in carrying a parcel and saying she had brought some chicken feed, which was nothing unusual, but she immediately took off her wraps, stirred up the fire and began giving the rooms an extra touch, remarking after a time that she was going to take dinner with them. Soon after Warren came in, looking quite good natured, quickly followed by Mrs. L. I. Wood, also loaded, and the old folk thought best to surrender without a struggle—and they kept coming, Travis Schenck, and the grandchildren, and all were soon seated around a heavily laden table where good things abounded. It proved to be a very pleasant gathering indeed and will not soon be forgotten by the old people.

The funeral services of James Ramsey, whose death was briefly mentioned in our last issue, were held on Sunday afternoon. Notwithstanding the fact that the day was a cold one, and the snow banks made it difficult getting about, the attendance was large. The services were held at the home on Seeger Street, conducted by Revs. M. W. Gifford and S. P. Jackson, while the Odd Fellows and Rebekahs, of which lodges deceased was a member, attended as a body. Nine members of the Caro lodges were present also. Deceased was also a member of the K. O. T. M. M., but as many of the Sir Knights are also Odd Fellows, it was not thought best to attend as a lodge. The service at the cemetery was made as brief as possible owing to the cold. Deceased was born near Toronto, Ont., but has resided here about twenty-one years. For several years he has held offices in the village, such as marshal, fire warden, street commissioner and has assisted to quite an extent with the management of our lighting and water systems. His mother, who had been visiting a daughter in Toronto, and his only brother, Samuel, of East Jordan, arrived in time for the funeral. His wife and two step children, Dora and Elvin, have the sympathy of all.

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