

LOOK AT THIS FOR ONE WEEK 25 Pounds

Granulated Sugar for \$1.00

With every purchase of \$2.00 or more in our dry goods or
shoe departments, we will sell you 25 pounds of granulated
sugar for \$1.00.

GEO. H. KEMPF.

Always the Cheapest.
Highest Price for Butter & Eggs.

HOAG & HOLMES.

We are determined to lead in Warm Weath-
er Goods, and have placed on sale
the largest stock of

Refrigerators, Ice Cream Freezers,
Vapor Stoves, Screen Doors,
Ice Tongs, Ice Picks,
Hammocks, Croquets,
Fishing Tackle, Spray Pumps,
Base Balls and Bats, Oil Stoves,
Baby Carriages, Lawn Mowers,
Hose Reels, Small Garden Tools.

Ever shown in Chelsea. Inspection solicited.
Prices Guaranteed the Lowest.

HOAG & HOLMES.

**ONLY
TWO
WEEKS
MORE.**

Only two weeks more and the 30 days wholesale price Clothing Sale
will be over.

Many have taken advantage of this sale.
We have yet hundreds of suits that will be closed out at actual
wholesale prices.

These goods added to our regular stock of spring clothing makes
the assortment fully equal to that shown by any clothing store in the
county.

All new goods cut and made in the latest style.
We bought these goods cheap, consequently we can sell them cheap.

If you are in need of clothing this spring
don't pay retail prices for old goods,
when you can buy new
goods at just what
they cost the
retailer

All wool Sawyer suits \$12.00, other dealers will tell you they are
cheap at \$16.00.

Until these goods are closed out we shall continue to offer
Regular \$20.00 suits for \$15.00.
Regular \$15.00 suits for \$11.00.
Regular \$12.00 suits for \$9.00.
Regular \$10.00 suit for \$7.50.
Regular \$7.50 suit for \$5.00.
Regular \$4.00 suits for \$3.00.
Regular \$5.00 pants for \$4.00.
Regular \$3.50 pants for \$2.25.
Regular \$2.50 pants for \$1.75.

Satisfaction guaranteed or money refunded.

Our \$2.50 Ladies Kid Shoe Beats the
World.

Try Them.

Yours truly,

W.P. SCHENK.

Corner Main and Middle Streets.

Here and There.

Ember days.
Main street is being graveled.
Farmers are busy planting corn.
Herbert Foster is home from Detroit.
Fish are biting and mosquitoes soon will.
Ernest Helmrich visited his parents
Wednesday.
Born, May 12, 1891 to Dr. and Mrs.
Palmer, a son.

Whooping cough has made its appear-
ance in Ann Arbor.

The heavy frost last Saturday night did
considerable damage.

Rev. E. D. Kelly, of Dexter, was a guest
at St. Mary's Rectory yesterday.

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issue which everyone should read.

W. J. Knapp is having an addition
built to the west side of his residence.

The M. E. Parsonage is being treated to
a coat of paint, which improves its looks.

Heman Woods is having the lawn
around his residence on West Middle
street graded and sodded.

The state weather bureau, in its weekly
report, says that the crops need rain very
much, but do not need any more ice and
frost.

This month and next you can have your
buggy painted in first-class style, from
\$4.00 to \$8.00 by calling on Andrew
Heves, Chelsea.

Chelsea is enjoying substantial prosper-
ity. New buildings are being erected.
Improvement and progress are apparent
on every hand.

Miss Ella Barber and Miss Abbie Gates
were in Howell Tuesday as delegates to
the Baptist Young People's Convention,
held in that city.

An excellent lotion for the face and neck
when sunburned is a mixture of two parts
Jamaica rum to one of lemon juice. This,
perhaps, accounts for some of the myster-
ious packages that fishing parties take.

Luck saved the Cleary business college,
of Ypsilanti, from fire Saturday night.
A passer-by discovered a blaze in the base-
ment. The fire was soon extinguished
and the investigation which followed re-
vealed the fact that some one had dropped
a fire box, loaded with shavings and kero-
sene, into the basement.

Mr. Frank Howard, who was painting
St. Mary's Rectory, fell from the roof of
the portico to the ground last Tuesday
evening, and, at first, was thought to be
seriously injured. He was on a step-
ladder which gave way, when he met
with the accident. He was taken to his
home in Detroit yesterday morning. He
has no internal injuries, but his shoulders
and back are very sore. He will be able
to work in a week or ten days.

We clip the following from the Pinck-
ney Dispatch: Rev. G. H. Hopkins, pas-
tor of the M. E. church at this place, left
on Friday morning of last week and has
not been heard from since. The elder has
studied very hard for the past few years
besides doing a great amount of minister-
ial work, and it is feared that his mind is
affected as no other cause is assigned to
the strange act. His wife has the sym-
ptom of the whole church and vicinity.

Last Tuesday morning, May 19, 1891,
Mr. Daniel Murta and Miss Sarah Harris,
an estimable young lady from Pinckney,
were united in the holy bonds of marriage
at St. Mary's church, the rector Rev.
Father Considine, officiating. The happy
couple had as attendants, Mr. Malachy
Roche and Miss Mary Harris. Mr. and
Mrs. Murta are widely and favorably
known in Pinckney, and will receive
many congratulations from hosts of friends
on their auspicious union. Their future
home will be in Northern Michigan.

The commencement exercises, which
closed the doors forever to the Gradu-
ating Class of the Chelsea High School,
were held at the town hall last Friday
evening. A large concourse of parents
and friends being in attendance. The
program was one of surpassing interest
and was executed in a pleasing manner.
The work of Prof. Hall, as superintendent,
has been complex and arduous, but so
well has he systematized the various
and perplexing duties, that, ably assisted
by a skilled corps of unselfish and enthu-
siastic teachers, he has been able to advance
the schools to a high grade of discipline
and proficiency. The splendid perfor-
mance of the graduating class is the highest
testimonial to his success and the warmest
approbation of the efforts put forth by the
teachers.

We clip the following from the May
Crop Report: "Wheat in Michigan, on
the first of this month, was in fine condi-
tion. Compared with vitality and growth
of previous years, the average condition in
the southern counties was 104 per cent., in
the central counties 99 per cent., and in
the northern counties 100 per cent. The
highest condition reported on May 1, in
the previous six years was in 1888 when
the average condition in the southern
counties was 107, and in the central coun-
ties 99. The condition is reported below
100 in only four counties out of the twenty-
eight in the southern section of the state.
These are Genesee, 97; Lapeer, 94; Otta-
wa, 89; Shawanago, 89. There will be
practically no wheat plowed up this year
because winter-killed, or otherwise de-
stroyed."

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THE DUST BROWN RANKS

HALT!
WHILE
WE
RATHER
HESITATE TO

Employ the sentiment of Memorial Day
to further our business interests, yet we
feel that this is now uppermost in the
minds of the people. A good rule is
to "write of what people are talking
about." Just now by the way, almost
everybody is talking about our delicious
Soda Water and Vernor's celebrated
Ginger Ale, which is drawn sparkling,
cold and clear from our Fountain. Try
it, keep cool, and be happy. Some folks
are talking about our prices, too. We
hastily enumerate prices on some every-
day necessities.

Wool Twine.....5c per lb
Sweet Cuba Tobacco.....38c per lb
Banner Smoking Tobacco.....18c per lb
Bird seed.....5c per pound
22 lbs Granulated sugar for.....\$1.00
Cinchonidia.....9c per oz
New Figs.....10c per lb
Quinine.....25c per oz
Choice lemons.....25c per doz
Fine Florida Oranges.....18c per doz
Epps' Cocoa.....18c per lb
Choice Honey.....30c per oz
Fine Perfumes.....25c per lb
Water White Oil.....10c per gal
4 1/2 lbs crackers for.....25c
Good H. Raisins.....8c per lb
Starch.....6c per lb
Saleratus.....6c
Soap, Balbit, Jackson, Russian, 6 for 25c
Yeast cakes.....8c per pkg
Finest tea dust.....12 1/2c per lb
Good Japan tea.....30c
Full Cream Cheese.....12 1/2c per lb
Salmon.....11c per can
6 pounds rolled oats.....25c
Lamp Wicks 1 yd long, 1c each 10c doz
Stove Polish.....5c per pkg
Lantern Globes.....5c each
Lamp Chimneys, medium size.....3c each
Lamp Chimneys, large size.....5c each
28 boxes matches, 300 to box, for.....25c
Large Jugs French Mustard.....15c
4 pounds best rice.....25c
Choice new prunes.....12 lbs for \$1.00
Choice dates.....8c per lb
Clothes pins.....6 doz for 5c
Choice mixed candy.....12 1/2c per lb
Coddish bricks.....8c
All #1 Medicines.....58 to 78c
Finest roasted Rio coffee.....25c per lb
Fine roasted peanuts.....10c
All 75c Medicines.....38 to 58c
Best baking powder.....30c per lb
Royal baking powder.....45c
Dr. Price's baking powder.....42c
All 50c Medicines.....28 to 38c
Sardines.....50c per can
8 lb cans tomatoes.....10c
2 lb cans sugar corn.....8c
Star Axle Grease.....50c per box
All 35c Medicines.....18 to 28c
Good plug tobacco.....25c
Good fine cut tobacco.....25c
Farmers' Pride smoking.....15c
Sulphur.....25 pounds for \$1
Good molasses.....25c per gal
Fine sugar syrup.....88c per gal
All 25c Medicines.....12 to 18c
Verily, Merrily, More and More,
It Pays to Trade at
GLAZIER'S STORE.

FARMERS
Are especially invited to do their Banking
business with the
Chelsea Savings Bank.

Date, Mar. 10th, 1891.
State Law Guarantee Fund and
Capital.....\$100,897.52
Deposits, Mar. 10th, 1891.....178,374.76
Invested in Choice Bonds,
Mortgages and approved
Loans.....120,879.80
Cash on hand and in banks.....105,303.34

If you have money deposit it in the
Chelsea Savings Bank, that it may earn
for you interest, or until wanted, that you
may be free from care and fear of loss by
fire, thieves or otherwise. If you need
to borrow money, upon good approved
security, the Chelsea Savings Bank will be
glad to supply it for you.

The Chelsea Savings Bank has recently
had built for it one of the strongest
safes made, being the new patterns of
the Mosler Bank Safe Companies, Round
Screw Door, Laminated Chrome Steel,
Burglar and Dynamite Proof Safe, with
no keyhole, spindle or other connection
through the door or walls, nor any
access to the lock from the outside, the
door being screwed in and held secure
by a Double Chromometer Time Lock
from inside. It is considered the strongest
and best security ever devised against
efforts of burglars. The safe is protected
by a large new fireproof vault made
necessary to store the upwards of twenty
years' accumulation of books and papers
of its business, and the whole premises
are further protected by an Electric
alarm system, which gives instant warn-
ing of trespassers at night.

DIRECTORS:
Samuel G. Ives, President.
Thos. Sears, Vice President.
John R. Gates, Cashier and Farmer.
Heman M. Woods, Capitalist.
Frank P. Glazier, Druggist.
Harmon S. Holmes, General Merchant.
Wm. J. Knapp, Hardware Merchant.
Jas. L. Babcock, Capitalist.
Geo. F. Glazier, Cashier.

Drafts drawn payable in gold on
presentation at banks in all the principal cities
of Europe, Asia, Africa, South America
and Australia.

Tickets for passage by the principal
ocean steamship lines; also from all rail-
road points to seaboard in Europe.

Fire insurance and life insurance in the
oldest and strongest companies.

Chelsea Savings Bank.

H. S. HOLMES & CO.

This week we are showing extra values in Black
Silk Mitts at 25, 40 and 50 cents per pair. Black
Silk Gloves, Hosiery, etc.

Underwear Department.

Ladies Jersey Vests 10 cents.
Ladies Jersey Vests 15 cents.
Ladies Jersey Vests 25 cents.
Children's gauze underwear in long and short sleeves.
When in need of underwear visit our store. We always
have all kinds.

Dress Goods Department.

New line of light colors to sell at 50 cents. Black
Gloria silk 50 inches wide at \$1.00. New line of wash goods
including Pineapple tissues. Black check goods. Black
Henrietta finish Sateens, at 12 1/2, 20, 25 and 30 cents,
which are very desirable this season.
Challies, new line just received this week. Our price, 50

Boot and Shoe Department.

New slippers, wigwags, Oxford tennis shoes, etc., just
received.
Our ladies tipped shoe at \$2.00 is a great seller. Others
ask \$2.75 for one not as good. Visit us for any thing in shoes,
our prices always the lowest.

Clothing Department.

New straw hats just received. Never sold so many, never
showed so many as now. Prices 4 off from other dealers
asking price.

Respectfully,

H. S. HOLMES & CO.

Hummel & Whitaker.

Have just received
a full line of
VAPOR
STOVES,
both old and new
process, which
they are selling
at prices to suit
the times.



Also an endless
line of
FARM
IMPLEMENTS
of all descriptions
and of the very
best make.
The celebrated
Bissell Plow is
one of our speci-
alities.

We are agents for the world renowned
Buckeye Binders & Mowers.

These goods are sold upon their merits,
therefore do not require the skill of an
expert to sell them, which en-
ables us to give the farm-
er the benefit of
such Sales.

HUMMEL & WHITAKER.

GROCERIES

We keep on hand a complete line of choice
family groceries, at bottom prices
for good goods.

We have just received a fine line of fresh garden seeds to sell in bulk.
Call and see us.

Yours Respectfully,

GEO. BLAIGH.

Chelsea, Michigan.

WE WILL MOVE!

But if you want anything in the meat
line, don't fail to call on us at the old stand,
as we keep in stock at all times, Fresh Beef,
Veal, Mutton and Pork. Also Smoked Meats
and Sausage. Fish and Oysters in season.

Respectfully,

SMITH & STEPHENS

In Germany more than 130,000 married women work in shops and factories.

During last year 1,600,000 miles of postal service were added to the general system in this country.

Uncle Sam, who reports \$600,000,000 invested in electrical machinery, should neither sit in darkness nor have rheumatism.

Delaware estimates her peach crop at 7,000,000 baskets. The late frosts may decrease the size of the baskets, but the number will remain the same.

It is rather funny that the governments of Europe have spent so much money preparing for war, that not one of them is now able financially to enter upon active hostilities.

Next fall a gentleman fifty-three years of age will enter the class of '24 of Princeton college. During the civil war he was a sophomore at that institution, but left it to fight for his country.

SOMETHING like 200,000 oil wells have been drilled in the United States since the discovery of petroleum, which is at an average cost of \$2,000, which is very low, gives a total expenditure of \$400,000,000.

In the society of the Red Cross a special archeological department is forming, the mission of which will be to prevent the vandalistic destruction of old monuments and works of art in time of war.

QUEEN VICTORIA has signed her willingness to pay Prince Albert's debts, amounting to \$1,500,000. She, however, stipulates that none of the money shall pass through his hands. However, pleasing a gentleman he is, the queen doesn't regard him a good financier.

In a house in Lawrence, Mass., are a number of interesting relics of an old-time Bostonian, with several years' records of the Boston post office. The latter date back to 1823, and show the curious fact that ten letters received in a single day was a good mail, while on some days but one incoming letter was recorded.

The entire production of the precious, semi-precious stones and ornamental minerals in the United States during the year 1889 was \$188,817. Of this amount \$53,175 was agatized and jasperized wood, \$23,675 turquoise stones, and \$14,000 quartz. Diamonds to the value of \$1,006,710 were cut during the year in the lapidary works in New York and Massachusetts.

An American girl in Paris, writing to a friend in this country, says: "We generally managed to make our French understood enough to order what we wanted. But the rub came when papa wanted some mustard. We asked for it in French, Italian and Spanish, but all to no purpose till mamma said: 'Mustard, you idiot.' 'Oh, mustard,' said the waiter in utter contempt, 'why didn't you say so before?'"

The internal revenue receipts of the United States for the first nine months of the current fiscal year are greater by \$7,000,000 than for the same time twelve months previously, and considerably in excess of the estimates. If the same rate be kept up to the end of the fiscal year the total receipts of the fiscal year will exceed \$150,000,000 for the first time in two decades. For the year ended with last June the total was \$142,500,000, against \$130,800,000 for 1889.

The greatest diving feat ever achieved was in moving the cargo of the ship Cape Horn, wrecked off the coast of South America, when a diver named Hooper made seven descents to a depth of two hundred and one feet, and at one time remained under water forty-two minutes. Siebe states the greatest depth to which a man has ever descended to be two hundred and four feet, equivalent to a pressure of eighty-eight and one-half pounds per square inch.

KEELEY, the motor man, explains the latest cause of delay, as follows: "I am making a sympathetic harness for the polar terrestrial force—first, by exciting the sympathetic-concordant force that exists in the corporeal interstitial domain, which is concordant to it; and, second, after the concordance is established, by negating the third, sixth and ninth of this concordance, thereby inducing high velocities with great power by intermittent negation, as associated with the dominant thirds."

An interesting incident in connection with President Harrison's visit to Atlanta was his meeting with Mr. George Cook, an elderly gentleman and a well-known piano manufacturer of Boston. The grandfather of Mr. Cook was the Capt. Cook who saved the life of Gen. William Henry Harrison from the Indians at the battle of Tippecanoe. Mr. Cook and Mrs. Cook had been spending a few days with Gov. Bullock, and on invitation of Mayor Humphreys went up the road to meet the president. The meeting of the two gray-haired grandsons was very cordial, and they enjoyed a pleasant chat.

It is not surprising to find that a man of such kind impulses as Bishop-elect Brooks should become the victim of misplaced benevolence. While walking up Beacon street in Boston one evening he was attracted to a boy who was trying in vain to pull the door-bell of a house. Advancing to the door, Dr. Brooks seized the bell-knob. Theurchin, whose eyes followed the movement of the "big man," retreated meekly to the bottom of the steps. Giving the bell a vigorous pull, the eminent divine turned to the urchin, who shouted: "Now scoot! or I am leaving him to make his escape as best he could."

Mrs. JOHN B. GORAN, whose death was announced recently, was the second wife of the great temperance apostle. They were married at Worcester November 24, 1843. She was a woman of strong New England character. In his early struggles it was her faith and struggles that held Mr. Gough up, and in later years her constant care and wisely devotion had much to do with his ability to perform his work. In the town of Boylston, the home of the family for the last thirty or more years, Mrs. Gough was held in the highest esteem. In the church and social life of the town she wielded a great influence.

Epitome of the Week.

INTERESTING NEWS COMPILATION.

FROM WASHINGTON.

DURING April the broadcast exports were \$12,373,327, against \$15,543,012 in April, 1890.

CORRO exports from the United States during April aggregated 417,171 bales, valued at \$20,500,977, against 312,122 bales, valued at \$10,624,838, in April, 1890.

A DECISION by Attorney General Miller says that foreign exhibitors at the world's fair at Chicago can bring skilled laborers to set up and operate machinery or exhibits.

The statistician of the department of agriculture shows in his report an increase since April of last year of more than 100 per cent. in the price of corn and oats, and 30 per cent. and more in wheat.

The total value of the exports of domestic mineral oils from the United States during the month of April was \$8,898,329. The value of beet and hog exports for April was \$9,229,741.

After twenty-three years of life the Evening Critic, of Washington, has suspended.

The business failures in the United States during the seven days ended on the 15th numbered 237 against 242 the preceding week and 212 for the corresponding week last year.

A WRIT of error has been issued by Justice Brewer, of the United States supreme court, in the Nebraska contested governorship case.

It was estimated by the internal revenue department that the amount of whisky manufactured in the United States during the present year will be 120,000,000 gallons, being 5,000,000 gallons more than was produced in the United States in any previous year of its history.

The design for the new two-dollar certificate prepared to prevent a repetition in counterfeiting the old has been approved by Secretary Foster. The vignette of the late Secretary Windom adorns the center of the note.

PRESIDENT HARRISON and his party, who left Washington April 13, reached home again at 5:30 p. m. on the 15th. The party traveled over 10,000 miles and the president delivered 140 speeches during the tour.

THE EAST.

HURST fires were raging along the Alleghenies in Pennsylvania at Huntington, Warren, Bradford and Mechanicburg, and great damage had been done.

The firm of Levy Bros. & Co., one of the largest wholesale clothing houses in New York, failed for \$800,000.

At the age of 74 years Rev. Dr. J. D. Wickham, Yale's oldest living graduate, died at his home in Manchester, Vt. He was a member of the class of 1815.

Fire destroyed the steamers George Roberts, Eagle and Twilight at Pittsburgh.

A PETITION has been prepared by the New York Union League club to be circulated among citizens throughout the country, regardless of party affiliations, asking congress to pass laws that will protect this country from the tide of undesirable European immigrants.

FLAMES in the old "Sailors' exchange" building in New York caused a loss of \$100,000.

The American Bible society celebrated its seventy-fifth anniversary at New York.

It was believed that over 100 persons had perished in forest fires in the vicinity of Austin, Pa.

The firm of A. Levy & Bros., wholesale dealers in boys' clothing in New York, has failed for \$800,000.

In session at Philadelphia the supreme council of Catholic Knights of America favored exclusion from membership of persons addicted to ardent spirits.

The wholesale drug firm of MacKown, Bower, Ellis & Co., in Philadelphia, has failed. The house was established in 1740.

By an explosion of gas in a sewer in a street in New York six men were probably fatally burned.

WEST AND SOUTH.

A FARMER named Thomas Saunders, of Le Mars, Ia., shot his mother-in-law, Mary Leister, and then put a bullet in his own brain. Domestic trouble was the cause.

In the lumber region in northern Michigan forest fires have mown a fiery swath through the heart of three counties, and besides inflicting immense damage to property have probably destroyed human life in many places. The villages of Otis, Fields, Park City, Lilley, Clinton and Walkerville have been wiped out of existence. In each case the destruction of the homes of the inhabitants was accompanied by heavy loss to the lumber firms having sawmills at the places named.

ONE THOUSAND negroes left Hannibal, Mo., for Montana and Washington. At Wellston, O., Jake Seel was arrested for the murder of John Cary. The crime was committed ten years ago.

Fire destroyed the plant of the Eagle Refining Company at Lima, O., causing a loss of \$100,000.

The arrest of Richard Trumbull, a member of the Chilean congress, was made at San Francisco for violation of the neutrality laws, but later was liberated on \$15,000 bond.

A non toxic Anthony Green (colored) from jail at Centerville, Md., and hanged him. He had been convicted of assault on a white woman.

By the explosion of a boiler on a tug boat near Cairo, Ill., Dick Sleason, James Lawrence and John Arnold were blown into the water and drowned.

At Huntington, Ind., Francis Murphy has closed a two weeks' series of temperance meetings and over 1,700 signed the pledge.

A BOILER explosion in a sawmill at Wilkeson station, W. Va., killing three men and a boy.

Within five years child labor in the cigar factories of Cincinnati has decreased wages 50 per cent., and the children in the factories outnumber adults two to one.

The twentieth national conference of charities and corrections convened at Indianapolis, Ind., on the 18th.

On the 18th the 100th anniversary of the establishment of the capital of the state of South Carolina at Columbia was celebrated.

The Order of Railway Conductors in convention at St. Louis decided to join the Federation of Railway Employees.

Blue marble and building sand stone of fine quality was discovered by ex-United States Treasurer Huston on his farm near Connorsville, Ind.

In the Okanogan country, Washington, over 100 Indians have died of the grip.

LEFT DESOLATE.

A Vast Area Burned Over in Michigan—Six Flourishing Hamlets Wiped Out of Existence—Probable Loss of Human Life—Forest Fires Elsewhere.

Big Rapids, Mich., May 18.—The forest fires raging through the lumber region surrounding this town have mown a fiery swath through the heart of three counties, and besides inflicting immense damage to property have probably destroyed human life in many places. Whole towns have been completely wiped out of existence and others are threatened. The fire continues to roll over the immense forests, and from this town it appears that the whole country is in a blaze. Families are fleeing for their lives from the lumber settlements after vainly attempting to make a successful battle against the furious flames.

The town of Otis burned Sunday. It was a lumber village of 250 inhabitants and the buildings were cheap wooden shanties. When the fire reached them they were dry from a long period of warm weather and they flashed up like gunpowder. Then Fields, another pine town, fell before the fire. In neither town were the people able to save anything. They fled southward with their little possessions and are now cared for in the towns which have so far escaped the flames.

Lilley, in Newaygo county, on the Big Rapids branch of the Chicago & West Michigan road, was also swept from the face of the earth. Clinton, in Clare county, is also lost, and so is Walkerville, in Oceana county. Alma, in Gratiot county; Scottville, in Cass; and Free Soil, in Mason county, are also threatened.

The list of towns so far known to have been destroyed is as follows:

TOWNS.	COUNTY.	POPULATION.
Otis	Newaygo county	250
Lilley	Newaygo county	250
Clinton	Clare county	250
Walkerville	Oceana county	100

In each case the destruction of the homes of the inhabitants was accompanied by heavy loss to the lumber firms having sawmills at the places named. The firms burned out are H. H. Hawley, L. T. Kinney, Ploverman & Tibbels, J. J. Williams, at Fields; T. D. Hyde & Co., Wayne & Pierce and A. S. Pringle at Clinton's; and Bachelor & Co. at Bachelor's station. The loss to these firms on buildings and machinery amounts to over \$100,000. In addition to this an amount not easily to be reckoned has been lost in the destruction of the forests.

At present there is little hope that the fire can soon be staid, and the entire lumber district of four or five counties lies at its mercy. There has been little rain this season and the country is in the same condition it was when it was devastated in 1871. The forests are as dry as a kiln. There was a two hours' rain Sunday night, but it only settled the flames for a little while, and they are again roaring as fiercely as ever. Great fears prevail that many lives will be lost before the progress of the fires can be interrupted.

There is no authentic report of loss of life in the section thus far, though there are many rumors. One of these has it that the corpse of a man supposed to be a tramp was found in a strip of hemlock in Lake county. The body was said to have been pinned by a falling tree, but the man's name or the neighborhood of his death place could not be learned from the railroad man who had the story. The people from the burned villages named had plenty of time to escape. They took what little they could carry and fled, but that is not much in a lumberman's family. None of them are suffering from want. The lumber companies and the people in the saved towns have done everything necessary for them.

While the fire is burning estimates of the loss in detail will be hard to get. A lumber dealer of this town put the damage through the state to standing timber and dressed wood at more than \$2,000,000 thus far, and the assertion was ventured that it would double that sum if unchecked. In the places visited the loss is figured in detail as follows: Newaygo county, \$100,000; Mead county, \$50,000; Lake county, \$75,000; Oceana county, \$50,000; Oceana county, \$80,000; total for five counties, \$255,000. This is the estimate of a man who has spent a great many years in this section, and it is conservative. If it is nearly accurate and the counties in which most of the good pine have been taken out are damaged over a quarter of a million, the loss of the up-per tiers where there are vast areas of unbroken forest waiting the ax will far exceed \$2,000,000.

WILLIAMSPORT, Pa., May 14.—Forest fires have completely wiped out the town of Middlebury and a number of buildings in the town of Gaines, have been burned.

THE KENTUCKY DERBY.

It is won by Kingman in the Slow Time of 2:53 1/2.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., May 14.—The seventeenth Kentucky derby was run Wednesday afternoon at Churchill Downs in the presence of 25,000 people. There were four starters, as follows: Kingman, Hart Wallace, Balgovan and High Tariff. Isaac Murphy rode Kingman, and sent the horse in a winner by an open length. Balgovan was second, High Tariff third and Hart Wallace last. The time was 2:53 1/2. The distance was the regular derby route—1 1/4 miles—and Kingman carried 120 pounds.

A Coal Panic.

MASON CITY, Ia., May 14.—The strike among the coal miners of the state is beginning to assume a very serious aspect. The northwest will be the first to suffer, and already telegrams are coming in from western towns asking to have their orders filled with any kind of coal, but the wholesale dealers are unable to do so. But one mine is in operation in the state, that at Oskaloosa, and altogether 10,850 men have gone out on strike. Coal can be secured from only one point in Illinois. The supply of coal for manufacturing purposes cannot last over a week longer.

FURIOUS SWITCHMEN.

The Supreme Council Refused to Sustain the Locked Out Northwestern Employees—The Trainmen Are Charged with Conspiring with the Railway Officials to Work the Downfall of Their Brethren.

CHICAGO, May 18.—After a session which lasted from 11 o'clock Saturday morning until 9 o'clock Saturday night the supreme council of the United Order of Railway Employees decided to disavow the grievance of the Switchmen's Mutual Aid association against the Chicago & Northwestern Railroad Company.

It was brought out during the discussion that the Brotherhood of Trainmen had determined to support McNerny, who was a member of their organization, and it was shown that meetings had been held between the officials of the Brotherhood of Trainmen and Firemen and the officers of the railway company to concoct measures to get rid of the switchmen. A scheme was devised and agreed to by the chief officials of the firemen and trainmen that the Chicago & Northwestern Railroad Company should discharge all the switchmen on account of some grievance, and then the trainmen and firemen could take their places temporarily. This agreement was made in writing and signed by representatives of the two organizations with the full connivance of the chief executives of these organizations.

These charges made by the switchmen were, however, unheeded, and it was ruled that the trainmen were not on trial before the council, but that what they had met to discuss was a grievance to the switchmen. A vote was eventually ordered to be taken on the question of approving or disapproving of the switchmen's grievance. The firemen, only having two representatives present, were not entitled to vote, and this left the settlement of the question to the conductors, switchmen and trainmen. By the rules of the council a grievance to be approved must have the unanimous vote of the organization, and if one vote is cast against it the grievance is disapproved. The conductors and switchmen, or a total of six, voted in favor of approving the grievance, and the trainmen, three in number, voted to disapprove. In consequence the switchmen lost their case and the action of the road was sustained.

A resolution was then introduced that all the trainmen now in the service of the Northwestern road and filling the switchmen's places would withdraw and make way for those switchmen who had been discharged. This was carried by a vote of 6 to 3, and then Grand Master Wilkinson, of the trainmen, got up and refused to abide by the order, defying the council to make him do so. W. A. Sheehan, one of the secretaries of the trainmen, and the grand secretary of the W. A. Sheehan, also refused to send out any such order to his men.

The resolution was withdrawn and another resolution was offered which allowed McNerny to be retained in his present position, but providing for the return of the discharged switchmen to their old places. This was also opposed most vehemently by the trainmen and ultimately it was withdrawn.

A resolution censuring those officials connected with the United Order of Railway Employees who had conspired with the Northwestern railway against a kindred organization was attempted to be introduced, but after some discussion it was laid aside and no further definite action was taken.

Judging from present indications there will be no further trouble between the Chicago & Northwestern railway and the discharged switchmen, nor is there any likelihood of any disturbance occurring on other roads. The grand lodge of the Switchmen's Mutual Aid association met Sunday and discussed the action of the supreme council of the United Order of Railway Employees on Saturday. The course pursued by the representatives of the trainmen and President Sargent was unanimously condemned.

The switchmen recognized the utility of contending against a powerful railroad corporation backed by the engineers, firemen and trainmen and made up their minds to surrender gracefully, but to carry on a fight which was certain to end in defeat.

Acting under the advice of the officers the switchmen will endeavor to obtain their old situations, and from the opinions expressed by General Manager Whitman and other officials of the road it is probable that 80 per cent. of the men will be back at work within the next few days.

SURPASSED THE RECORD.

Six Hundred Cases Disposed of at the Present Term of the Supreme Bench.

WASHINGTON, May 18.—The United States supreme court will meet on Monday, May 25, to announce decisions, when it will adjourn until the October term. The court has made very rapid progress with the work during this term and with the decisions from today will have surpassed the record. There already have been 558 cases disposed of at this term in various ways. There probably will be enough more disposed of on the 25th to bring the aggregate for this term to 600. The highest number disposed of in any one term prior to this was last year, when the number was 471. Before that the highest number which had ever been reached was in 1884, when 470 cases were disposed of.

Murdered by Thieves.

CHICAGO, May 18.—Saturday night, just before closing time, Joseph Riedel, a butcher doing business at 2923 Hickory street, sat down in his chair and fell asleep. Three men entered and grabbed the sleeping man, trying to take him by his pocket a roll of bills which he was supposed to carry. He awoke and fought his assailants so vigorously that one drew a revolver and shot him in the head. He died in a few minutes. The murderers escaped. Three men have been arrested, but their identification is doubtful. The murderers got no money.

Two Thousand People Homeless.

SANTA FE, N. M., May 18.—Sherriff Luna, of Valencia county, reports 2,000 people homeless in his county on the east bank of the Rio Grande, opposite Los Lunas, the county seat of the county. Their houses and crops have been destroyed by the flood in the Rio Grande. The river is now slowly falling.

Deputies Charged with Murder.

GREENSBORO, Pa., May 18.—The grand jury in the case of J. A. Loar and his deputies, charged with murder at the Morewood riot, returned true bills against all except Steve Cairns.

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MICHIGAN STATE NEWS.

Health in Michigan.
Reports to the state board of health by city health officers in different parts of the state for the week ended May 11 indicated that inflammation of the brain, cerebro spinal meningitis, typhoid fever and pneumonia increased, diphtheria and scarlet fever and cholera morbus decreased in area of prevalence. Diphtheria was reported at nineteen places, scarlet fever at thirty-one, typhoid fever at six and cholera morbus at four places.

Information Wanted.
All ex-prisoners of war in the state of Michigan are requested to send name, rank, company and regiment, when and where captured, where confined, when and where released and post office address to the secretary, who desires to place their names on record before the national encampment. Those desiring to join the association can do so by sending twenty-five cents or postal note to the secretary, John L. Perrinton, Mich.

A Brewery Burned.
Fire broke out in the roof of Eberle's brewery, located about a mile south of the center of Jackson, and before the fire department could get there the flames had spread to every part of the building, and, with the exception of a new brick addition, the plant was destroyed. The loss would reach about \$15,000; insurance, \$10,500.

Death of a Pioneer.
William G. Boswell, one of the pioneers of Menominee, died recently, aged 73 years. He was the first miller in the district and for years carried the stage line from Green Bay, Wis., to Copper Harbor. He had always been a prominent figure in upper peninsula politics and was more than fairly well to do.

Short but Nervous Items.
Thomas Dorgan, of Kalamazoo, was drowned while trout-fishing near that city.

A. C. Bowman, a citizen of Petoskey, was fatally crushed between two freight cars at that point.

Frank Schollera, a Chicago man, was held in \$1,000 bonds to the circuit court at Kalamazoo for passing a forged check.

A new find of gold in the Ropes mine, upper peninsula, assays at the rate of \$11 per ton.

A plow that was lost in the Cheboygan river by the upsetting of a canoe more than forty years ago was fished up the other day.

The Calumet and Hecla directors have declared a dividend of five dollars per share, payable June 18.

Fire damaged Zander & Walters paper and oil store at Kalamazoo to the extent of \$3,000.

Gov. Winans has appointed Norman W. Haire, of Ontonagon, judge of the newly created Thirty-second judicial circuit.

The Henry C. Russell mattress factory at Grand Rapids was burned with a loss of \$6,000.

The copper country reports a terrific electric storm of two days' duration, which was very disastrous to property.

The burns of the Grand Rapids Street Railway Company burned the other morning. Loss, \$5,500 on buildings and \$40,000 on contents.

Jonathan Joyce, of Meredith, lost 3,000,000 feet of lumber by forest fires.

Manistee is to have a steamboat line to Chicago.

Peter Early hanged himself in the shed near his house in Milan. He leaves a widow and two children unprotected.

Thomas Cranage, of Bay City, has been chosen president of the new Michigan sail association.

About 3,000,000 whitefish have been planted at Sand Beach by the state fish commission.

Over fifty tons of coal are taken out of the Sebawing mines weekly. Coal has been manufactured there with success.

The 6-year-old son of Clark Rawson, living near Hersey, was accidentally run over by a wagon load of lumber and instantly killed.

The Plymouth air gun factories are turning out 2,000 infernal machines every day.

George M. Miller, of Grand Rapids, lost a pocketbook with \$410 in it fifteen days ago. It was found the other day in the bottom of a hay bay in the Walker hotel barn, exactly as it was lost.

L. L. Bair's dwelling, barns and greenhouses at Big Rapids was burned. Loss, \$1,500; insured for \$1,000.

Dr. Darius N. Frazier, of Manistee, who was charged with killing a child by giving it an overdose of morphine, was acquitted.

A lot of local capitalists at Hastings have bought out the shoe factory in that town and have a \$600,000 capitalization, of which one-half is paid in.

Mrs. Jennie Tupper, a handsome girl of Chicago, formerly of Flint, was fatally burned by a gasoline explosion.

George Fallerton, of Alma, was killed by a tree falling on him in the woods near that place.

People in the fruit belt county claim that the high wind which accompanied the cold snap saved the peaches and other fruits from the frost.

The state organization of the Red Cross society held its annual meeting in Lansing and elected P. M. Lemple, of Kalamazoo, commander.

S. W. Mousk's elevator at Mount Morris was burned. The loss was about \$1,500 with no insurance. The building had been used as a storehouse for hay.

The Holly Milling Company have begun the erection of a \$5,000,000 bushel elevator. This company furnishes employment to fifty men all the year round.

Physicians who have conducted the physical examination of the candidates for appointments to cadetships throughout the state recently say that a majority of rejections was due to accelerated and abnormal action of the heart, as the result of cigarette smoking.

Mrs. D. B. Witbeck, of Kalamazoo, has sued the Michigan Central Railway Company for \$30,000 damages for the death of her husband, killed last December by one of the company's trains.

Fire in lumber on Ducey Lumber Company's dock at North Muskegon burned 600,000 feet of lumber belonging to S. R. Howell, of Chicago. Loss, \$7,000.

Four Michigan boys will be graduated from West Point military academy this year. They are Cadets Winans, son of Gov. Winans; Upton, of Big Rapids; Fleming, of Port Huron; and Berthel, of Kent county.

MICHIGAN LEGISLATURE.

SENATE.
LANSING, Mich., May 13.—The senate yesterday by a unanimous vote passed the bill increasing the specific tax on palaces, clubs and sleeping car companies and fast freight lines from 3% to 6 per cent. of their gross receipts on the business done exclusively in Michigan, and requiring them to file an annual statement of their earnings with the railroad commissioners. The bill has already passed the house. The bill providing for a uniform bounty of \$100 for every Michigan soldier or sailor who volunteers or is drafted, was referred to the committee on state affairs and judiciary jointly. A bill annexing 4,000 acres to the territory of Detroit was passed.

LANSING, Mich., May 14.—The bill granting municipal suffrage to women was for the second time defeated in the senate yesterday by a vote of 15 to 14.

LANSING, Mich., May 15.—The senate yesterday passed a bill providing that all arrears of state bonds due soldiers under a recent decision of the supreme court shall be paid at once. The amount due under this decision will foot up about \$100,000. The house bill granting new county of Dickinson in upper peninsula was reported.

LANSING, Mich., May 16.—No business of importance was transacted in the senate yesterday. Adjourned to Monday.

LANSING, Mich., May 17.—The house passed bills yesterday reducing the legal rate of interest to 6 per cent., and prohibiting the importation of Pinkerton men to do police duty in Michigan.

LANSING, Mich., May 18.—Representative Doyle's local option bill for the protection of fish in the inland waters of the state was defeated in the house yesterday. Mr. Richardson's bill increasing the specific tax on gross earnings of railroads was passed by a vote of 81 to 10.

LANSING, Mich., May 19.—The house yesterday passed the bill appropriating \$20,000 for the expenses of the national G. A. R. encampment in Detroit next summer. The committee of the whole agreed to the bill for the protection of game after amending it so that deer may be killed on the upper peninsula only. Wild turkeys may be killed from November 1 to December 15, woodcock from August 15 to December 15, wild duck, wild geese and other water fowl and snipe from September 1 to December 15.

LANSING, Mich., May 19.—The house yesterday passed the general game bill, which is a substitute for all the bills that have been introduced this session under that head and provides for the killing of game as follows: The opening season for deer in the lower peninsula is November 10 to December 1 inclusive; in the upper peninsula the entire month of September; wild turkeys, November 1 to December 15; woodcock, August 15 to Dec. 15; ducks, wild geese, snipe, or other wild water fowl, September 1 to December 15, but the open season for snipe, redhead, bluebird, canvas back, piggeon and mallard ducks and wild ducks and geese, to continue until May 1 of the year following. Partridge, October 15 to December 15, except in upper peninsula September 1 to January 1; quail, November 1 to December 15. The senate bill abolishing the state forestry commission was favorably reported.

SHOULD BE RESTRICTED.

New York's Union League Club to Petition Congress for Laws to Stem the Tide of Undesirable Immigration.

NEW YORK, May 14.—A committee of the Union League club have prepared the form of a petition to be circulated among citizens throughout the country, regardless of party affiliations, asking congress to pass laws that will protect this country from the tide of undesirable European immigrants.

New laws, it is declared, are needed although there are laws on the statute books which should be enforced as they are intended to be. The committee, after further reviewing the situation, append the following petition for circulation among all parties throughout the United States:

"TO THE HONORABLE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES: Your petitioners, citizens of the United States, native and naturalized, respectfully represent: That it is alleged and generally known and as we are convinced can be proved, that for several years past gross frauds have been perpetrated upon the naturalization of persons not entitled to citizenship by law, upon evidence manifestly insufficient and false, and by the careless, corrupt and wicked use of power by the state courts and their officers in relation to the administration of the existing laws regulating the naturalization of aliens. Every good citizen should abhor such acts as monstrous crimes against the safety of a nation and the liberty of a free people. We believe that the existing laws upon the subject of naturalization are inadequate to prevent the repetition of such crimes, and we suggest the enactment of a general law to be made more certain, stringent and efficient, to embody the following and other necessary provisions. We respectfully ask your honorable body to enact a law or laws:

"1. Which shall restrict the power to the federal courts of conferring citizenship of the United States.
"2. Which shall require a longer residence in the United States, by all persons desiring to become citizens, than is now prescribed by law, and also provide that all applications be made in the handwriting of the applicant, who must be able to speak, read and write the English language.
"3. Which shall authorize any citizen to appear in open court in order, in good faith, to contest the right of any applicant to a certificate of naturalization, or to set aside any such certificate improperly granted.
"4. Which shall authorize any court having jurisdiction to declare null and void any certificate or order of naturalization made in fraud or in violation of existing laws."

METHODIST CONFERENCES.

Dates for Various Meetings Fixed by the House of Bishops.

GREENCASTLE, Ind., May 14.—The board of bishops of the Methodist Episcopal church closed its labors yesterday. It appointed the time for holding conferences in all parts of the country. In Indiana, Iowa and Illinois the conferences, cities, dates and bishops are as follows:

Illinois—Norwegian and Danish, Chicago, September 9; Merrill, Chicago German, Chicago, September 9; Newman, Northwest Swedish, Chicago, September 9; Vincent, Central Illinois, Moline, September 9; Joyce, Southern Illinois, Mount Vernon, September 23; Rock River, Joliet, September 23; Nide, Bloomington, September 16; Warren, Indiana—Indiana conference, Washington, September 16; Joyce, northwest Indiana, South Bend, September 30; Nide, southeast Indiana, Aurora, September 23; Foster.
Iowa—Iowa conference, Muscatine, September 2; Foss, Des Moines, Des Moines, September 16; Foss, northwest Iowa, Fort Dodge, September 16; Nide, upper Iowa, Davenport, September 16; Vincent.
Michigan—Michigan conference, Grand Rapids, May 9; Newman.

FUNNY LITTLE FOLKS.

PEDAGOGUE—"Can you give me a sentence illustrating the difference between mind and matter?" Tommy—"Yes, sir! When I don't mind, pretty soon they's suthin' th' matter."

TEACHER—"Tommy, can you give me a sentence in which but is a conjunction?" Tommy—"See the goat butt the boy. But is a conjunction and connects the boy with the goat."

BROOKLYN Eagle.
A LITTLE girl born on the 26th of February said to her mother: "Mamma, if I had been a year older and there hadn't been any 26th of February in that year, wouldn't I have been born at all?"

MAMMA—"You naughty girl! You've eaten every cookie there was on the plate. I told you you might have three." Little Edith—"Yes; but didn't tell me which three, so I had to eat all to be sure to get the right ones."

A KIND-HEARTED lady found a youngster crying on the street. "What's the matter, bubby?" she asked. And bubby answered: "How would you like to wear your long-legged brother's pants cut down, so the bag of the knees came out at your ankles?"

MUSKEGON'S MISFORTUNE.

Flames Sweep Away Fourteen Blocks of Fine Business Houses and Elegant Residences in the Michigan City, Causing a Loss of Over \$600,000.

MUSKEGON, Mich., May 18.—Fourteen blocks in the heart of this city, including much of the best business and residence property, covering from thirty-five to forty acres of ground, a fire which ceased only because nothing remained in its path. Stores, residences and public buildings were swept away like chaff, and when at last the conflagration ended, property valued at over half a million dollars had vanished and hundreds of people were homeless. A strong wind was blowing and the flames spread with such appalling rapidity that many people barely escaped with their lives. Citizens whose houses were not destroyed promptly came to the relief of the unfortunate, and all found shelter.

Fire started at 6:30 o'clock in the Lankawell hotel bars, just off Pine street, from some unknown cause, and, aided by a strong wind, swept away ten blocks up Pine street, one of the chief business streets of the city. Then, by a sudden shift in the wind, the flames were driven toward Terrace avenue, one of the finest residence streets in the city, where they destroyed many houses. By 9 o'clock fire had reached the southern district of the city, where there was more space between the houses, and the firemen succeeded in considerably reducing the progress of the flames. As the high buildings burned there was great danger from flying firebrands and the firemen were obliged to continually shift their positions. The Grand Rapids engines were put to work as soon as they arrived.

The total number of dwellings burned was 275. The total loss is \$625,000. The total insurance is about \$275,000. Many of the burned places have no insurance. Hundreds of families are thrust upon their friends for accommodations.

Pine street business houses for ten blocks were entirely wiped out. Among the more valuable structures were the Pine Street house, the Philabourne block, Eckerman's drug store, Matthew Wilson's residence, Sedgwick's wholesale store, McMichael's shoe store, the Lankawell hotel. The residences of S. F. Juthwaite, I. A. Miller, Peter P. Steketee, Alex. Van Zanten, Mr. Fleming, James Hutchinson, Dr. Van Derlaan, R. Mueller, J. R. Brown, Justice Williams, Reynolds, Danforth & Behren's planing mill and the German Evangelical church were destroyed. Judge Dickerson lost nearly his entire law library in the courthouse. Britton Bros. lost their machine shop and half a dozen houses. There was no insurance on them. Frequent reports from exploding boilers were heard. Dynamite was used in some instances to remove buildings.

Other streets which suffered severely were Terrace, East Concord, East Hartford, East Diana, East Delaware, East Ionia, West Ionia, Apple and Spring streets, and East Muskegon and East Webster avenues.

The \$60,000 courthouse burned. Prisoners in the county jail, which occupied the basement of the courthouse, were liberated. Several cows and horses were burned. A large portion of the dwellings burned were owned by mechanics, upon whom the loss will fall with special weight. They were generally all insured for about one-half the value of their houses after the fire was first discovered in the blacksmith shop on Pine street between two whole squares had been swept clean by a very hurricane. The first house of any pretensions to be a residence of a wealthy lumberman. His residence cost about \$40,000 and was elegantly furnished. Carvers had just completed \$8,000 worth of work on the interior. The splendid furnishings, carpets, tapestries, statuary, etc., were thrown pell mell into the drays, and the costly bric-a-brac was buried beneath the debris of the burning of the humble people.

The courthouse will be immediately rebuilt. All the books of record in the vaults and the probate records are that they are safe. Building will commence this morning and it is believed that within six months almost all the houses will be replaced. The Morning News has opened a subscription fund, which has already grown to goodly proportions. The fire was under control at 1 o'clock. A number of business men who were uninsured are penniless, but will start again with assistance already offered. The fire is the most destructive known in northern Michigan since 1871, when the same territory in this city was burned over and the city of Peshtigo was destroyed, shortly after the burning of Chicago.

Among the sad incidents connected with the fire was the death of Harry Stevens, assistant postmaster, the son of Postmaster Stevens. He was very ill with pneumonia, and the flames made it necessary to remove him to a place of safety, and he died while being carried through the streets.

(Muskegon is situated on the Muskegon river about 4 miles from Lake Michigan and about 120 miles by water northeast of Chicago. It contains eleven churches, two national banks, several factories, machine shops, numerous steam saw, planing and other mills. Lumber is its chief article of export, and about 600,000,000 feet are sawed there annually. Several lumber merchants in this city are interested in the industry and many steamers and sailing vessels ply between there and Chicago. The city has a population of 15,000.)

Disbanded the Company.
LANSING, Mich., May 18.—Gov. Winans has disposed of the Ann Arbor military row by issuing an order disbarring Company A of the First regiment, the organization which played a star part in the fracas in which young Dennison, of Toledo, a university student, was killed.

Jealousy Causes a Murder.
BOSTON, May 18.—Frank Nelson, a seaman, killed Lena Johnson, Friday night in a sailor's boarding house, by stabbing her with a sheath knife. Jealousy was the cause. Nelson is under arrest.

Failed for \$100,000.
ST. LOUIS, May 18.—The Milburn Manufacturing Company, wagon and carriage manufacturers, whose street car and cash avenue, have made an assignment to Charles A. Mayfair for the benefit of their creditors. Liabilities, \$100,000; assets, \$150,000.

Half a Million for Wisconsin.
WASHINGTON, May 18.—The treasury department on Saturday paid to the state of Wisconsin \$441,361, being its share of the direct tax, minus \$5,301, which was withheld on account of a balance due the government for arms furnished the state.

HOME AGAIN.

President Harrison's Journey Has Ended—During His Tour He Has Traveled 10,000 Miles and Made 140 Speeches.

DENVER, Col., May 13.—President Harrison's party was greeted on its arrival here Tuesday morning by an enthusiastic crowd and after he had reviewed the G. A. R. and the Colorado pioneers they were banqueted at the Metropolitan hotel. The president's carriage was drawn by six gray horses. An ovation was given the president as he passed the high school building by the school children, who were massed in front of the building. The street was literally covered with flowers strewn by the children. After the banquet the procession was again formed and moved to Lincoln avenue and Broadway, where the president spoke.

OMAHA, Neb., May 14.—Nowhere has the president received a heartier or more enthusiastic welcome than was accorded him by the citizens of Omaha. The people turned out en masse in honor of the occasion and they cheered the president nearly the entire time of his appearance in the city in public.

The visitors were met at the station by a large committee of citizens, headed by Mayor Cushing and the city council and taken to the courthouse stand. Mayor Cushing welcomed the president, and the latter in response made an address which was frequently interrupted by cheering. Addresses were also made by Postmaster General Wananaker and Secretary Rusak.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., May 15.—Thousands of visitors from neighboring towns helped the people of Springfield to welcome the president on Thursday. On the arrival of the train here a presidential salute was fired by state troops. The distinguished guests in an alighting, were conducted to carriages, and the president was escorted through the principal streets to the Lincoln monument. Mayor Lawrence presided. Gov. Fifer delivered the address of welcome. The president graciously acknowledged the complimentary greetings tendered him by the citizens of Springfield and vicinity. This, he said, was properly the culmination of his tour. In the presence of the tomb of Lincoln he was inspired, and in adverting to the martyred president he paid an eloquent tribute to his memory.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., May 15.—President Harrison entered his own state shortly after 3 o'clock Thursday afternoon, and fifteen minutes later, at Montezuma, he was surrounded by friends who had come down from Indianapolis to welcome him home. The Indianapolis contingent was composed of committees from every political society and business organization in that city.

At Montezuma the president spoke briefly. At Rochdale the president received another welcome. The train arrived at Indianapolis at 4:45 o'clock. Booming of cannon and shrieking of whistles announced the approach of their distinguished townsman to the Indianapolis people. In response to addresses of welcome by Gov. Hovey and Mayor Sullivan the president made a speech.

After speeches by Postmaster General Wananaker and Secretary Rusak the president and party entered carriages and were escorted by military and other organizations through the principal streets and back to the station. At 5:30 a parting cheer burst from the concourse and the president's brief visit to his old home was over.

WASHINGTON, May 10.—The president and party arrived in Washington at 5:30 o'clock Friday evening, exactly on schedule time. When the train was nearing the national capital, and the journey was almost at an end, the president summoned to the observation car every person who had accompanied him on the trip, including the ladies and all the employees of the railroad and the Pullman Car Company and made them a short address. He said he found that he had made just 189 speeches since that he had made the 14th of April last, and he thought this a good occasion to make the number a round 140. He then referred to the unprecedented excellence and perfection of the railroad service throughout the entire trip, and said that the fact that they had been able to travel over 10,000 miles of territory in a splendidly equipped train without an accident or mishap of any kind and without one minute's variation from the prearranged schedule must always be regarded as a most remarkable achievement.

The president gave all the employees a substantial token of his appreciation of their attentions. The postmaster general, the secretary of agriculture and the other gentlemen of the party also remembered the employees in the same way. The arrival in Washington was unmarked by any demonstration beyond the presence at the station of a small knot of officials and several hundred travelers. The president's grandchildren were at the station, and his first greeting was to them. The company broke up in a few minutes, and the president and his family proceeded to the white house. The president stood the trip better than any one else, notwithstanding the greater labor performed by him, and there is nothing whatever in his appearance to indicate that he has been subjected to any unusual strain.

THE HOME INTERESTS.

CANDLES that have been frozen never drip.

Use soap bark for cleaning woolen dress goods.

The best butter in the world naturally can be badly injured by the use of very poor salt.

The best thing to clean tinware is common soda; rub on briskly with a damp cloth, after which wipe dry.

The best way of preserving silver ornaments is to wrap them in silver paper and lay them in a tin box filled with sawdust—dry arrowroot, not of course mixed with water.

By applying a little of the best carriage oil varnish carefully with a camel's hair brush to the edges of broken china, the parts being neatly joined together, the fracture will, when thoroughly dry, be hardly perceptible, and the china will stand fire and water.

To keep glassware bright, wipe directly from the hot dishes. Tumblers used for milk should be thoroughly rinsed in cold water before being immersed in hot dishes, as hot water seems to drive the milk into the glass and give them a dingy appearance.

Summer Tourists.

Take the Chicago, St. Paul & Kansas City Railway, the scenic route to all points of interest in the scenic Northwest and the Puget Sound region. Connects with transcontinental trains for all resorts dear to the hearts of pleasure seekers. F. H. Loom, General Passenger and Ticket Agent, Phoenix Building, Chicago, Ill.

"To the victor belongs the spoils," said the gallery god who was heaving eggs at the tragedian.—Washington Post.

Don't flatter yourself that it can't get away just because you have boiled your food at sea.—Elmira Gazette.

Harsh purgative remedies are fast giving way to the gentle action and mild effects of Carter's Little Liver Pills. If you try them, they will certainly please you.

The most polite man we know of is one who never permits himself to look over his own shoulder.—Boston Transcript.

The young fellow in his mad struggle with an incipient mustache raises a terrible fuss.—Washington Star.

For any case of nervousness, sleeplessness, weak stomach, indigestion, dyspepsia, relief is sure in Carter's Little Liver Pills.

When a woman wants to drive anything out of the house she "shoots" it. A man usually boots it.—Yonkers Statesman.

Visitors to the Zoo should not attempt to make light of the tapir.—Pittsburgh Chronicle.

The holder of a straight flush generally carries things with a high hand.—Boston Courier.

Ladies who possess the finest complexion are patrons of Glenn's Sulphur Soap. Hill's Hair and Whisker Dye, Etc.

The only thing that a miser ever loses is his appetite—the cost of a meal scares it away.—Texas Sifting.

In the matter of "laying out" the undertaker isn't "in it" with the tramp.—Boston Courier.

The best cough medicine is Piso's Cure for Consumption. Sold everywhere. 25c.

There's a patent medicine which is not a patent medicine—paradoxical as that may sound. It's a discovery! the golden discovery of medical science! It's the medicine for you—tired, run-down, exhausted, nerve-wasted men and women; for you sufferers from diseases of skin or scalp, liver or lungs—it's chance is with every one, it's season always, because it aims to purify the fountain of life—the blood—upon which all such diseases depend.

The medicine is Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery.

The makers of it have enough confidence in it to sell it on trial.

That is—you can get it from your druggist, and if it doesn't do what it's claimed to do, you can get your money back, every cent of it.

That's what its makers call taking the risk of their words.

Tiny, little, sugar-coated granules, are what Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets are. The best Liver Pills ever invented; active, yet mild in operation; cure sick and bilious headaches. One a dose.

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