



CHAPTER V. DISASTER!

"What will Raymond think?—what will Raymond say?"

That was the burden of anxious Edna Deane's heart, as the carriage that conveyed her from her school life to a new and unknown existence sped across the country.

Opposite to her sat her grim companion, motionless, erect, forbidding. Respect without severity had attended his every movement since leaving Hope-dale, but he persisted in that weird, oppressive silence that chilled, almost alarmed the warm, childish heart of Edna.

She had comforted herself with the resolve to write to Marshall as soon as she reached her new home, and had then ventured to address her somber companion.

"Won't you please tell me something about my father—the place I am going to?" she spoke in accents of tremulous pleading.

The man hesitated. Then, with evident reluctance, he said:

"You are going to your father—the father who loves you, who will make your life one of joy, wealth, and happiness."

"But, why all this mystery?"

His brow clouded. "He will tell you. Believe me, it is for the best. He has been under a cloud for years; his life has been nearly wrecked by the wickedness of others. Go to him with a free, fearless heart, willing to forget all the world save him, and add something of joy to his last days."

Edna chilled at the gruesome hint that the words contained. Forget all the world save her father? Did that include Raymond?

What could the dark mystery be? Her companion's lips were sealed on the theme after they had reached the train. He provided her with every comfort in the drawing-room section secured for her, and left her to her thoughts, telling her that they would not leave the train until after daylight. Then a swift spin across the country, confused sleep, and morning, struggling in the embrace of a blinding snow-storm, the cars passing through a bleak, unfamiliar section.

Toward evening they alighted at a little village. It was still snowing; and, leaving her in the cheerless depot, her companion went to the stores about the place, returning with a frowning, anxious face.

"I am sorry," he said; "but can you stand a short walk in the storm?"

"I am not afraid of the storm; I rather enjoy it," responded Edna, cheerily. "Are we near—home?"

"Yes; that is, we cross two miles to another railroad. Then a brief ride, and your journey is ended. I cannot obtain a single vehicle to drive us over, and the train is due in two hours."

They started forth. Edna was brave and disdainful of the snow at first, but clogged footsteps, an occasional deep drift and blinding flakes soon made her breath come quicker, and her companion was compelled to aid her with the help of his arm.

They had got past the limits of the town now. Edna shuddered at the cheerlessness of the twilight-darkening landscape.

"We have not got far to go now," encouraged her companion. "This must be the bridge we cross. Courage, my child! Only half a mile more, and—"

"Oh! come back! come back! Look! That sign!"

Edna, following in the footsteps of her guide, who now went in advance to clear a path for her more dainty feet, had noticed the dashing torrent of water below the frail bridge spanning it, and, half-obscured by the snow, a rudely painted sign nailed to one of the bridge supports.

"What is it?" spoke her guide, half-way across the bridge.

"There is a sign. 'Danger! Mercy!'"

A wild, frantic scream completed the sentence. Appalled, Edna Deane shrank back at a spectacle that froze her heart with terror.

At her very word, her companion, taking a step to one side, disappeared. The warning of danger had come too late. Through some snow-covered hole in the unstable bridge structure he went.

Splash! With strained eyes the agonized girl saw his body strike the foaming water torrent.

There was a cry for help, she saw his white face appear once, twice, in the turbulent flood, and then the mighty stream dashed on, leaving her alone, unprotected, in the weird arms of the storm and the night.

Alone, sick at heart, hopeless, she continued to stare vaguely at the circling eddies that had engulfed her one protector in the world.

Alone on that dreary landscape, Edna Deane realized that she was penniless, homeless, hundreds of miles from friends, and the mystery of her life a mystery still.

CHAPTER VI. LOST

"Hear that—look there!"

One of two men bound villagewards uttered the words in a startled, excited gasp, just as the unfortunate man who had been Edna Deane's companion and guide gave expression to his cry for aid.

They had just passed the somber-faced man and his girlish companion struggling through the snow, and, supposing they were bent down the river shore instead of across the unsafe bridge, had passed on without uttering a warning.

Now coming to the river path beyond a clump of trees, that wild cry had reached the ears of the younger of the twain.

"Help! help!" Looking quickly back and down the stream, he caught a glimpse of a form struggling in the wild waters of the torrent.

"They were strangers!" he ejaculated. "The bridge! They've tried to cross it, and have fallen through!"

It took them ten minutes fully to retrace their steps, running around the bluff timber stretch. They reached the bridge. Horror-eyed, appalled, they stared blankly at the trodden snow and the gaping hole, through which the darkling waters showed twenty feet below.

"He went down—I saw him in the water," muttered one of the men.

"But the other?"

"What other?"

"The girl."

"Ah, yes! I forgot. There was a girl with him. Jem, they're gone! Man and woman both, sure as fate!"

They glanced far down the river banks. They even lined the stream for some distance, but found no trace of the supposed victims of a terrible mistake.

Thus it was that rumor, speculation and horror were rife at the little railroad settlement that evening, when the two men returned thither and told their tragic story.

This man remembered seeing the two arrive on the late afternoon train—that one described the gaunt, solemn-faced stranger seeking a conveyance to take them across country. A party was made up to make search for some trace of the bodies of the unfortunates, but, after lining the bleak shores of the river for hours, they returned bootless from their task at midnight, the swirling waters and increasing storm bidding fair to sweep away or cover up forevermore the identity of the man and the girl who had seemingly met death at the bridge.

As the reader knows, Edna Deane's guide alone had sunk through the broken plank, Edna herself, frozen with horror, had remained for a moment chilled to helplessness by the sudden disaster. Then, frantic with terror, vaguely hoping to reach some habitation and summon its denizens to attempt the rescue of her guide, she dashed blindly from the scene.

Through the heavy snow she ran, the darkening landscape showing a distant light. Towards it she bent her steps, lost it as a cove intervened, struggled on again, crossed a gully, reached a rise in the ground, and then leaned against a tree, panting for breath, and staring wild-eyed and alarmed all about her.

Her bedraggled dress, soaked shoes, chilled frame and anguished heart drove every sense to vivid suffering. With a moan of distress she realized that her companion was past earthly help, that the river had swept him away. The instinct of self-preservation, the fright of the moment dulled her memory of that terrible scene at the bridge; for utter loneliness and desolation spread before her; not a habitation, human being or light showed. She might have been a thousand miles from civilization for all its evidences that existed in her immediate proximity.

"Oh! where shall I go—which way shall I turn? I am lost!"

Her tones were hollow, the utterance despairing, affrighted. Nurtured amid delicate care, scarcely clothed to endure the rigors of such exposure, she felt that her strength and her will were fast deserting her.

She tried to summon all her fortitude and calmness. She decided that the town they had left an hour previous must lie beyond a level waste bounded on its farther edge with a ridge of trees and bushes. In that direction she started.

Knee-deep in a drift, swaying like a reed in the wind, she wavered, fairly in the center of the vast meadow.

Snow was all about her—earth and air seemed full of it. It dazzled her vision, it penetrated sleeve and hood, it choked and blinded her.

A fearful night, truly! The noise of the rising tempest rang out like the waves of angry sea. The storm had flapped out the baleful light of moon and stars. In the strength of a mighty glee, the wind raved and roared, sweeping the drifting snow about her like a shroud.

"I—can—go—no—further!"

With a moan that was a prayer, the delicate girl sank down. Her strength had given out completely. The snow came thicker, the winds blew faster, the ghastly white stretch before her began to be flecked with fire, as her overstrained nerves drove the fever-blood from heart to brain.

"Oh! the rest—the quiet!" she murmured, as she closed her eyes in that fatal delight which cold and exhaustion bring, to lure the deluded victim to the last long sleep. "Raymond—Beatrice—father! good-night—good-night!"

A rare, ecstatic smile stole over her face. The suffering of life was merging into the delirium of dreamland. She had lain down to die—so young, so fair, so little realizing how near death grazed her bonny heart!

"Oh! let me rest; I am so weary!"

A rough contact, a blast of warm breath sweeping her face roused the benumbed girl to look up. Then, with a frantic scream, she

struggled to her feet and stood tremblingly staring at an intruder, the shock happily dissipating the lethargy that benumbed her senses, and bringing her a realization anew of the perils that menaced her.

The hideous form that her uncertain vision had exaggerated into some terrible creation of her fancy, brushed close against her, its rough head swept her hands and face, thrilling them to a sense of feeling with the animal warmth of its rough caress.

A great homely faced horse, lost or strayed from home, like a puzzled wanderer over the black expanse, seeking shelter, the animal had saved her life.

"I was going to sleep!" panted Edna, with an affrighted shudder. "Oh! I must struggle on, for Raymond's sake. Heaven help and guide me, I cannot die here alone!"

She grasped the horse's mane as the animal neighed uneasily. Clinging to it she walked—was dragged along. The patient horse plodded forward. They reached a road. Minutes seemed an hour. Edna was conscious of relaxing her hold on her dumb guide from sheer weakness, of sinking helpless to the ground.

Was that a light shining near—gratefully near? She tried to cry out, but her utterance seemed choked and hollow, and its faint echo died in her own throat.

Surely, there was a house before her!—an open shed, too, beneath which the horse stood panting, but safe from the storm.

If she would only drag herself there! But it was not to be. Exhausted nature could endure no more.

She closed her eyes with a moan of utter weariness and despair. Again her senses glided into that fatal dreamland of unreality. The snow seemed destined to finish a dark night's work by burying Edna Deane and the mystery of her fair young life beneath its mantle alike.

Ghostly fell the snow!

Fiercer rose the wild winds, more weird became the clogged, misshapen landscape; darker grew the night. The dainty form was outlined, first in a royal robe of ermine, then a little mound showed, then a greater one, and then—only a bleak, level expanse—the wanderer completely obliterated, as if a part of the great spreading meadow itself.

And ghostly fell the snow!

CHAPTER VII. TOO LATE!

Raymond Marshall had swept from the presence of Beatrice Mercer with the joy of a man suddenly snatched from the darkest depths of grief and despair.

In a flash had come a full realization of the true status of affairs. He had been grossly deceived—his bright, bonny Edna was not faithless! The letters he had received were forgeries, and the pitiful Beatrice Mercer, inspired by love and jealousy, had wrought all the misery so happily averted by his accidental discovery of her duplicity.

"I will find her if I search the world over!" he had avowed ardently, buoyant, exultant in his faith regained and the power of a love able to battle the most subtle foe.

What did this girl know? Evidently everything there was to know. With subtle craftiness she had woven her soft wiles about the innocent and trustful Edna, until the latter had made of her a bosom friend—an exclusive confidante. She had tacitly acknowledged to Marshall that she knew where Edna had gone, but boldly, angrily, she had refused to tell him what he wished to know. Fully comprehending the girl's resolute nature, Marshall gloomily decided that if she alone held the fate of his ever again meeting his loved and lost one that event would never transpire.

Wrought up to a maddening pitch of frenzy by the uncertainty and suspense of the hour, as well as by a sense of deep wrong and injustice, one evening Raymond Marshall went straight to the seminary.

"Beatrice Mercer shall tell me all she knows," he uttered fiercely. "I will plead, I will frighten her, but her secret shall be mine!"

The crowning surprise and disaster alike of the culminating troubles of the hour was announced at the very portals of the seminary.

"Miss Mercer was gone! Blankly and dolefully Miss Chandler imparted the bewildering information.

Gone? When—where? Beatrice Mercer, poor, friendless, dependent entirely on Miss Chandler's bounty and the meager means that her position as sub-teacher awarded her, gone? Abandoning a position which seemed to be a life-lease for her?

Yes, she had made the sudden announcement that morning. Thoroughly amazing her friends, she had packed up, demanding her salary, and had left without a word of explanation concerning either her motives in resigning her position or her future intentions. To the dumfounded and suspenseful Raymond Marshall this seemed the last and most cruel blow of fate. His final reliance was swept away. He felt assured that Beatrice Mercer knew of the whereabouts of Edna. Now, she, too, had disappeared—there was not a clue in sight!

Would she join Edna in her new home, and by forgery and misrepresentation wreck her faith in her lover, and work out her plots of jealousy and revenge?

Oppressed by this torturing thought, Raymond Marshall left Hope-dale that night on a blind, hopeless quest for some trace of the woman he loved and the woman he dreaded.

Too late! The woman whose cruel hand was twisting his heart-strings with torture, because in her wild, erratic way she loved him, had twenty-four hours' start in a plot so subtle and bold that his spirit would have quailed had he even so much as guessed its sinister motives!

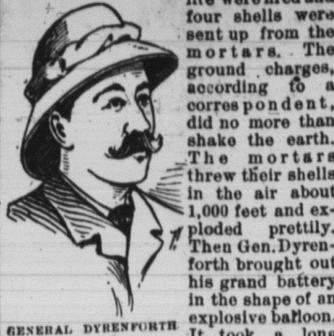
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HE: "Can you keep a secret?" SHE: "Yes, but I don't want to. What's the good of having a secret that you can't tell?"

DIDN'T BRING RAIN.

Texas Clouds Refuse to Weep at the Command of Dyrenforth.

In the rain-making experiment at San Antonio, Tex., several charges of rosellite were fired and four shells were sent up from the mortars.



GENERAL DYRENFORTH

The ground charges, according to a correspondent, did no more than shake the earth. The mortars threw their shells in the air about 1,000 feet and exploded prettily. Then Gen. Dyrenforth brought out his grand battery in the shape of an explosive balloon.

It took a long while to fill it with the necessary ingredients. The balloons used in these experiments are made of paper covered with a light cotton netting. There is danger in filling these dreadful things and even greater in letting them go, for the slightest mishap or carelessness would send everybody to kingdom come.

Explosion of the Balloon.

It was nearly dark when the balloon went up, but its ascent and explosion was a pretty sight. The hundreds of eyes watching it all at once saw a blinding flash on the heavens and then came a profound silence for six or seven seconds, then a shock which shook the ground. The balloon had exploded right beneath a fleecy cloud. The cloud kept on its way calmly and serenely, but, as Prof. Ellis said, the cloud was 18,000 feet high, and as the explosion occurred only 4,000 feet nearer, the cloud might have been excused for its inattention.

The following day it was fully 8 o'clock before the fusillade finally opened. The sky was greatly overcast in the morning, but everybody said it was not a rain cloud and the General might go ahead. The breeze was southerly and blowing about ten miles an hour. About 3 o'clock Messrs. Dickenson and King, with the president of the San Antonio Board of Trade, waited upon General Dyrenforth and somewhat sharply said that there was no use waiting for further favorable conditions. They wanted the test made at once, and wanted it kept up till some result was obtained.

The General waived his military gauntlet in the direction of a battery to the westward which opened with a series of detonations of five and ten pound charges of rosellite. Then on the crest of the ridge could be seen other puffs of smoke until nearly a semicircle of explosions had been seen and noted. Then Dr. Rosell opened his mortar battery from the brow of the hill near Dyrenforth's headquarters and a dozen or more shells were sent up a thousand feet and exploded. These shells contained three pounds of rosellite. While the firing was going on Professor Ellis prepared another gaseous balloon. It was the same as was sent up the day before, but to the relief of the crowd had a longer fuse, for it did not explode until it was a mile in the air. When it did go there was a vivid flash, a puff of smoke visible for an instant, and then a wait of eight seconds for the shock.

No Effect on the Clouds.

It was terrific. Horses and buggies were changed about and all nature seemed convulsed, but again the fleecy clouds against which the balloon had been sent sailed majestically along, seemingly indifferent. The first bombardment was kept up until midnight, when the first battery of 3,000 of rosellite was exhausted. The fusillade will be resumed and continued without intermission for twenty-four hours. This will conclude the first series of experiments.

FOR A NATIONAL QUARANTINE.

Recommendations to Be Made by Surgeon General Wyman.

Surgeon General Wyman, of the Marine Hospital service, in whose hands have been placed all the measures for suppression of cholera, said that his annual report to the Secretary of the Treasury would strongly recommend that the matter of quarantines be placed under national control. He will suggest that there be established either a national quarantine or a Bureau of Health, whose duties will be specifically confined to meeting just such emergencies as have been presented by the recent cholera scare.

The report will follow closely the recommendation of the Quarantine Committee, made up of leading physicians of the country, appointed last fall at the meeting of the National Medical Congress. These gentlemen have visited the various ports of entry from Maine to New Orleans, and they say the quarantine system at New Orleans is the one which should be adopted as a national measure. It provides for a thorough fumigation, and is so effective that New Orleans has not seen yellow fever in seven years, whereas the city used to have a visit every summer prior to the establishment of this system.

Soldiers Crushed to Death.

Additional advices per steamship China state that a traveler arriving at Foochow reports that a gale, accompanied by a waterspout, swept down from the mountains, swamping the country in the neighborhood of Changchow, the water in some places standing ten feet deep. The Confucian temple and the temple of the City God were both submerged, the walls of the latter collapsing, burying eighty soldiers. In the Nan-Hsien district the people also suffered much.

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FRIDAY, CHELSEA, DEC. 9, 1892.

PUBLISHER'S NOTICE.

If this notice is marked with a pencil it shows that the person to whom this paper is addressed is in arrears, and we would esteem it a favor if he, or she, would call and settle, as we are in need of every cent that we can scrape to gether.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

The M.E. Sunday school now sports an orchestra.

Zoe BeGole has been very ill with pneumonia the past week.

John M. Birchard, who has been dangerously ill, is recovering.

Born, Monday, Dec. 5th, 1892, to Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Kaercher, a son.

LaFayette Grange will meet at the home of E. Keyes, Friday, December 16th.

The C. L. S. C. will meet with Mrs. H. S. Holmes, Monday evening, December 12th.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Cummings are now at home in the J. K. Yocum house on Summit street.

A theatre party, from Lima of over thirty, have reserved seats for Guy Bros' Minstrels, on Saturday night.

L. D. Loomis and family have removed their household goods to Jackson and will make their home in that city hereafter.

Arthur Armstrong entertained a number of his young friends, Monday afternoon, the occasion being the sixth anniversary of his birth.

Mrs. Jas. Smith and children wish to extend thanks to all those who assisted them during the illness and death of the husband and father.

Mrs. Wm. Remnand, while stepping from a door at her home, Saturday evening, slipped, and fell, breaking two ribs, and otherwise bruising herself.

If you want to save money, subscribe for your reading matter through the STANDARD Subscription Agency, in the basement of the Turnbull & Wilkinson block.

Three tramps were arrested at this place Friday evening last for breaking into a house at Dexter and carrying away a suit of clothes. One of the rascals was inside the suit when arrested.

Next week will usher in an era of cheap prices at the Town Hall. The Labadie Co. playing. General admission 25c. Gallery 15. Reserved seats without extra charge at Cummings.

A. R. Welch has been just finished one of the finest ice boats that has been built in this part of the world. The weather that we have been having for the past few days has been very discouraging to him, as he has been unable to try the boat.

Our merchants are opening up some of the finest stocks of holiday goods ever shown in Chelsea. Keep your eyes on the STANDARD advertising columns, and bear in mind that you can buy to as good advantage from its advertisers as anywhere in the county.

Jay Gould, the sixty-millionaire, left not one cent for the charitable institutions of his home city, nor to any one outside of his family. The most of the press comments about this most intensely selfish man have not been such as would tend to soothe the feelings of his relatives.

The market has changed very little since last week. Wheat continues at 68c for red or white and the receipts this week would have been large, but for the break up in the going. It will come forward freely even at these prices as soon as the going will permit. Barley is dull at \$1.15, oats 34c, rye 49c, beans \$1.40, clover \$6.50. Dressed pork \$6.25, chickens 7c, turkeys 10c, hogs on foot 5c, fat sheep 4c per pound, eggs 20c, butter 20c. Business is lively now and will be till after the holidays when a dull time will follow.

PERSONAL.

Ed. Vogel spent Tuesday in Detroit. J. L. Gilbert spent Thursday in Lansing.

H. S. Holmes was in Jackson Friday last.

J. P. Wood was in Lansing the first of the week.

Elmer Hammond, of Pontiac, was a Chelsea visitor, Friday last.

Miss Matie Conlan, of Ann Arbor, is the guest of Miss Tressa Conlan.

G. W. Turnbull was in Ann Arbor the first of the week on business.

Nate Howe and George Staffan spent Sunday with friends at Pinckney.

Austin Yocum, of Manchester, spent Sunday with his parents at this place.

Mrs. D. Reed, of Adrian, has been spending the past week with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Sparks spent Sunday with Mr. Spark's parents in Leoni.

Mrs. J. H. Hollis, of Manchester, is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. L. T. Freeman.

Miss Nellie Maroney, who has been spending several months in Leslie, has returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Copeland, of Dexter, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Holmes.

Mrs. G. E. Hathway, of Ann Arbor, was the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Martin, Saturday last.

Misses Frances and Maggie McCall spent the latter part of last week with friends in Stockbridge and Waterloo.

AMUSEMENTS.

Those people, who were disappointed in not seeing the comet, can see the stars next Monday evening in Labadie's Combination.

The Chelsea Dramatic Club will produce the drama "Comrades" at Grass Lake, Friday evening next, and at Dexter Saturday evening following.

The Frolic of the Holidays, given by the Y. P. S. C. E., at the Town Hall Wednesday and Thursday evenings of this week was a very pretty entertainment and was rendered in an excellent manner. Notwithstanding the bad weather, good sized audiences were present.

A great number of the first families of Chelsea have concluded to change their dinner hour to-morrow (Saturday), from 12 to 2 o'clock so as to be able to take in the superb street parade of Guy Bros. Elite Minstrels, Marine Band and Drum Corps. This will be well worth coming in from the country to see.

The Labadie Combination Co., consisting of ten people, under the management of Herbert Labadie, hold forth the first three nights of next week at the Town Hall, in modern comedy plays, at popular prices. General admission down stairs 25 cents, gallery 15 cents. Specialties will be introduced in most of the plays produced.

The pleasing little play, comrades, which was produced at the Town Hall, Friday and Saturday of last week, by the Chelsea Dramatic Club, for the benefit of the Maccabees, drew good houses in spite of unpropitious weather, the strong comedy element caught on immensely with the audience, and there was not a moment in the entire two hours that dragged, as in general common in amateur performances. The benefit will net the Maccabees the sum of \$30.

Tomorrow (Saturday), night Chelsea has at the Town Hall the oldest Minstrel Co. on the road, George Guy, sr., having been in the minstrel business for forty years and George and Willie Guy have been before the public for thirty years, having played with the original Christy Minstrels, Kelly & Leon's and Hooley's Minstrels. They were the first artists to introduce boy and girl songs and dances. This combination caught on immensely when here last year and this year they have many new and laughable features. They are conceded to be the best Minstrel Co. that comes in to Michigan this season.

ed her bonny heart!
Oh! let me rest; I am so weary!"
rough contact, a blast of warm
th sweeping her face roused the
umbed girl to look up.
hen, with a frantic scream, she tel

CHURCH CORNER.

A second sermon to young men on "Success" will be given at the Methodist church next Sunday evening.

The Christian Endeavorers of Iowa gave \$3,500 to missions last year and an equal sum to their own church.

Sickness has detained some of the faithful workers of the Cong'l church at home the past few Sabbaths. We miss them, and hope for their speedy recovery.

The League and their friends will give a Musical in their rooms in the Methodist church, next Friday evening, December 16th. All are invited.

The Workers social of the Cong'l church was held last week at the home of Mrs. H. S. Holmes. A goodly number were present and all enjoyed themselves.

The Cong'l church was favored Sunday morning by the presence of two newly married couples. It is to be hoped that everybody felt the importance of the occasion.

The Baptist Sunday school has taken a new departure in their Christmas entertainment, this year, each pupil giving presents instead of receiving them, teaching that it is more blessed to give than to receive.

"Precept freezes, while example warms. Precept addresses us while example lays hold on us. Precept is a marble statue, example glows with life, a thing of flesh and blood.—Hon. Wm. E. Gladstone.

There will be no preaching services at the Congregational church next Dec. 11th, as the pastor Rev. O. C. Bailey unavoidably will be out of town. Sunday School and Young People's meeting will be held as usual.

It is said that in Abyssinia, the illustrated editions of the Bible all have the original man as a matter of fact, ebony-hued, while the devil is always white. It is doubtless from this Abyssinian white devil that we get our white lies.

It is said that "Floating Societies" of C. E. are to be found among the crews on board the City of Paris, City of New York, Umbria, Wyoming, and other steamers. This certainly is encouraging news to all Christian Endeavorers.

The C. E. prayer-meeting last Sunday eve. was the monthly consecration meeting. There was a full attendance. John Brighton led. A new feature, in place of a collection, a tin box has been hung at the door to receive the silver of benevolently disposed attendants at meeting.

The Baptist Mission Band met with Miss Laura Lane Tuesday afternoon. The program, (the subject, Indian, and mission work among them) was enjoyed by all. Ample justice was done to the well spread tea table and the social hour after combined to make a very pleasant occasion.

SCHOOL NOTES

George Gorman has returned to school.

After a prolonged absence the senator is seen in our midst.

Act 14 of the Realistic Love Drama will be given next week.

New pictures are adorning the walls of the High School room.

Miss Ruth Loomis called at the High School Tuesday noon.

Miss Annie Bacon was detained from school this week, on account of illness.

It has been suggested that some new methods for holding doors open be adopted.

It has been suggested that the board furnish an alarm clock for the High School.

Sir Sydney has been shorn of his curls which were envied by every girl in the room.

The pupils of the High School are inspired and honored this week by the presence of Christopher Columbus.

The Advanced German class are expecting the pleasure of having an examination Friday. The sympathy of the the school is with them.

The first meeting of the Senior class was called Tuesday afternoon at four o'clock, on November 29, 1892, in High School room. The following officers were elected:

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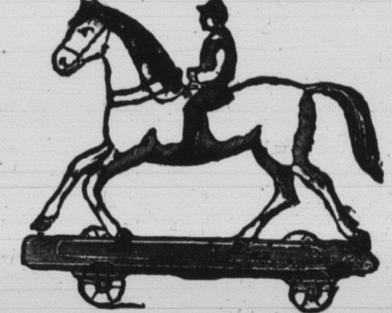
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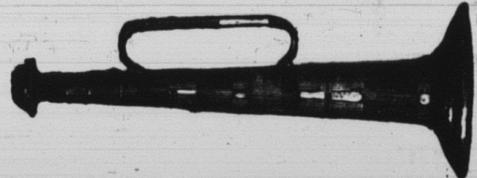
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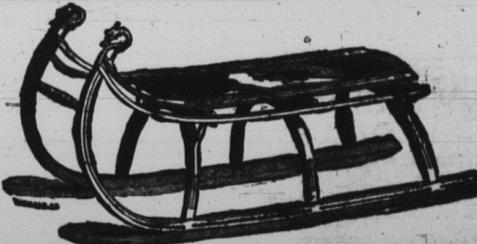
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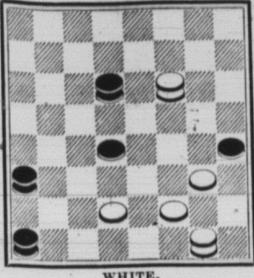


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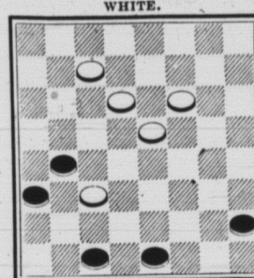
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By P. M. Henkle, Eau Clair, Mich.
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Problem No. 10.
By Geo. D. Sherrow, Checker Editor
Pittsburg Life.



BLACK.
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The above was composed especially for the STANDARD.

Advertised Letters.

The following is the list of letters remaining unclaimed in the postoffice December 5, 1892.

Geo. L. Crawford; Herman Smith; Mrs. W. H. Damon; Dan Youngs, Sylvan; Miss Bessie McGraw, drop letter.
Wm. JUDSON, P. M.

Waterloo

Special Correspondence.
Miss Sarah Heydlauff is still quite ill.

Horace Leek intends to build a large hog and tool house in the spring.

Harmon Marsh sr. has left town for a twenty days' vacation and his son Harmon is carrying the mail. Quiet reigns supreme.

Wm. and Engene McIntee are drawing logs to the saw mills. They intend to do some building in the spring.

Miss Amanda Rummel has come home to spend the winter with her parents. She spent the past year with her sister in Detroit.

The practice of killing off the old horses instead of keeping through the winter, though not commended by all, is probably a great deal more humane then to keep them in a half starving condition.

North Lake.

Special Correspondence.
H. V. Watts is nursing a boil, over his eye.

Mr. Parshall, of Ann Arbor visited at H. M. Tuamley's a part of last week.

Quarterly meeting services were held at the M. E. church here last Sunday.

P. E. Noah, the best carpenter on G. C. Reade's barn, has the work nearly completed.

Geo. Webb is drawing poplar wood to the pulp mill at Hudson for which he gets \$4 per cord.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Glenn spent Thursday and Friday of last week with Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wainwright. of Iosco.

Election of officers of the Lyceum resulted as follows:

Pres. E. J. Whalian, Vice-Pres. P. W. Watts, Sec. Miss Matie Glenn, Treas. S. L. Leatch.

Probate Order.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, COUNTY OF WASH- tenaw, ss. At a session of the Probate Court for the County of Washtenaw, holden at the Probate Office in the city of Ann Arbor, on Tuesday, the 22d day of November, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety two.

Present, J. Willard Babbitt, Judge of Probate. In the matter of estate of William Donner deceased.

On reading and filing the petition, duly verified, of William P. Donner, praying that ad- ministration of said estate may be granted to Thomas Wilkinson or some other suitable per- son.

Thereupon it is ordered, that Monday, the 19th day of December next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, be assigned for the hearing of said petition, and that the heirs at law of said deceased, and all other persons interested in said estate, are required to appear at a session of said court, then to be holden at the Probate Office, in the city of Ann Arbor, and show cause if any there be why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted. And it is further or- dered, that said petitioner give notice to the per- sons interested in said estate, of the pendency of said petition, and order to be published in causing a copy of this order to be published in The Chelsea Standard a newspaper printed and circulated in the said county three suc- cessive weeks previous to said day of hear- ing.

J. WILLARD BABBITT, Judge of Probate. [A TRUE COPY]

Wm. G. Dorr, Probate Register.

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THE POSTAL SERVICE.

RATHBONE SUBMITS INTERESTING FIGURES.

Alabama Militia Both Useful and Ornamental—Jay Gould Thought to Be Dying—Alabama Oil Mills Close—To Secure Better Roads.

The Postoffice Department.

The annual report of Fourth Assistant Postmaster General Rathbone shows that the number of establishments of new postoffices during the past year was 4,105, a greater number than during any previous year with the exception of 1890, when it was 4,197. The net increase of postoffices over the year ended June 30, 1897, was 2,790, and the year closed with 67,119 as the whole number of postoffices in the United States. Of the number referred to above, over one-fourth were made in the six States of Arkansas, Texas, Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia and North Carolina, the number in these States aggregating 1,118. The greatest increase in any State was in Georgia, where it was 220. Texas was next with 211. Pennsylvania followed with 201 establishments. At the close of the fiscal year there were thirteen States in each of which there were more than 2,000 postoffices in operation. Of these five are Northern and eight Southern States. The Northern States are New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Illinois, and Indiana, with an aggregate of 16,288 offices. The eight Southern States are Alabama, Georgia, Kentucky, Missouri, North Carolina, Tennessee, Texas and Virginia, with an aggregate of 19,905. The greatest number in any one State was 4,812 in Pennsylvania, 3,565 in New York, and 3,229 in Ohio. These are the only States where the number of offices was more than 3,000.

Gould Passing Away.

JAY GOULD is dying, and he knows it. At this writing he has lain in his New York mansion unconscious for hours, with intervals of intelligence, and his attending physicians will not state that he is likely to live until the dawn of another day. When reason is with him the great financier talks calmly, and his language shows that he has been expecting this crisis and has prepared for it. The greatest financier of America is engaged in the greatest battle of his life, but he has no earthly foe in opposition. His malady is nervous prostration, accompanied by a severe bilious attack and hemorrhages of the stomach.

Good Roads Work.

MEMBERS of the General Board of the National League for Good Roads met in Philadelphia to consider what plans should be adopted for furthering the movement at this session of Congress. Members of the board are in favor of seeking a national charter, and also of pushing a measure passed by the Senate last July which created a national highway commission for the purpose of preparing an exhibit of the various processes of roadmaking for the World's Fair. This bill was pigeon-holed in the House on the ground that it was an invasion of State's rights.

Gov. Jones Inaugurated.

GOV. ELECT JONES, of Alabama, was inaugurated before the joint session of the House and Senate. The oath of office was administered by Chief Justice Stone. The Governor then delivered his inaugural address. There had been some fear of trouble from the Kolbits, but the Adjutant General ordered out two detachments of the local battery to the Capitol for the ostensible purpose of firing a salute but really to guard against a surprise from the enemy. The members of the battery wore their sidearms and there was some apprehension of a conflict.

City Editor Garvey Killed.

JOHN GARVEY, city editor of the Fort Wayne (Ind.) Daily News, tried to step on a moving engine of the New York, Chicago and St. Louis Railroad, but missed his footing and was instantly killed. The place was on the railroad bridge over St. Mary's River and the young man tried to throw himself out and thus lose only a leg, but one foot slipped down between the tie timbers and held him fast until the engine, which was not moving faster than a man would walk, ground him to pieces.

NEWS NUGGETS.

The gun factory workmen at the Watervliet arsenal are still on strike. Congressman Tracey will present their claims to the War Department.

There is a possibility that the Homestead strike may be declared on again, because so few of the old men have been taken back by the Carnegie Company.

The subcommittee of the Interstate Commerce Committee to investigate the Reading coal combine has concluded its examinations and adjourned to Washington.

The national office of the Amalgamated Association of Iron and Steel Workers has heard nothing of the alleged intention of the Homestead men to renew their strike.

The Huntsville (Ala.) oil mills, employing over eighty hands, have stopped work owing to the high price of cotton seed and the low price of oil. The mills have been running for over ten years.

The College Hotel at Florence, Ala., was destroyed by fire. The building and contents were valued at \$22,000, insured for \$15,000. The College Hotel was the handsomest hotel property in that section.

EASTERN.

At Hazleton, Pa., the fire which was supposed to have been extinguished in the Honeybrook mine last week has broken out afresh.

JAKOB SINSHEIMER, a prosperous hatter, and his wife committed suicide at New York by throwing themselves before an elevated train.

THREE men and two women were burned to death at Middletown, Conn., in a tobacco barn. The victims were a party of umbrella menders.

At Point Breeze, near Philadelphia, a loss of \$200,000 was sustained by the burning of several vessels and a large section of wharf property.

EIGHTY men in the gunshop of the Watervliet Arsenal, West Troy, N. Y., struck against having to attend two lathes. A small force is at work.

FRANK GARVIN, convicted at Pittsburg, Pa., of the killing of his wife three days after marriage, was sentenced to serve nine years in the penitentiary.

HUGH ROSS and Burgess McLuckie, of Homestead, have returned and submitted to arrest on the charges of murder and treason preferred against them for the riots of July 6th.

ROBERT BARBOUR, President of the Barbour Flax Spinning Company, died at Paterson, N. J., of apoplexy. He left a fortune variously estimated from \$5,000,000 to \$10,000,000.

REV. GEORGE J. BRENSINGER, Secretary of the Unique Building and Loan Association, has been committed to jail in Philadelphia in default of \$2,000 bail on the charge of embezzling \$1,000 of the association funds.

"THE BREAKERS," the handsome cottage of Cornelius Vanderbilt, of New York, which was situated on a commanding point at Ocean Point, near Newport, R. I., was completely destroyed by fire. It is estimated that the loss will amount to at least \$300,000.

WESTERN.

A CASE of small-pox has been discovered in Minneapolis at the Nicollet House.

FOUR cracksmen cracked the safe of the First National Bank at Liberty, Mo., and stole \$15,000.

EDWIN H. RYMAL, a traveling salesman from Toledo, Ohio, committed suicide at Kokomo, Ind.

AUGUST ANDREWS, of Chicago, a deserter from the United States army, was captured in Richmond, Ind.

M. C. CURTIS, the embezzling cashier of the American National Bank of Kansas City, has jumped his bail.

BRUCE McGINNIS, of Excelsior Springs, Mo., accidentally shot and killed his younger brother while hunting.

JOHN KELLY and Louis Watkins fought a duel with shotguns at Francisco, Ind. Kelly was fatally wounded.

MRS. SOLOMON LEVY, of Cincinnati, is under arrest charged with attempting to burn the sixty people who lived in her tenement house.

BERT M. HALL, of Columbus, Ohio, is under arrest at Boston, Mass., charged with passing worthless checks. Those already found aggregate \$1,300.

TWO GOVERNMENT snag boats, valued at \$75,000 are in the center of an ice gorge near Yankton, S. D., and it is believed they will be ground to pieces.

AN ENORMOUS panther made its appearance at Hopkins' trading post, in the Cherokee Outlet, and killed an Indian child in the presence of its mother. William Timmons, a trader, started in pursuit of the panther and killed it. The dead animal measured seven feet from nose to tail.

A WILD Big Four engine broke loose Thursday from the yards of Bellefontaine, Ohio, and came tearing through the city at a fearful rate of speed, creating consternation on every hand. When two miles west it collided with the rear of a west-bound freight, completely demolishing the engine and wrecking ten cars.

MISS LOTTIE SHIELDS went to the First National Bank in Omaha, Neb., and calling George M. Winkelmann, one of the bookkeepers, from his desk, coaxed him. Miss Shields is the daughter of one of the oldest Missouri Pacific conductors. She claimed that Winkelmann had been engaged to her for six years, but recently arranged to marry another girl.

AFTER remaining in the rigging for an hour, with the sea breaking over them, the crew of the little schooner Lena Hall, consisting of Capt. Albert Hall and Albert Peterson, were rescued off Milwaukee, but not until they were badly frost-bitten. The two men are at the Emergency Hospital, and the little vessel is going to pieces near the foot of Buffalo street.

H. E. THOMPSON, of Rock Creek, Minn., while in the woods hunting, had his son, 12 years old, with him. Thompson started out early, leaving his boy in the camp asleep and a fire close to the camp. He returned, finding his boy and dog burned to death. It is supposed that the boy was smothered in his sleep, as he was found with a blanket wrapped around him badly burned.

At St. Joseph, Mo., Polk Harvey, father of Robert Harvey, who killed Robert Little last week, circulated a subscription among his friends and raised considerable money with which to employ counsel to defend his son. His success induced him to drink and he assaulted an old soldier named Albert Jinks. The latter drew a knife and stabbed Harvey four times, fatally wounding him.

At St. Joseph, Mo., Stephen C. Woodson, President of the Saxton National Bank; Isaac Curd, a capitalist; James Paton, a contractor; Aid. James Hall; Mrs. Rachel Fleming, society leader;

and John F. Phillips, a hotel-keeper, were all indicted by the Grand Jury on the charge of renting houses to disreputable characters for immoral purposes. All the parties, with the exception of Phillips, are leaders in a social or business way.

MRS. ANNA JOHNSTON, of Logansport, Ind., sister-in-law of J. D. Johnston, proprietor of the Johnston Hotel, filed her complaint in the Circuit Court, attaching money in the hands of the Cincinnati Enquirer's agents and demanding \$20,000 damages for slander. The suit is based on a special sent to the Enquirer from Logansport that a strike at the Johnston House was occasioned by the discharge of one of the servants for incorrect reasons.

An accident that has cost one human life, will probably cost another, and possibly a third, occurred on the Pittsburg, Cincinnati, Chicago, and St. Louis Railway at Jackson's Hill, ten miles from Richmond, Ind., Friday morning. The killed and injured are as follows: Boerman, W. E., of Indianapolis, fireman; instantly killed. Grose, Henry, of Indianapolis, engineer; both legs crushed; will probably die. Hendricks, Harry, of Indianapolis, brakeman; severely and probably fatally scalded.

At New Cumberland, Ohio, the John Porter Fire Brick Company gave notice to their seventy-five miners that their services were no longer needed and to finish their work and get their tools out. The men declare that the order follows the prospective success of the clay-digging machines; that the machines were introduced to punish the men for last fall's strike. The new machines are destined to displace thousands of diggers in more than one line of mining in the three States of Ohio, Pennsylvania, and West Virginia. It is stated that at a comparatively small first cost, when the capacity of the machine is considered, the devices can be built so that one man will do the work of from seventeen to twenty men.

THE condition of affairs on the Milwaukee road owing to the heavy grain deliveries is worse than it has ever been since the road was built. There is a prospect of relief, though. Wheat is piled in the streets of half the villages along the line, and every elevator is full to bursting. Elevator companies have had to stop doing business, as no cars are obtainable to relieve them. There is every probability that the famine on most lines will be soon brought to a close. Since the snow-fall receipts have fallen off one-half, and reports from the elevator companies show that on most of the roads relief will be given almost immediately. At present all elevators on the Northern Pacific, the Great Northern, and the Milwaukee are full, but the two former roads are in a position to get the grain pretty well started within the next week.

SOUTHERN.

THE Church of the Advent, the leading Episcopal church in Birmingham, Ala., was destroyed by fire.

HENRY BLAKE, a colored farmer near Clarksville, Ark., murdered his wife and Joseph Perry and fed their bodies to the hogs.

JAMES STONE and William Blakenhip were arrested near Anniston, Ala., while making counterfeit nickels. Their shop was in a deserted mine.

MISS SOPHRONISBA BRECKINRIDGE, daughter of Congressman W. C. P. Breckinridge, of Kentucky, has been admitted to the bar to practice law.

A FIRE at Caneyville, Ky., destroyed nearly \$30,000 worth of property before the flames were got under control. Harned Bros., general merchants, lost \$18,000.

THE Connor brothers, suspected of the robbery of the express car of an East Tennessee Railway train at Piedmont, Ala., Oct. 31, have been arrested after a flight with rifles and revolvers.

SAMUEL LANCASTER, a brakeman, while intoxicated walked into a saloon at Knoxville, Tenn., Thursday morning and made a wager that he could drink three small beer glasses of whisky. The bet being taken he fulfilled its conditions and sank to the floor and died.

WASHINGTON.

REV. E. S. TODD, pastor of the Hamline M. E. Church at Washington, has brought suit for divorce.

THE Secretary of the Interior has included in his estimates for the next fiscal year the sum of \$166,831,350 for pensions and the maintenance of pension agencies.

DR. SCOTT, the President's father-in-law, died Tuesday at Washington, aged 93. Nov. 19 Dr. Scott was stricken with a cold, accompanied by a low, consuming fever, and continued getting weaker and weaker until Saturday, when he rallied to such an extent that the family were encouraged to believe he might recover. The improvement in his condition, however, was of short duration, and the following evening he had a relapse. The aged individual passed away without a struggle, as quietly and peacefully as a child asleep.

POLITICAL.

DEMOCRATIC candidates for Representatives in the Nebraska Legislature have instituted a contest at Omaha against the successful Republican candidates.

A SPECIAL from Washington says: "Mr. Blaine had another bad attack on Friday evening, and for a time the outcome was much in doubt. Both Dr. Johnstone and Dr. Hyatt were summoned, and after a time succeeded in rallying the patient."

THE Executive Council finished the count of the Massachusetts returns, and found the number of blank ballots in excess of Gov. Russell's plurality. Fol-

lowing is the official count for Governor:

William H. Hale, Republican	183,690
Walcott Hamlin	7,058
Squire E. Putney	378
William E. Russell, Democrat	186,346
Henry Winn	1,977
Blanks	19,166

THE official canvass of the vote of Iowa gives Harrison a plurality over Cleveland of 22,965. Harrison's plurality in 1888 was 31,721.

THERE is going to be a bitter contest over the Governorship of Alabama after all. Kolb has been making all the preparations in his power to oust Governor Jones. Alabama has no law providing for a contest over the election of State officers. The constitution has a mandatory provision for such a law, but it has never been introduced in the House. Upon its passage depends Kolb's chances. Kolb has prepared a very long, type-written statement. In it is incorporated every charge which he could make. In his statement Kolb says that he can prove that he carried the State by 45,000 majority. He claims that in many of the counties the entire contents of the ballot-boxes were removed and strips of newspapers placed in them in place of the ballots. Governor Jones says: "Kolb's charges of fraud are absurd. They have absolutely no foundation and there is not one of them which has not been absolutely disproved."

FOREIGN.

LAST week's cholera record for the whole of Holland shows sixteen deaths.

IT is feared that the schooner Warrior, from Newfoundland to North Sydney, N. S., has been lost, with her captain and crew of five.

THE threatened heavy import tax by the French Government to take effect Jan. 1, 1893, causes great excitement among the petroleum exporters.

IN GENERAL.

R. G. DUN & Co.'s weekly review of trade says:

The announcement that gold would be exported, though not in large amount, has not necessarily as much meaning as many supposed. Foreign exchange does not yet justify exports, and movements not warranted may be due to temporary and trifling influences. The condition of business throughout the country appears excellent, with the volume of trade greater than in any previous year.

THE paper mills of C. S. Garrett & Sons, at Beaver Dam, Pa., have been destroyed by fire; the loss is \$80,000. At Sanford, Me., the carding and weaving mills of the blanket department of the Sanford mills have been burned. Other buildings were saved. Loss \$150,000, covered by insurance. One hundred and fifty hands are thrown out of employment. The buildings and 300 head of poultry belonging to the Beatrice (Neb.) Poultry Company were destroyed by fire from the explosion of a lamp in an incubator. Loss, \$3,000; insurance, \$700. The foundry of A. C. Williams at Chagrin Falls, Ohio, was burned. Loss, \$35,000; insurance, \$18,000; in addition, the grocery store of C. J. Baldwin & Co., Norwalk, Ohio, was damaged several thousand dollars.

EARLY in 1864 the steamer John T. Buffington, engaged in carrying supplies to Union soldiers at the outposts, was sunk by "Bill" Anderson's guerrilla band in the Missouri River near Rockport, Mo., and of all the forty or fifty people on board there was not a survivor. Many expeditions have been formed and much money spent to find the boat for the treasure that was on it, but they have all failed. Monday night, while railroad contractors were blasting on shore an immense piece of rock made a hole in a sandbar 100 yards out in the stream. A party went into what proved to be the old hulk and found half a dozen skeletons and one mummy. Two small kegs of gold were found and a great many cases of flour, with five barrels of whisky, which is of excellent quality. Only the forward compartment was examined. In the after part of the vessel much gold and more whisky and guns are expected to be found. The whisky is of great value.

MARKET REPORTS.

CHICAGO.	
CATTLE—Common to Prime	\$3.25 @ 6.00
HOGS—Shipping Grades	3.50 @ 6.00
SHEEP—Fair to Choice	4.00 @ 5.25
WHEAT—No. 2 Spring	.72 @ .72 1/2
CORN—No. 2	.42 @ .43
OATS—No. 2	.31 @ .32
RYE—No. 2	.49 @ .50
BUTTER—Choice Creamery	.28 @ .30
EGGS—Fresh	.23 @ .24
POTATOES—New, per bu.	.70 @ .80
INDIANAPOLIS.	
CATTLE—Shipping	3.25 @ 5.25
HOGS—Choice Light	3.50 @ 6.00
SHEEP—Common to Prime	3.00 @ 4.50
WHEAT—No. 2 Red	.67 @ .68
CORN—No. 2 White	.41 @ .41 1/2
OATS—No. 2 White	.35 @ .36
ST. LOUIS.	
CATTLE	3.00 @ 5.25
HOGS	4.00 @ 5.75
WHEAT—No. 2 Red	.68 @ .69
CORN—No. 2	.39 @ .40
OATS—No. 2	.31 @ .32
RYE—No. 2	.47 @ .48
CINCINNATI.	
CATTLE	3.00 @ 5.00
HOGS	3.00 @ 6.00
SHEEP	3.00 @ 4.75
WHEAT—No. 2 Red	.74 @ .74
CORN—No. 2	.43 @ .44
OATS—No. 2 Mixed	.36 @ .36 1/2
RYE—No. 2	.54 @ .56
DETROIT.	
CATTLE	3.00 @ 4.50
HOGS	3.00 @ 5.50
SHEEP	3.00 @ 4.25
WHEAT—No. 2 Red	.73 @ .74
CORN—No. 2 Yellow	.44 @ .45
OATS—No. 2 White	.37 1/2 @ .38 1/2
TOLEDO.	
WHEAT—No. 2	.74 @ .75
CORN—No. 2 White	.45 @ .45 1/2
OATS—No. 2 White	.35 @ .35 1/2
RYE	.53 @ .55
BUFFALO.	
CATTLE—Common to Prime	3.00 @ 5.00
HOGS—Best Grades	4.00 @ 6.00
WHEAT—No. 1 Hard	.82 @ .82 1/2
CORN—No. 2	.48 @ .49
MILWAUKEE.	
WHEAT—No. 2 Spring	.67 @ .68
CORN—No. 3	.41 @ .41 1/2
OATS—No. 2 White	.35 @ .35 1/2
RYE—No. 1	.50 @ .51
HARLEY—No. 2	.65 @ .67
PORK—Mess	14.00 @ 14.50
NEW YORK.	
CATTLE	3.50 @ 6.00
HOGS	3.00 @ 6.00
SHEEP	3.00 @ 5.00
WHEAT—No. 2 Red	.78 @ .79
CORN—No. 2	.51 @ .52
OATS—Mixed Western	.39 @ .39
BUTTER—Creamery	.29 @ .32
PORK—New Mess	14.25 @ 14.75

GAGE IN THE CABINET.

CHICAGO'S BANKER NAMED IN THAT CONNECTION.

Green B. Raum Makes Public His Report on Pensions—Nearrauga Canal Convention Opens at New Orleans—Threatens Tar and Feathers.

Who Gets the Prize?

THE New York World says: Lyman J. Gage, of Chicago, is a guest at the Holland House. He is here ostensibly on World's Fair business, but police say he had an interview with William C. Whitney, and may be regarded as a pretty strong favorite for a place in President Cleveland's Cabinet. Though ex-Congressman Morrison, ex-Minister Tree and other opponents of National Committeeman Cable have permitted it to be understood that they favored John R. Walsh as the Illinois member of the Cabinet, Mr. Gage is now understood to be their choice. It was in his behalf that ex-Committeeman Erskine M. Phelps was here a few days ago. He failed to see Mr. Cleveland, but ex-Minister Tree did. What encouragement he received is yet but conjecture. It is said that the President-elect assured him that as yet he had not considered whom he would choose as members of his official family. When he did he would think of Illinois.

Report of Pensions.

THE annual report of Green B. Raum, Commissioner of Pensions, made public the other day, shows that there were on the pension rolls June 30, 1892, 876,068 pensioners, an increase during the year of 199,908. There were added to the rolls during the year 222,937 new pensioners and 2,477 pensioners previously dropped were restored to the pension lists. During the year 25,307 persons were dropped from the rolls. The total amount expended for pensions during the fiscal year was \$13,035,612. For the present fiscal year \$144,956,000 is appropriated, and taking the cost of pension allowance during the first four months of this fiscal year as a basis of calculation, the Commissioner estimates that a deficiency appropriation of \$10,504,621 will be necessary to supplement this year's appropriation. An estimate of \$65,000,000 is submitted for the next fiscal year, but Commissioner Raum says that if as many allowances of pensions shall be made during the fiscal year to come as during the fiscal year ended June 30 last, this amount will not be large enough. He says, however, that it is difficult to forecast pension payments so far in advance, and that as Congress will be in session, no embarrassment will arise. His successor, in the light of actual cost of the work for the first six months of the fiscal year, finds that a further appropriation will be needed. Under the dependent and disability pension act 920,957 claims have been filed, of which number 403,859 have been allowed. The pension payments under the law up to December 30, 1892, amounted to \$76,494,443.

To Discuss the Canal.

THE Nicaragua Canal convention met at New Orleans Wednesday. The States represented so far in the convention, with the number of delegates, are as follows: Arkansas, 2; Alabama, 2; California, 11; Washington, D. C., 11; Florida, 16; Georgia, 5; Illinois, 10; Iowa, 14; Indiana, 2; Kentucky, 3; Kansas, 11; Louisiana, 150; Mississippi, 19; Maine, 2; Missouri, 8; Michigan, 3; New York, 15; Nebraska, 1; North Carolina, 1; Ohio, 7; Oregon, 1; Pennsylvania, 4; South Carolina, 1; Tennessee, 10; Texas, 15; Virginia, 1, making a total of 336. Others are coming.

Murderers Lynched in Louisiana.

TWO MEN were hanged to a telegraph pole near Benton in North Bossier Parish, La. Richard Magee was the man who shot and killed Mrs. Eille Lingle. Carmichael assisted in deceiving Mrs. Lingle by telling her that Magee was stealing and selling her hogs, which brought her out into the yard, where Magee shot her. Boto men had surrendered to Sheriff Thompson, but citizens hanged them. Magee was the husband of Mrs. Lingle's adopted daughter.

BREVITIES.

An epidemic of typhoid fever prevails among students at the Ohio Medical College, Cincinnati.

CONGRESSMAN LEWIS STEWARD, of the Illinois Eighth Congressional District, will contest the seat in Congress of Robert A. Childs, who has a plurality of 17 votes.

DICK BERLIN and Charley Hayes, two notorious gamblers of South Omaha, have been arrested, charged with the murder of Charles Miller, late Mayor of the city.

THE damage suit of G. W. Herrick against the La'e Shore Railroad was decided at Norwalk, Ohio, the plaintiff getting \$9,000. The case had been on trial eleven years. Herrick has since died.

MAKIN and his wife, the Sydney, N. S. W., baby farmers, who are charged with having caused the death of fifteen infants, entrusted to their care, have been committed for trial on charges of manslaughter.

MRS. MAGGIE BRADLEY, who was recently tried and acquitted for the murder of a baby, has been told by the women of Willis, Kan., to leave the county in ten days or they would take her by force.

A PASSENGER train was held up at Malta, Mont., by three men, who expressed the local safe from the express car.

THE Farmers' National Bank at Allentown, N. J., was robbed by two men, who, at the point of revolvers, forced the cashier to hand over \$2,700.

IN THE LOWER HOUSE.

AN INTERESTING STUDY OF ITS PERSONNEL.

How It Compares with Its Predecessor—In Numbers and Talent the Republicans Gain While the Democrats Lose—Old Members Returned.

From the Capital.

Washington correspondence:

The lower house of the Fifty-third Congress will have a decided Democratic majority, yet the Republicans by the recent election gained more than they lost in numbers and talent, while the Democrats lost many old and experienced members. In the House of Representatives of the Fifty-second Congress there are 235 Democrats, 88 Republicans and 9 Farmers' Alliance men, making a total of 332 members. In the Fifty-third Congress the total membership will be 356, a gain of 24 under the reapportionment of the new census. It is impossible yet to state definitely the relative strength of each party in the House, because in many districts the official count will be necessary to determine accurately the result. From the returns already received, however, it is evident that the Democrats will have in round numbers 220 members, the Republicans 130, and the Populists and Independents the remaining 6. With such a working majority as this the Democrats will be able to enact any legislation they choose on the tariff or any other question; and as the Senate will also have a Democratic majority, the party will be entirely responsible for whatever legislation is sent to President Cleveland for his signature.

A study of the personnel of the newly elected House shows that remarkably few changes have been made in its membership, considering the fact that the Representatives were voted for at a Presidential election, when men of both parties are naturally more anxious for re-election than in so-called off years. There have been comparatively few changes of conspicuous ability or striking personality in the lower house during the past few years, and the Fifty-second Congress was especially lacking in big men. The new Congress gains little if anything by the changes resulting from the elections, and the Democrats have failed to make up in ability what they have lost in the failure of old and capable members to be re-nominated or re-elected. The Republicans, on the other hand, in proportion to their total number, will have more men of real ability and parliamentary experience than the Democrats.

Losses and Gains.

The Democrats will still have such strong men as Speaker Crisp, Judge Holman, Springer, the Breckinridges, Synum of Indiana, Bourke Cochrane, Amos Cummings, Col. Fellows, Hart of Ohio, McMillin of Tennessee, Rayner of Maryland, and Blanchard of Louisiana; but they have lost Blount of Georgia, Herliert and Forney of Alabama, Hemphill of South Carolina, Hoar and Williams of Massachusetts, and others. The three first named have served long years in Congress, and are possessed of valuable knowledge and experience, which will be missed by their constituents and their colleagues in committees and on the floor of the House.

The Republicans lost none of their leaders, and the apt debaters, shrewd legislators, and skillful parliamentarians that make up the little band who have stood so gallantly by their dethroned czar during the sessions of the present Democratic House are all returned, and will continue to follow the brilliant, erratic and fateful, leadership of Tom Reed.

Among the members of the Fifty-second Congress who were noted above their fellows for some peculiar trait of character, personal appearance, or incident in life, and whose names will no longer be heard in the roll call, are Little Halvorsen, the Norwegian Alliance and Prohibition member from Minnesota; the venerable Leonidas M. Miller, of Wisconsin, who, as he sat in the front row, his bald head bobbing over his spectacles, bore a striking resemblance to Pickwick, who was born in Greece, the son of a fighting chief, who left him on the battlefield after a fierce fight with the Turks; Herman Hoar and George Fred Williams, of Massachusetts, who wept when Mills was defeated in the speakership caucus, and refused forsooth to vote for Crisp in the House; "Tom" Watson, of Georgia, who wrote a book to prove that his colleagues in Congress were rascals, and "the three Taylors," all from Ohio, and all Republicans. There will only be two Taylors in the new House as against five in the old. One from Indiana and the other is from Texas. There will be two Smiths only, George W., from Pennsylvania, and Marcus A., a delegate from Arizona.

His Last Official Days.

Mr. Harrison will get his last month's pay on February 28 or 29 in the shape of a draft issued on a warrant signed as usual by the Secretary of the Treasury and sent over to the White House by a messenger. The amount of this draft will be \$4,166.67, but four days' extra pay will be added for March. On the evening of March 3 he will go to the Capitol, where he will seat himself at the big table in the center of the president's room. This is said to be the handsomest room in the world, and the Chief Magistrate of the nation usually uses it once in two years. It has velvet carpet with a pile so deep that the footstep of one who walks upon it is noiseless. The furniture is covered with red leather, and the ceiling is frescoed in the highest style of art. Mr. Harrison will take a chair between two great mirrors, which so throw back each other's reflections that looking in either direction, he can see an interminable line of his own images extending out of sight. Up to midnight he will be occupied in hurriedly signing bills, in order that they may become laws before the expiration of the Fifty-second Congress. It will be his last night of power, the next day he becomes a private citizen, with no more control over public affairs than a newly naturalized foreigner.

BIG MONEY PROBLEMS.

Plans of De Rothschild and Prof. Soetbeer Considered with Favor.

The plan of M. de Rothschild, reported to the monetary conference in Brussels, is, in brief, that a syndicate of the nations be formed to make yearly purchases of silver to the amount of \$5,000,000, and that America continue her purchases of silver as at present. In the event of the price of silver rising above 42 an ounce the purchases are to be at once suspended.

Prof. Soetbeer's plan is to establish one gramme of fine gold as the international unit of value and to stop the minting of coins containing less than 5.8065 grammes of pure gold. The circulation of coin of foreign countries of less than the new standard will be prohibited by the countries signing the agreement, and gold coin of inferior value will be withdrawn within five years. Private individuals will be allowed to coin gold upon the payment of an agreed seigniorage. Gold certificates may be issued against gold held in reserve. Prof. Soetbeer's plan also includes the coinage of silver in the proportion of twenty value units of that metal to one of gold, but private individuals will not be allowed free coinage of silver. It is the general expectation that M. de Rothschild's proposals will be accepted by the committee and then referred for adoption or rejection to the conference and the Governments represented, with modifications suggested by the schemes of M. Levi and Prof. Soetbeer. One of the modifications will undoubtedly be that all gold coins below the value of twenty francs be withdrawn from circulation and replaced by silver notes.

The adhesion of the German delegates is now considered certain, as Herr Degebend, formerly President of the Reichsbank, approved the main lines of Prof. Soetbeer's proposal. The French representatives will also accept the plan of Prof. Soetbeer, which was communicated by M. Tirard, French Minister of Finance. The American delegates have strong reasons to be satisfied with the recognition of the advocates of monometalism and the seriousness of the dangers arising from a further fall in silver. They are disposed to support M. de Rothschild's proposals on the principle that half a loaf is better than no bread.

BAD AS THE CHOLERA.

Typhoid Fever Alarms St. Louis—New Cases Average 150 Daily.

The typhoid fever epidemic in St. Louis has begun to increase to an alarming extent. The most deplorable development is the fact that the fatalities have nearly doubled, and that, whereas the malady has heretofore been mainly confined to persons between the ages of 15 and 30 years, it has begun to lay hold on children and on the aged. Captain Joseph Labarge says that the plague is due to the recent overflow; for, since that time, water has stood in cellars all along the river front and become stagnant. There has, he says, been no overflow within his memory that was not followed by numerous cases of typhoid fever. Prior to 1850, and before there was any city sewerage, the fact was known to everybody, and well-to-do people invariably left the city after an overflow and remained away until the danger had been averted by nature's cleansing process. On the other hand the disease is confined almost wholly to the city proper, where nothing but city water is used and where the sewerage is good, as St. Louis sewerage goes. The citizens are almost panic-stricken. Two hundred new cases developed Saturday, 115 Sunday, 220 Monday and 118 Tuesday.

According to a press dispatch Chief Sanitary Officer Francis is now engaged in making a thorough inspection of the homes and surroundings of every one of the many hundreds of patients reported to the health department by the physicians. His report is not complete, and will not be for several days yet. It is apparent to anyone who visits the City Hall that Mr. Francis himself is excited. He is the one official who seems to realize the city's danger, but his hands are tied. The truth is that the abatement of the epidemic will rest largely with the street commissioner. Ten thousand men turned loose on the streets with brooms and other implements could not remove the filth in a month. The alleys are rich with nastiness, and their pungent odor pervades the downtown districts from Baden on the north to Arsenal street on the south. It is a shameful state of affairs, for which there seems to be no remedy.

LUMPY-JAW NOT CONTAGIOUS.

Result of the Slaughter and Official Examination of Diseased Cattle.

An investigation of importance to the cattle industry of the entire country has been concluded at the Chicago Stock Yards. The result proved that the much-talked-of "lumpy-jaw," at least in a mild form, is curable, and that the disease, even in its most advanced stages, is not necessarily, if at all, contagious. The test was conducted by the Bureau of Animal Industry of the Government Department of Agriculture, and Dr. Salmon, chief of the bureau, came from Washington especially for its supervision. Eighty head of cattle were brought from the Riverdale Distillery to the slaughter-house of Hess Brothers, at 40th and Union streets. A few were hopelessly diseased, and had been for weeks with the others, some of which were slightly affected, the others perfectly healthy. On these the test has been in progress for over two months, and the result was most satisfactory. Iodide of potassium was used in the treatment.

Terse Telegrams.

THE New York militia will probably attend the World's Fair in a body.

KATE GREEN, colored, of Louisville, Ky., beat her 10-year-old daughter to death for lying.

ROGER Q. MILLS has enough votes pledged to secure his re-election by a large majority.

NATURAL GAS FAILING

MANY RESERVOIRS OF THE FLUID ALMOST EMPTY.

Pressure Fast Decreasing—Warning Circular Issued by the Fort Wayne Company—The Supply May Give Out Entirely—Farmers Going West.

In the Gas Field.

That the reckless consumption of natural gas during the last ten years has almost emptied the vast subterranean reservoirs of this inflammable fluid seems certain. From many points where natural gas has for years been almost the only form of fuel used come accounts of decreasing pressure in the wells, constantly failing supply, and in many cases total cessation of the flow of gas. At Lima, Ohio, Fort Wayne, Connersville and other Indiana towns the deficiency has been so great as to compel the closing of many factories. In hundreds of instances families which relied on gas for heating and cooking purposes have been obliged to recur to coal stoves, and occasionally suffering has been caused by lack of fuel where adequate precautions against a failure of the natural-gas supply had not been taken.

Warning Circular Issued.

The following circular, recently sent out to its patrons by the Salomonie Mining and Gas Company of Fort Wayne, Ind., one of the largest purveyors of natural gas in the State, shows the straits to which consumers are reduced:

To Our Patrons: The supply of natural gas is certainly falling throughout our field, and the experience of cities in Ohio promises to be duplicated in Indiana. After considering the matter for some time our board reluctantly consented to the expenditure of \$25,000 more for the betterment of our supply and service to consumers. The expense is both great and hazardous in view of the experience of other cities. The additional lines and wells are now being pushed as rapidly as possible, and with fairly good weather we hope to give better service in the next three weeks. We fear from present indications it will be necessary to turn off all factories, but this step will not be taken until absolutely necessary. In the meantime we would advise all manufacturers to secure a supply of coal and be prepared to have gas turned off at any time on short notice. We sincerely hope our friends will bear with us and do their utmost to assist us in the present emergency.

Lima, Ohio, three years ago had a rock pressure on her line of 300 pounds, being much above the Indiana field; to-day it has fallen to 90 pounds and pumps are being put in to help force the gas to consumers. All her churches, school houses and public buildings have been shut off entirely and not a boiler is supplied at any price. This circular is not issued to alarm the public, but to enlist their co-operation and bring about a proper use of gas and avoid all waste and extravagant use of the same. Natural gas is certainly the "champagne of fuels" and should be so used. He who wastes a foot of it now is not only an enemy of the company, but also a public enemy. We are arranging for a display of gas-saving appliances, which we will have ready by the latter part of next month, of which you will be duly advised.

GOING FARTHER WEST.

Large Numbers of Illinois and Wisconsin Agriculturists Moving.

The movement of Northern Illinois and Southern Wisconsin farmers to Northern and Western Iowa, which has been an important factor in the development of these portions of Iowa during the past two or three years, is extending further west, says a Sioux City, Iowa, correspondent, and this fall hundreds of farmers from Illinois and Wisconsin, and not a few from the Mississippi River counties in Iowa, have made purchases in Northern Nebraska and South Dakota, with the intention of making their homes in these States in the future. The farmers came out on the annual harvest excursions given by the railroad companies. Most of them come from about Council Hill, Galena, Peacatonica, from Kane County, and from the southern counties of Illinois. They invariably buy the best farms here and pay cash for them. They sell their old homes for from \$40 to \$70 an acre, and are able to buy the best farms here for from \$18 to \$30 per acre. This leaves them enough money to put on good improvements after paying cash for their farms and still have a neat balance left to their credit.

Better Farmers.

This movement to the West has had a great deal to do with its development. It is an undeniable fact that the Illinois and Wisconsin men are better farmers than those they found in possession of the country. They use more machinery and give more attention to the breeding of stock and to dairy farming. They are responsible for the wonderful growth of the dairy business throughout Iowa, and are developing it as rapidly in the new fields they are seeking in Nebraska and South Dakota. They build better houses and their farms are neater in appearance. A person can come very near to picking out their places in driving through the country. Those who bought this fall already have under way or are planning improvements that will add greatly to the value of their places and at the same time enhance the value of surrounding property.

Real estate men agree in saying that it is this immigration that has had more to do than any other one thing in advancing the prices of raw lands in this section, from \$4 to \$6 to \$10 to \$15, and of improved lands from \$10 to \$20 to from \$15 to \$25 during the past two years. Their coming has been a relief to many a mortgage-ridden Western farmer, who has received from them the money in exchange for his farm with which to clear away his indebtedness and start anew on a good foothold. The farmer who sells generally buys cheaper lands in the same neighborhood or raw lands and starts in again.

This year the sales in Illinois and Wisconsin farmers have been 50 per cent greater than ever before, and it is estimated that the farm population of the country within a radius of 150 miles of this city will, in the next eight months, be increased by at least 8,000 persons, because of their removal to purchases made in this area.

The fierce competition of rival water companies has enabled the people of Denver to get their water for nothing, and they are looking anxiously for a similar outbreak of rivalry among the saloon men.

STATE PLUMS.

Fat Offices to Be Filled by President Cleveland.

The Cleveland administration, says the Evening News' Washington correspondent, will have a large number of important offices in Michigan to distribute among the faithful. Those include the chief officials of the Detroit customs district, with salaries aggregating \$19,500 and fees of an indefinite amount.

There are also eight other clerks at salaries from \$730 up to \$1,200, in addition to seven deputy collectors and twenty-seven inspectors at \$3 per day, two women inspectors at \$1.50 per day and inspectors at other down-river points at \$1 and \$2 per day.

At Grand Haven the customs collector receives \$1,000 and fees, special deputy collector \$1,200. There are 12 inspectors receiving per diem allowances varying from 50 cents up to \$2. At Grand Rapids and Marquette the collector receives \$2,000; two deputy collectors receive \$1,200 each, and 16 inspectors along the upper lakes receive per diem allowances of \$2 and \$3 per day.

The collector of customs at Port Huron receives \$1,000 and fees. The fees are very large owing to the Grand Trunk traffic. The other officers are: Deputy collector, \$2,000; cashier, \$1,500; two chief clerks and two inspectors, \$1,400 each; one inspector, \$1,200; storekeeper, \$1,200. There are also 27 deputies and inspectors at salaries from \$1,000 down to \$864. There are 13 subordinate officers, receiving from \$730 down to \$240.

Internal Revenue Collector.

The Collector of Internal Revenue for the First District at Detroit has a salary of \$4,500. There are fifteen deputy collectors at various points in the district, receiving from \$2,000 to \$1,200 and traveling expenses. The two gaugers at Detroit receive fees; three clerks at Detroit from \$1,000 down to \$600. The Revenue Collector at Grand Rapids receives \$2,855. He has one deputy collector at Reed City at \$1,900, and one at Bellevue at \$1,650, and two at Grand Rapids at \$1,500. The chief clerk receives \$1,000 and the gauger fees.

The Steamboat Inspector for the Eighth District is usually a Michigan man. The office is worth \$3,000. It embraces seventeen officials with salaries from \$2,000 down to \$800. The pension agent at Detroit receives \$4,000; chief clerk, \$1,800; assistant chief clerk, \$1,500; financial clerk, \$1,350; chief of widow department, \$1,140; and sixteen clerks at \$960 down to \$600. The present agent, Edward H. Harvey, has his entire staff made up of women, with the exception of three persons. There is no other pension agency in Michigan.

The registers of the Land Office, in the two districts, with headquarters at Grayling and at Marquette, receive \$500 per annum and fees, not exceeding \$1,000. The receivers of public money at these two places are paid similar amounts.

Presidential Postoffices.

The Presidential postoffices of Michigan and their salaries are as follows: Adrian, \$2,400; Albion, \$2,200; Allegan, \$1,700; Alma, \$1,400; Alpena, \$2,000; Ann Arbor, \$2,600; Au Sable, \$1,300; Bangor, \$1,000; Battle Creek, \$2,700; Bay City, \$2,700; Belding, \$1,200; Benton Harbor, \$1,800; Berrien Springs, \$1,100; Bessemer, \$1,400; Big Rapids, \$2,100; Blissfield, \$1,000; Bronson, \$1,000; Buchanan, \$1,500; Cadillac, \$1,800; Calumet, \$1,600; Caro, \$1,500; Carson City, \$1,000; Cassopolis, \$1,200; Cedar Springs, \$1,000; Charlevoix, \$2,000; Charlesworth, \$1,200; Cheboygan, \$1,700; Chelsea, \$1,200; Chesaning, \$1,000; Clare, \$1,100; Coldwater, \$2,300; Constantine, \$1,300; Corunna, \$1,200; Crystal Falls, \$1,200; Decatur, \$1,600; Detroit, \$3,900; Dowagiac, \$1,700; East Saginaw, \$2,000; East Tawas, \$1,100; Eaton Rapids, \$1,500; Escanaba, \$2,000; Evart, \$1,300; Fenton, \$1,500; Flint, \$2,500; Flushing, \$1,000; Fort Gratiot, \$1,200; Fowlerville, \$1,900; Fremont, \$1,100; Gaylord, \$1,000; Gladstone, \$1,100; Grand Haven, \$1,700; Grand Ledge, \$1,300; Grand Rapids, \$3,490; Grayling, \$1,400; Greenville, \$1,800; Hancock, \$1,800; Harbor Springs, \$1,000; Hart, \$1,600; Hartford, \$1,000; Hastings, \$1,600; Hillsdale, \$1,200; Holland, \$1,700; Holly, \$1,600; Homer, \$100; Houghton, \$1,600; Howard City, \$100; Howell, \$1,600; Hudson, \$1,600; Inlay City, \$1,200; Ionia, \$2,100; Iron Mountain, \$2,000; Iron River, \$1,000; Ironwood, \$1,900; Ishpeming, \$2,000; Ithaca, \$1,400; Jackson, \$2,900; Jonesville, \$1,000; Kalamazoo, \$3,100; Kalkaska, \$1,100; Lake Linden, \$1,200; Lake View, \$1,000; Lansing, \$2,800; Lapeer, \$1,600; Leslie, \$1,000; Lowell, \$1,400; Ludington, \$1,900; Manacelona, \$1,100; Manchester, \$1,000; Manistee, \$2,200; Manistique, \$1,400; Marine City, \$1,300; Marquette, \$2,400; Marshall, \$1,800; Mason, \$1,500; Mendon, \$1,100; Menominee, \$2,500; Middleville, \$1,000; Midland, \$1,400; Milford, \$1,000; Monroe, \$1,800; Morenci, \$1,000; Mount Clemens, \$1,700; Mount Pleasant, \$1,600; Muskegon, \$2,000; Nashville, \$1,000; Negaunee, \$1,700; Newaygo, \$1,000; Niles, \$1,800; Northville, \$1,400; No. way, \$1,000; Olivet, \$1,000; Oscoda, \$1,500; Otsego, \$1,400; Ovid, \$1,400; Owosso, \$2,200; Ozark, \$1,100; Paw Law, \$1,400; Pentwater, \$1,200; Petoskey, \$1,350; Plainwell, \$1,200; Plymouth, \$1,100; Pontiac, \$2,200; Port Huron, \$2,500; Portland, \$1,400; Portsmouth, \$1,300; Quincy, \$1,500; Reading, \$1,000; Red Jacket, \$1,600; Reed City, \$1,500; Republic, \$1,000; Romeo, \$1,000; Saginaw, \$2,400; St. Clair, \$1,200; St. Ignace, \$1,500; St. John's, \$1,900; St. Joseph, \$1,700; St. Louis, \$1,500; Sand Beach, \$1,000; Sault Ste. Marie, \$2,000; Shelby, \$1,000; South Haven, \$1,400; Stanton, \$1,400; Sturgis, \$1,500; Tecumseh, \$1,600; Three Oaks, \$1,400; Three Rivers, \$1,800; Traverse City, \$1,900; Union City, \$1,200; Vassar, \$1,400; Vicksburg, \$1,000; Wayne, \$1,000; West Bay City, \$1,900; West Branch, \$1,100; Whitehall, \$1,100; White Pig-on, \$1,300; Williams-ton, \$1,300; Wyandotte, \$1,100; Ypsilanti, \$2,300.

INDEPENDENT top garments in three-quarter lengths are frequently made of black silk. These will furnish the most stylish model for mid-season wear.

MICHIGAN STATE NEWS

OCCURRENCES DURING THE PAST WEEK.

Interesting Suit Against a Liquor Dealer—Killed Two Deer with One Ball—Long Journey of a Message in a Bottle.

From Far and Near.

A CHERRY GROVE pastor has resigned. He will now work in a saw mill.

ERNEST WEBER, of Waterloo, had his hand badly smashed by the accidental discharge of his gun.

A 6-YEAR-OLD son of Will Lang, of Sumner, was seriously injured in the head by a horse's kick.

PIPE LAKE will have a new creamery. It will be the first one in Northern Michigan using the Elgin process.

GRASS LAKE has for some time been without a justice of the peace, and a lot of people are accordingly happy.

JOSEPH PAGE, an insane man confined in jail at Bay City, is starving himself to death. He spends his time in prayer.

GILBERT LAPAGE, of Granite Bluff, Dickinson County, fell off a tree and fractured his skull. He is in a critical condition.

CAROLTON people presented Saginaw's fire department with \$25 as a recognition of the department's services at the recent blaze in their town.

FORTY employes of the Grand Trunk Road at Port Huron have been discharged for taking advantage of the company's liberality in furnishing them coal cheap to supply their neighbors.

THE Menominee River Boom Company has shut down, owing to the freezing up of the river, after sorting 365,000,000 feet of logs during the season.

MERRILL HERROON, formerly of Linwood, Bay County, is in jail at North Madison, Ohio, charged with bigamy. He married a Linwood and then an Ohio woman.

A MR. RUSSELL—he doesn't drink—claims to have killed two deer with one shot near Boyne Falls. They stood side by side and the ball broke the one's neck and penetrated the other's heart.

JOHN LESS, an Alpena man, had saved about \$80. Not believing in such flimsy affairs as banks, he stored the stuff away in a tin can. It's gone. John suspects a woman of being the thief.

AN Alderman of West Bay City is going to get married. At the Council meeting he attended, the other members passed a resolution of sympathy and another asking the man to banquet the city dads.

MAUD THORP, a 17-year-old Saginaw girl, goes back to the Industrial Home, from which institution she was released some time ago during good behavior. She didn't behave, but took to running around nights.

At the funeral of Joshua Summers, of Brown City, the horses ran away with the hearse. The casket was thrown out and badly mutilated. A son and daughter of the deceased also had a runaway and were badly cut up and bruised.

PEOPLE at North Woodstock are made of the right kind of stuff. A farmer there was sick and his big crop of corn was going to the dogs. The other morning when the man opened his eyes he found that neighbors had hauled all the corn into his barn.

ON Nov. 21, 1890, Lester B. Cheeseman, of Sturgeon Bay, Wis., threw a bottle overboard near that place, requesting the finder to write to him, being eager to learn where it was discovered. The other day Lester's aunt, Mrs. M. D. Pool, found the bottle on the beach at Pentwater.

EUGENE HUTTON, the Treasurer of South Bay City Tent No. 177, who was reported to have skipped with the tent's funds and several of her people's money, wired from Fulton, N. Y., that he had paid the last assessment to Treasurer Whalen, of Flint. The latter denies the statement.

MRS. MAX FREEZE, of Bay City, says that her husband left home over a year ago to find work in the lumber woods. Soon afterwards he wrote that he was going to a Detroit Hospital, having received some injury while at work. That was the last the woman, who is in destitute circumstances, heard of him.

AT the next term of the circuit court at Mt. Clemens the case of Mrs. Fred Moore against Jerome Burr, a Warren saloonkeeper, will be tried. The woman's husband got drunk in Burr's saloon last New Year's, and on his way home sustained injuries by falling out of his buggy which caused his death in September. Mrs. Moore wants \$5,000 damages. The State Brewers' Association is said to have taken up the case.

HIGHWOOD, Gladwin County, is to have a boom. A tract of 30 acres has been platted and will be added to the town.

J. D. BENNETT and wife, who for the past six years have been missionaries in Africa, have returned to their old home in Mundy.

DANIEL FINCH, aged 93, was picked up at Saginaw after he had slept out of doors for three nights. He hails from Grand Rapids.

AUGUST WETT, aged 26, died at Saginaw from the effect of being struck in the abdomen the other morning by a slab flying back from a saw.

ALONZO STONE, employed in an Alpena mill, fell from a train, striking on his head and shoulders. He was dangerously injured internally.

AT LaSling, Mich., Nov. 22, Luther Ripley, aged 54, former State Organizer of the Patrons of Industry and State Lecturer of the Farmers' Alliance, died from suffocation incident to a tumor.

ISAAC BACKMAN, who seriously stabbed a Finlander in a saloon at the Atlantic mine, was convicted of assault to do great bodily harm less than murder.

NOTHING has as yet been heard of John Braniff and John Soderstrom, the two missing Grand Marais fishermen, and it seems certain that they were drowned.

DON'T EXPECT SANTA CLAUS THIS YEAR

for he may skip Chelsea. Last year he spent the Holidays at the Bank Drug Store, and after seeing them supply the people with gifts and presents at their marvelous prices, and witnessing

GLAZIER'S * MAMMOTH * CHRISTMAS * PIE

he concluded that Chelsea was pretty well cared for without him. He has certainly left the business in good hands as

THE 1,200 CHILDREN

who received a piece of his pie, and the purchasers who profited at his counters, can testify, but, enough of the past, we are now dealing with the present,

WHAT THE WORLD WANTS TO KNOW

They are anxious at present to know where to buy Holiday Goods. Where they can find the best assortment. Where their money will go the farthest.

If They are Wise

they won't forget the Bank Drug Store, for it certainly hasn't forgotten them in buying and marking its goods. They will call and look over the large and elegant line of

Silverware, Toilet Sets, Books, Fancy Crockery
Plush Albums, Poems, Bibles, Gold Watches,
Chains, Rings, Breast and Scarf Pins, Thimbles

We Will Please You Once in Quality, Twice in Quantity, Three Times in Price

ANOTHER * CHRISTMAS * PIE!

SEASONED WITH 1,500 PRESENTS.

That is what Glazier, the Druggist, is preparing for the children. All under 12 can have a draw.

NO BLANKS

can be found in this pie. It is conducted exactly like his business, everything on the square.

"GOOD WILL TO ALL MEN"

is one of our mottos, and we also think it pays to

REMEMBER THE CHILDREN

which we are going to do as thoroughly as we can on Dec. 18th to 24th.

DON'T FORGET THE PIE.

WE INVITE COMPARISON

both in the price and quality of our goods. We have a large and beautiful stock in every line, and the tags on them will make you

SMILE OUT LOUD.

Christmas is a time to be happy. Commence early by coming to the Bank Drug Store before the rush, as you will be disappointed if you wait.

WATCH THIS PAGE

for the next two weeks, as it will tell you how to make a little money go a great ways, and also how to buy

THE NICEST CHRISTMAS PRESENTS

AT THE LOWEST PRICES.

YOURS FOR CHRISTMAS BARGAINS,

F. P. GLAZIER & COMPANY