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REPORT OF THE CONDITION

Chelsea Savings Bank.

At Chelsea, Michigan,
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RESOURCES.	
Loans and discounts	\$117,640.08
Stocks, bonds, mortgages, etc	65,348.20
Due from banks in reserve cities	21,083.42
Due from other banks and bankers	31,147.76
Furniture and fixtures	4,008.70
Other real estate	3,929.50
Current expenses and taxes paid	1,433.61
Interest paid	289.82
Exchanges for clearing house	204.62
Checks and cash items	489.36
Nicks and pennies	189.30
Gold	2,015.00
Silver	1,024.25
U. S. and National Bank Notes	4,947.00
Total	\$253,750.62

LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus fund	2,683.80
Undivided profits	14,246.60
Individual deposits	48,658.48
Savings deposits	138,161.74
Total	\$253,750.62

State of Michigan, County of Washtenaw, ss.

I, Geo. P. Glazier, cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Correct—Attest: **W. J. KNAPP**
H. M. WOODS
F. P. GLAZIER
 Directors.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 14th day of Dec., 1892.
THEO. E. WOOD, Notary Public.

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WASHINGTON LETTER.

An Interesting Budget from the Nation's Capital.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—If there has been any inclination on the part of the republican senators representing the Eastern States to hold aloof from their brethren in the west and permit them to struggle along as best they could such a feeling was not manifested at yesterday's caucus of the republican senators. On the contrary, there was a remarkable unanimity of sentiment and an expression of a determination to protect the people of those states in the exercise of their constitutional rights in sending to the United States senate the senator who may be legally elected. When Mr. Sherman called the caucus to order there was an attendance larger than that of the other day, and the eastern members were out in full forces. Some of the most forcible speeches made came from these men, who repudiated the idea that they had at any time given utterance to any thought that could by any possibility be construed as an indication of lukewarmness on their part. It is a settled thing that the republicans are not going to let the democrats get a majority in the senate if it can be helped. The western senators are prevailing in their position that nothing should be surrendered that can be held. The republican senators feel very confident that they can hold Wyoming, Montana, North Dakota and Nebraska. A prominent democrat told your correspondent yesterday that he felt that the republicans would get the senate.

Secretary Tracy's report of events and progress and development in the navy department has elicited from democratic as well as republican sources, a great volume of sincere and fervent compliment. He is so generous in recognizing the achievements of his predecessors, so cordial in acknowledging the zeal, the ability, and the devotion of his subordinates and, finally he so clearly and so unostentatiously sets forth the splendid record of the past four years that party lines are forgotten in a spontaneous outburst of patriotic pride. Mr. Tracy has given us a brilliant and memorable chapter in the history of the American Navy. The record has been as creditable to himself as it has been reassuring and gratifying to the country. He does not claim to have done more than continue the expansion set on foot by his predecessors, but his modesty and magnanimity in that respect will not blind us to the real value and importance of the service he has rendered. The nation will have little to wish for if Benjamin F. Tracy's successor shall, in 1896, be able to point to as splendid a result.

The interval between this time and the close of the present administration is being utilized, to a large extent, by government officials who expect then to retire from public life, in making arrangements for other connections which will have some salary attachment. While, no doubt, the giving up of the office would not be voluntary, if it was left to the individual, yet in many cases the necessity will be welcomed that compels them to such other means of livelihood. There are no doubt many men who can earn, in private life, more money each year than their salary received from Uncle Sam amounts to, but at the same time there is a reluctance to give up a certainty for an uncertainty. Some of the men released from official cares will return to their homes and resume their old occupations, while others will accept positions with firms. Then there is a class whose knowledge and training in the government service gives their special fitness to prosecute claims of various kinds. They will open an office in this city and will continue to be residents here. There are a good many already in the field, but that is no reason why others and later comers should not succeed.

Despite Mr. Cleveland's speech at the Reform Club dinner—a speech which was expected to make every thing clear—there is evidently a great deal of doubt as to what are the principles or other forces which control the democratic party of this day. If Senator Gorman and many other prominent democrats are sincere there will be a good deal of protection in the incoming administration. In this connection it may not be amiss to ask what Mr. Cleveland meant by saying the people would surely revenge themselves upon those who deceive or betray them. If Senator Mills asserts, the November victory was due to a popular desire for free trade it will be deception or betrayal from his point of view should Mr. Cleveland's leanings toward semi-protection be reflected in legislation.

The secretary of the treasury has informed the house committee on appropriations that there will surely be a balance of \$20,000,000 in the treasury at the end of this fiscal year. Secretary Foster, in an interview with Senators Charlisle and Brice, told them the same thing.

XMAS QUESTIONS

Asked and Answered

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A Happy New Year.

Coming, coming, coming!
Listen! perhaps you'll hear
Over the snow the bugles blow
To welcome the glad new year.
In the steeples tongues are ringing,
There are many sleigh-bells tinkling,
And the people for joy are singing,
It's coming, coming near.

Flying, sighing, dyliz,
Going away to-night,
Weary and old, its story told,
The year that was full and bright,
Oh, half we are sorry it's leaving;
Good-by has a sound of grieving;
But its work is done and its weaving;
God speed its parting flight!

Tripping, slipping, skipping,
Like a child in its wooing grace,
With never a tear and never a fear,
And a light in the laughing face;
With hands held out to greet us,
With gay little steps to meet us,
With sweet eyes that entice to us,
The new year comes to its place.

Coming, coming, coming!
Promising lovely things—
The gold and gray of the summer day,
The winter with fleecy wings;
Promising swift birds glancing,
And the patter of rain-drops dancing,
And the sunbeams' arrowy lancing,
Dear gifts the new year brings

Coming, coming, coming!
The world is a vision white;
From the powdered eaves to the sere-
brown leaves,
That are hidden out of sight,
In the steeples tongues are ringing,
The bells are merrily ringing,
And "Happy New Year" we're singing,
For the old year goes to-night,
—Harper's Young People

BABY DEB'S GOOSE.



CHRISTMAS is just as much Christmas at the Boon Island light-house as it is anywhere else in the world. And why not? There are six children there, though, and a mother and a father; and if they cannot make a Christmas, then nobody can.

Why, Baby Deb alone is material enough of which to make a Christmas, and a very rollicking, jolly sort of Christmas, too; but when to her you add Tom and Sue and Sally and Ike and Sam—well, the grim old light-house fairly overflows with Christmas every 25th of December. Ah, then, if you suppose that that cunning old gentleman, Santa Claus, does not know how to find a chimney, even when the cold waves are pelting it with frozen spray-drops ten miles from land, you little know what a remarkable gift he has in that way!

And the Christmas dinners they have there! The goose—the brown, crisp, juicy, melting roast goose! What would that dinner be without that goose? What, indeed!

But once—they turn pale at that lighthouse now when they think of it—once they came very near having no goose for Christmas.

It came about in this way: Papa—ah, if you could only hear Baby Deb tell about it! It would be worth the journey. But you cannot, of course, so never mind. Papa Stoughton—the lighthouse-keeper, you know—had lost all his money in a savings bank that had failed early in that December.

A goose is really not an expensive fowl; but if one has not the money, of course one cannot buy even a cheap thing. Papa Stoughton could not afford a goose. He said so—said so before all the family.

Ike says that the silence that fell upon that family then was painful to hear. They looked one at another with eyes so wide open that it's a mercy they ever could shut them again.

"No goose!" at last cried Tom, who was the oldest.

"No goose!" cried the others in chorus. All except Baby Deb, who was busy at the time gently admonishing Sculpin, her most troublesome child, for being so dirty. Baby Deb said "No doose!" after all the others were quiet. That made them all laugh. However, when Papa Stoughton explained how it was, they saw it as plainly as he did, and so they made no complaint. Only Tom fell

a-thinking, and when the others saw what he was doing they did the same; the difference being that Tom was trying to think what could be done to get the goose anyhow, and they were trying to think what he was thinking about, so that they could think the same.

All except Baby Deb, of course; who being only four years old, gave herself very little concern about the thoughts of others. Her own thoughts took all of her time.

"We must have a goose," said Tom.

"Oh!" gasped his audience, moved by mingled amazement and admiration.

Tom looked at them with great firmness and dignity.

"Ever since I was born," he went on, "we have had a roast goose for Christmas."

Ever since he was born! It might have been a hundred years before, from Tom's tone and manner, and the audience was tremendously impressed.

"And," continued the orator, "we must have one now. We will have one now."

They almost stopped breathing.

"I have a plan," they shuddered and drew nearer. "We all must contribute!"

"Oh!" in chorus.

"Do you want goose, Sue?"

"Yes, indeed."

"You, Sal?"

"Yes."

"Ike?"

"Do!" Well!

"Sam?"

"Yes, sir."

"Me, too," said Baby Deb, with great earnestness; for it was clear to her that it was a question of eating, and she did not wish to be left out.

"Of course, you, too, you daisy dumpling," said Tom. "Now, then," he continued, when order was restored, "what shall we contribute? I'll give my new sail-boat. That ought to bring 50 cents."

"I'll give my shells," said Sue, heroically.

"My sea-mosses," sighed Sally.

"You may take my shark's teeth," said Ike.

"And my whale's tooth," said Sam.

The sacrifice was general: the light-house would yield up its treasures.

"All right," said Tom. "Now let's tell father."

And father was told, and for some reason he pretended to look out of the window very suddenly—but he did not, he wiped his eyes. And Mamma Stoughton rubbed her spectacles and winked very hard, and said:

"Bless their hearts!"

"And what does Baby Deb contribute?" said Papa Stoughton, by way of a little joke.

"I dess I's not dot nuffin," was Baby Deb's reply, when the matter was explained to her, "cept 'oo tate Stulpin."

Oh, what a laugh there was then! For if ever there was a maimed and demoralized doll, it was Sculpin. But Baby Deb was hugged and kissed as if she had contributed a lump of gold instead of a little bundle of rags.

Papa Stoughton and Tom were to go out to the main-land the first clear day to buy the goose; but—alas!—a storm came on, and they were forced to wait for it to go down. It did not go down; it grew worse. The wind shrieked and moaned and wrestled with the lonely tower, and the waves hurled themselves furiously at it, and washed over and over the island, and no boat could have lived a moment in such weather.

If a goose be only a goose, no matter; but if it be a Christmas dinner!—Ah, then!

Yes, they had good reason to feel dismal in the light-house. It was no wonder if five noses were fifty times a day flattened despairingly against the light-house windows. Yes, six noses, for even Baby Deb was finally affected; and, though she did not know the least thing about the weather, she, too, would press her little nose against the glass in a most alarming way, as if she thought that pressure was the one effective thing.

It took some time for Baby Deb to realize the importance of having a goose for Christmas; but when she had grasped the idea she became an enthusiast on the subject. She explained the matter to her dolls, and was particularly explicit with Sculpin, with whom, indeed, she held very elaborate and almost painful

conversations.

One thing became very certain. There was very little prospect of clear weather within a week, and it lacked only three days of Christmas. The others gloomily gave up hope, but not so did Baby Deb. The truth was, she had a plan, and you know when one has a plan one has hope, too.

Mamma Stoughton had only recently been having a series of talks with Baby Deb on the important question of prayer, and it had occurred to Baby Deb that the goose was a good subject for prayer. It was a very clear case to her. The goose was necessary. Why not ask for it, then?

The great difficulty was to find a secret place for her devotions, for the family very well filled the light-house, and Baby Deb had understood that prayers ought to be quietly and secretly made.

The place was found, however. Just in front of the light-house was a broad ledge of rock, generally washed by the waves, but at low tide, even in this bad weather, out of water. The other children had been forbidden to go there because it was dangerous, but no one had thought of cautioning Baby Deb. So there she went, and in her imperfect way begged hard for the goose.

Christmas Eve came, and still there was no goose. Baby Deb was puzzled; the others were gloomy. Still Baby Deb would not give up. It would be low tide about seven o'clock. She knew that, for she had asked. She would make her last trial. She had hope yet; but as the others knew nothing of her plans, they had absolutely no hope. To them it was certain that there could be no Christmas goose.

Seven o'clock came, and Baby Deb crept softly from the room and downstairs. She opened the great door just a little bit, and slipped out into the darkness. Really did slip, for it was very icy on the rocks, and she sat down very hard. However, she was very chubby and did not mind it. She crawled cautiously around to the big rock, the keen wind nipping her round cheeks and pelting her with the frozen drops of spray. She knelt down.

"Oh! please, dood Lord, send us a doose. We wants a doose awful. Won't you, please, dood Lord?"

Thud! fell something right alongside of her.

"Oh! What's dat?" she exclaimed, putting her hand out. "Why, it's a doose!" she cried, with a scream of delight, as her hand came in contact with a soft, warm, feathery body.

She forgot to give a "thank you" for the goose; but she was thankful, though not so very much surprised. She really had expected it.

It was a heavy load for Baby Deb, but she was excited and did not no-



"OH! PLEASE, DOOD LORD, SEND A DOOSE."

If trusty statistics could be had of the number of persons who die every year, or become permanently diseased from sleeping in damp or cold beds, they would probably be astonishing and appalling. It is a peril that besets traveling men, and if they are wise they will invariably insist on having their beds aired and dried, even at the risk of causing much trouble to their landlords. But, according to Good Housekeeping, it is a peril that resides also in the home, and the cold "spare room" has slain its thousands of hopeless guests, and will go on with slaughter till people learn wisdom. Not only the guest but the family often suffer the penalty of sleeping in cold rooms and chilling their bodies at a time when they need all their bodily heat, by getting between their cold sheets. Even in summer a cold, damp bed will get in its deadly work. It is needless peril, and the neglect to provide dry rooms and beds has in it the elements of murder and suicide.

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A Great Breach of Friendship.
On the death of a celebrated French journalist the following story was related of him, says the Boston Courier: He was once very sick and the visiting physician gave him up as lost. "I cannot do anything for you," he said, "you must die." Another doctor was, however, called in, who succeeded in curing him. The first time the convalescent took a stroll he met his first doctor, who, greatly surprised, said he thought him no more among the living. "Well, you see," said the patient, "when you left Dr. V. was called in, and he succeeded in building me up again." "Oh! well! well! A man whom I thought my friend! Really it was not at all nice in him!"

A Herald of the Infant Year.
Clip the last thirty years or more from the century, and the segment will represent the term of the unbounded popularity of Hostetter's Stomach Bitters. The opening of the year 1893 will be signalized by the appearance of a fresh Almanac of the Bitters, in which the uses, derivation and action of this world-famous medicine will be lucidly set forth. Everybody should read it. The calendar and astronomical calculations to be found in this brochure are always astonishingly accurate, and the statistics, illustrations, humor and other reading matter rich in interest and full of profit. The Hostetter Company, of Pittsburg, Pa., publish it themselves. They employ more than sixty hands in the mechanical work, and more than eleven months in the year are consumed in its preparation. It can be obtained, without cost, of all druggists and country dealers, and is printed in English, German, French, Welsh, Norwegian, Swedish, Holland, Bohemian and Spanish.

An Insane Prince.
Contrary to expectations, there seems to be little hope of the recovery of Prince Pedro of Coburg, grandson of the late emperor of Brazil, who suddenly became insane in Vienna a few weeks ago. The young man inherited a taste for study from his grandfather, and was educated with the possibility in view that he might sit eventually upon the throne of Brazil, although his aunt was first in line. Legat at the exile of his grandfather, and the loss of his chances, with too much study, are given now as the reasons of his terrible affliction. The prince spent the greater part of his youth in Brazil, although his father lived in Europe.

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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 together.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

We wish all of our readers a merry Christmas.

Born, Saturday, December 17, 1892, to Mr. and Mrs. C. Maroney, a daughter.

Miss Nellie Stocking has received an appointment in the office of Secretary of State at Lansing.

'Tis said that one of our most enthusiastic lovers of ice-boating took an involuntary bath in Cavanaugh lake one day last week.

The Chautauqua Literary and Scientific Circle will meet with Miss Cora M. Irwin Wednesday evening December 28th, at 7 o'clock.

Schumann Quartette assisted by Geo. Gage, the humorist and impersonator at the Town Hall, Monday January 2nd, 1893. Admission 35c, Gallery 25c. Reserved seats without extra charge at Cummings'.

Mr. Jacob Slimmier, of Lima, and Miss Sarah Z. Brennan, of Jackson, were united in the holy bands of wedlock, Wednesday evening, December 21, 1892, at the home of Samuel Seney, in the Happy New Year, by Rev. Thomas Harper for the old year go.

BABY DEB'S GOOSE.



CHRISTMAS is just as much Christmas at the Boon Island light-house as it is anywhere else in the world. And why not? Look over your heads, bill heads, statements, envelopes, and office stationary, and if they are running low come to the STANDARD job office and get a supply. The best work at the lowest prices possible that good work can turned out for.

The following will be the officers of the Chelsea Tent, K. O. T. M., for the coming year: Com., Jas. W. Spear; Lt. Com., A. C. Pierce; R. K., E. A. Williams; F. K., O. T. Hoover; Chap. B. Parker; Phy'n, A. E. Powell; Surg., A. R. Congdon; M. at A., A. E. Winans; 1st M. of G., Jas. W. Ackerson; 2d M. of G., F. W. Canfield; Sentinel, J. Hummel; Picket, Geo. Irwin.

The following were elected officers of R. P. Carpenter Post, G. A. R., for the ensuing year: Com., A. Neuberger; Sr. Com., R. Green; Jr. Com., Wm. Yocum; Ser., E. L. Negus; Quartermaster, J. A. Palmer; Chaplain, A. N. Morton; Officer of Day, J. F. Harrington; Officer of Guard, Thos. Jackson; Delegate, H. L. Wood; alternate, J. G. Schmidt.

Speaking of the concert at the Town Hall Monday, January 2nd, the Chicago Saturday Mail says: The Schumann Lady Quartette is doing excellent work this season. As now constituted it is doubtful if a superior exists. Their voices blend most excellently, their shading and phrasing are artistic, and their distinctness of enunciation cannot be too highly praised. It is as good as it is rare.

Geo. W. Gage, the Boston humorist, with the Schumann Quartette at the Town Hall, Monday January 2nd, 1893, is without question one of the most successful "fun-makers" before the public. He is wonderfully clever in dialect selections and a faculty of keeping his audiences in roars of laughter. He is refined and thoroughly original in all that he undertakes to do and never fails to make a "hit."

The following persons will act as officers of the W. R. C. for the ensuing year: President, Mrs. M. Boyd; Sr. Vice-Pres., Mrs. T. Wilkinson; Jr. Vice-Pres., Mrs. J. Waltrous; Chaplain, Mrs. G. J. Crowell; Treasurer, Mrs. Palmer; Conductor, Mrs. L. Winans; Guard, Mrs. D. Burchard.

Chelsea Lodge, No. 67, A. O. U. W. elected officers last Monday night as follows: Master Workman, Geo. Ward; Past Master Workman, Wm. Bury; Foreman, J. Bacon; Overseer, Steinbach; Recorder, D. B. Taylor; Financier, C. E. Babcock; Treasurer, H. S. Holmes; Guide, E. D. Lane; I. W., F. Staffan; O. W., G. Hutzler; Trustee, Wm. Martin, Med. Ex., R. McColligan; Representative, D. B. Taylor; Al. Rep., H. S. Holmes.

The market has been active the past week, but prices on wheat at least have not held their own. Wheat now stands at 65c for red or white, barley dull and little doing at \$1.15 for the best, oats wanted at 34c, clover \$7, beans \$1.40, rye 48c, buckwheat 50c, dressed hogs \$7.40, turkeys 10c, chickens 7c, eggs 23c, butter 20c. Immense receipts in the northwest and accumulating stocks are depressing the wheat market. There is no prospect of any thing, but decline before next spring and it may be very little better then.

The Michigan Central will sell round trip excursion tickets to all points on connecting lines in the state of Michigan, at the rate of one and one-third first-class fair for round trip, excepting that no such tickets will be sold locally between points on the Toledo Division of the Michigan Central and that 50 cents will be added to the above rate to points on the D. S. S. & A railway in Michigan. Tickets will be on sale December 24, 25, 26 and 31, and January 1 and 2; good on those dates only and to return not later than January 3, 1893.

PERSONAL.

Mrs. W. J. Knapp was the guest of friends in Ypsilanti, the first of the week.

Steven Chase, of Kalamazoo, is spending the vacation with relatives in this place.

Mrs. J. H. Osborne, of Ewen, is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Noyes.

Miss Maggie Gates spent Wednesday in Ann Arbor.

Miss Tressa Staffan was in Ann Arbor Wednesday.

Roland Waltrous is the guest of Jackson friends.

Mrs. T. E. Wood visited friends in Ypsilanti this week.

Burt Sparks was a Jackson visitor the first of the week.

Misses May and Mae Wood were Ann Arbor visitors Wednesday.

Than Laird, of Kalamazoo, is the guest of his parents at this place.

Mrs. Geo. W. Turnbull visited friends in Ann Arbor Wednesday.

Miss Jean Whitcomb, of Albion, is the guest of her parents Rev. and Mrs. W. Whitcomb.

F. D. Cummings, who has been in Dever, Col., for about a year, returned to Chelsea Friday last.

Mrs. Hugh McCall and daughter Belle, of Lima, are spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Beach.

CHURCH CORNER.

Christmas tree at Methodist church on Monday evening.

Christmas exercises will be observed at the Lutheran church Sunday evening.

The Congregational society will celebrate Christmas on Saturday evening.

"The Song of the Angels" is the theme for evening sermon, at Methodist church, next Sunday evening.

The dedication of the new Lutheran church took place Sunday last with appropriate services. The society has a church of which they can well feel proud.

At the Baptist church Sabbath morning, Christmas sermon will be given: Theme—Christ the world's star of hope.—Matt. 2:10

The ladies of St. Mary's parish will provide their annual supper and Christmas tree for the children at the town hall, Wednesday evening, December 28th.

Rev. L. P. Davis, Presiding Elder of Ann Arbor, will conduct Quarterly Meeting Services in Methodist church, next Sunday morning. Business meeting on Saturday night at 7:30.

Monday evening, the 26th, Christmas services of the Baptist Sunday School will be held. The school give instead of receive, and will send the gifts to the Children's Free Hospital in Detroit.

To ask a minister to announce meetings which conflict with services of his church, is to ask him to "give himself away." He should never be expected to do so. This thoughtless imposition upon the courtesy of the pulpit, is too often committed. It is much like asking a merchant to advertise the goods of his competitor.

Miss Wright, a returned missionary from Mersovan, Kurkey, spoke in the Cong'l church last Tuesday. She is a most interesting speaker and has a story to tell which cannot fail to interest. Her report of results of work in Turkey was certainly encouraging. She cautioned us not to suppose that all the work done is reported. The conditions there are such that it will not do to report too widely some of the best results. The Turkish government watches our leading newspapers and is thus enabled to make more systematic persecution. To avoid this much of the best work is not reported. A collection of over five dollars was given to Miss Wright.

SCHOOL NOTES.

Vacation next week.

Miss Jennie Taylor is absent this week.

School will not open until the 3d of January.

It looks as if vacation for the book-keeping class would be short.

Mrs. Hill and Mrs. M. Boyd were high school visitors last week.

Wanted—An assistant to answer questions after an examination.

Rev. W. W. Whitcomb attended Chapel exercises Thursday morning.

The pupils of the high school are willing to match their Preceptress against any other in Michigan, in choosing hard examination questions.

Consternation was produced in the different rooms last week Thursday, by the smell of smoke, but upon investigation, it was found to be nothing but the janitor's coat on fire.

If the papas and mammas of our merry school boys could witness the game of "pulling the post" indulged in by said merry youngsters, they would not at all wonder at the early decay of hats and caps.

As was noticed in last week's edition the demise of the A. H. S. is an established fact; but they have decided to re-organize under the name of the A. A. A. It is thought that the new society will be very much more popular among the young ladies than was the old one.

Mrs. Eliza Logan Guthrie

Died, December 12, 1892, at her home, west of this place.

Mrs. Guthrie was born in Antrim county, Ireland, May 29, 1817. She became a member of the Presbyterian church at the age of fifteen, and at the age of twenty emigrated to America, settling in Detroit. Two years later she was married to John Guthrie at Detroit, they at once making their home in Sylvan, where she has since resided.

She was the mother of nine children, of whom all but three are living.

The funeral was held Sunday, December 18th, at 2 p. m. at Sylvan Centre, Rev. O. C. Bailey officiating.

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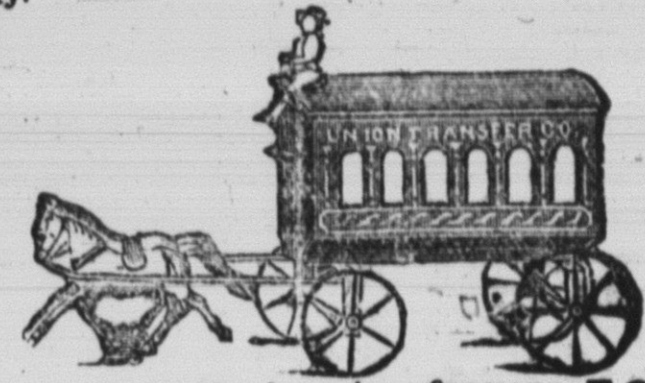
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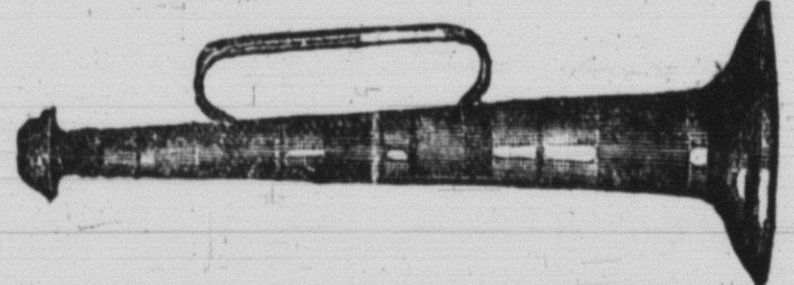
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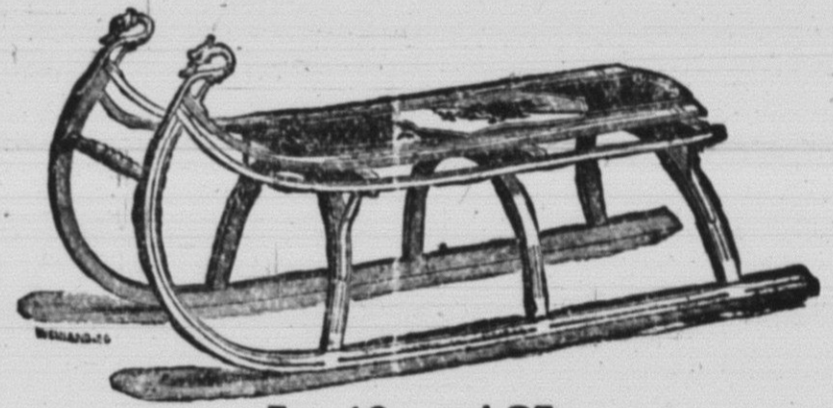
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Watches and Clocks.

A Great Reduction in Clocks and Watches for the next ten days.

Prices that will pay you to investigate. All goods warranted the best, and the best is the cheapest in the long run.

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NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES.

Waterloo
Special Correspondence.
Dr. Sherman was kicked by a cow Monday.
Fred Artz and Don Beeman killed a fox Monday.
Mrs. Robert Howlett has been quite ill, but is now improving.
The U. B. Sunday School have postponed their snow-house and Christmas exercises until Monday night.
Married, at the residence of the bride's parents in Waterloo, Wednesday December 21, Dennis Leach, of Chelsea, to Pauline Archenbronn. The wedding was largely attended by relatives and friends. The happy couple will make their home in Chelsea.

North Lake.
Special Correspondence.
Geo. Reade Jr. was in Green Oak last Saturday.
B. H. Glenn was in Putnam one day last week.
Mr. Geo. Burkhart, of Perry, is visiting relatives here.
Mr. J. Webb, of Uradilla, visited at this place last Friday.
Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Glenn, of Henrietta, attended the Isham-Wood wedding last week.
Miss Mattie Glenn spent part of last week with her sisters, Mrs. F. E. Pearse, of Dexter.

Michael Reilly, Sr., one of the oldest residents of the township of Dexter, died Wednesday morning, Dec. 14, 1892, at the residence of his daughter Miss Taylor. Funeral services were held Friday morning.
There was considerable excitement last Friday afternoon at the shooting match, as the losing side was destined to pay for the oysters for the winner. The score was somewhat varied, ranging from 6 to 34 out of a possible 36. The supper in the evening was largely attended by those not connected with the match and was a success, financially, and socially.

One of the pleasant events of the season was the marriage of Miss Clara B. Wood to Mr. B. H. Isham Thursday Dec. 15, 1892, at the residence of the bride's parents Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Wood, Rev. C. England officiating. The happy couple were the recipients of many beautiful and appropriate presents. The groom's parents Mr. and Mrs. H. Isham gave a reception in honor of the young couple Saturday, Dec. 17. Mr. and Mrs. Isham have the congratulations and best wishes of the entire community.

Advertised Letters.

The following is the list of letters remaining unclaimed in the postoffice December 19, 1892.
E. J. Johnson(2) L. M. Putnam
Wm. Judson, P. M.
Report of school in District No. 7, Sylvan for the month ending Nov., No. enrolled 34, attending every day Chaucey Freeman, Lena and Clara Merkle, Emma, Paulina and Willie Bohnet, Clifford Wortley, Oscar, Joseph and Lydia Laubengayer, Jimmie and Oliver Killam. Standing 100 Florence Killam, 95 Jimmie Killam, 90 Chaucey Freeman, 85 Thomas Valé, Bessie Faulkner, Oscar Laubengayer and Willie Bohnet.
Mis. L. A. STEPHENS, Teacher.

Report of Sylvan Center school for month ending Dec. 9th. Whole number enrolled 32. Average attendance 29.
Roll of Honor.

Herman Dancer Emmett Dancer
George Hatley Fred Hatley
Bert Kellogg Lewis Kellogg
Harman Fahner Edith Ludlow
Ellie Ludlow
IRA GLOVER, Teacher.

For Sale—A farm of forty acres with new house nicely located; \$500 down, balance, \$700, on long time. Enquire of Lynn L. Gorton, Waterloo store.

True Professional Courtesy.



"Doctor, my little boy is in a very critical state, and I am satisfied that Dr. Probe, who is now attending him, doesn't understand the case. I wish you would come right over and see the boy."
"I don't see how I can do it. Probe and I were old friends, and in these matters of professional courtesy we have to be mighty careful."
"But great heavens, man, if you don't come the boy may die!"
"That's just the point. Suppose I should save the boy. Why, Probe would never forgive me."—Life.

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THE BEST ON EARTH.
I've got 'em. Coal Stoves, Wood Stoves, Heating Stoves, Cook Stoves. All sizes, large and small, and at prices that will suit all who are in need of these goods. I mean just what I say. These stoves as well as all my other goods were bought for cash, and I am in a position to make prices that no one can undersell. I will not be undersold. Bear this in mind when in need of goods in my line and I will guarantee you satisfaction in every instance. Thanking all for past favors, I respectfully solicit a share of your future patronage.
C. E. WHITAKER.

Presents for Mr. Gladstone.

Some of the golden wedding presents in Hawarden castle are curious. There are half a dozen golden miniature axes, with various inscriptions on the blades. One ax in silver, made to serve as a pencil case, caught my fancy. It was a present from the Princess of Wales, and had on the blade the facetious observation, "For axing questions." There is a close intimacy between her royal highness and Mr. Gladstone.

There are some wonderful presents of jewelry from the shah of Persia and others. On a prominent table rests a large solid gold double inkstand from the Prince of Wales, but perhaps the little gold model of an afternoon tea service from a few workmen is testimony as strong of a desire that this political king may "live for ever."
Mr. Drew says that the illumination and labor put into the addresses which Mr. Gladstone has had in his life, and which are now scattered all over Hawarden castle, must represent a sum of £5,000.—Pall Mall Gazette.

The Poet's Remark to the Lion Hunters.
Fresh interest is revived in the old anecdotes of Lord Tennyson, and among them is one told of a lady of the genus "lion hunter" indigenous to English soil. She lived not far from one of Tennyson's country homes, and after pestering the poet with invitations to luncheon and dinner for months, she finally prevailed upon him to come and meet a party of friends who were "dying to know him." During the meal, while the hostess and friends stared at him and listened curiously for his words, the poet maintained a rigid silence, until, when nearly at the close, suddenly he looked about the table and said with great gravity, "I like my mutton cut in chunks." Whether the guests penetrated the sarcasm or not remains to be told.—New York Sun.

Old, but as Good as New.

When I behold a fashionable table, set out in all its magnificence, I fancy I see gout and dropsies, fancies and lethargies, with other innumerable distempers, lying in ambush among the dishes. Nature delights in the most plain and simple diet. Every animal but man keeps to one dish. Herbs are the food of this species, fish of that and flesh of a third. Man feeds upon everything that comes in his way. Not the smallest food or excrescence of earth, scarce a berry or mushroom, can escape him.—Addison.

Rupture Cured.

Dr. Miller, Rupture Specialist, of the O. E. Miller Rupture Treatment Co., Detroit, received decided encouragement during his visit to Jackson in October, and he wishes us to announce that here after he will spend one week out of every eight in that city for the benefit of patients and others who desire consulting him. The doctor's first visit of '93 (to Jackson) will begin Monday morning January 2nd and close Saturday night January 7th, during which time he will occupy the parlors in the Hurd House. The Miller Co. give written guarantee to effect an absolute and permanent cure, in every case treated, or receive no pay for services. Age, sex, occupation, kind of rupture or length of time ruptured is no hinderance to the treatment or cure. Patients are not subjected to any surgical operation, nor obliged to quit their regular work. Personal examination by Dr. Miller (which costs nothing) will determine all. If you cannot call, write to The O. E. Miller Co., 102-106 Michigan Ave, Detroit, Mich. for Illustrated Pamphlet, Michigan references and full information.
Note.—Dr. Miller is in Ann Arbor (Cook House) from December 22nd to 29th.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, COUNTY OF WASHINGTON, s. s. Notice is hereby given, that by order of the Probate Court for the County of Washington, made on the 12th day of Dec. A. D. 1892, six months from that date were allowed for creditors to present their claims against the estate of Abi Spaulding, late of said County, deceased, and that all creditors of said deceased are required to present their claims to said Probate Court, at the Probate Office in the city of Ann Arbor, for examination and allowance, on or before the 12th day of June, next, and that such claims will be heard before said Court, on the 13th day of March, and on the 12th day of June next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon of each said day. Dated Ann Arbor, Dec. 12, A. D. 1892. J. WILLARD BABBITT, Judge of Probate.

MICHIGAN CENTRAL

The Niagara Falls Route.
EAST—5:02, 7:28, 10:13 A.M. 3:52, P.M.
WEST—10:10, A. M. 6:17, 9:43 P. M.

TWO SIDES TO A STORY.
We are speaking in regard to the story of the Bank Drug Store.
"The Old, Old Story"
in fact, for it is on the lips of everyone that trades there. This story, like others, has two sides to it, and it will pay you well to consider them both.
THE FIRST SIDE.
This in regard to the quality of goods sold there.
GOOD QUALITY OUR FIRST CONSIDERATION.
Everything is guaranteed strictly fresh and pure. Our low prices do not, by any means, indicate impure stock.
THE OTHER SIDE.
This side is soon told. It is in regard to our prices, and is being told every day by the crowds who flock to Glazier's.
We are Lower than the Lowest.
Best Columbia river salmon 15c per can
Good Alaska Salmon 12c.
Best can baking powder, 20c per lb.
Arm and Hammer brand soda 6c per lb.
Banner smoking tobacco 16c per lb.
2lb cans sugar corn 10c per can.
3lb cans tomatoes, 10c "
Sardines in oil 5c per can.
23 boxes matches 300 to box 25c.
6 doz clothes pins, 5c.
Rising Sun Stove polish, 5c per pkg.
25 lbs sulphur \$1.00.
Standard Oysters, 18c per can.
Select Oysters 23c per can.
Dates 8c per pound.
Peanuts 8c per pound.
19 lbs granulated sugar for \$1.00.
4 lbs V. and C. crackers for 25c.
Best Dried Beef, 7c per lb.
Verily, merrily, more and more,
It pays to trade at
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While we have done most of the Cloak trade in helsea this fall we want to do it all, and shall therefore make extra prices for a short time on our entire stock of Cloaks in Ladies', Misses' and Children's.
DON'T MISS THIS SALE.
We are making special prices in all goods for this sale. Don't miss it.
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CHAPTER X. DEAD OR ALIVE?

Ghostly fell the snow! Like a curtain, a shroud, it had closed about the devoted form of Edna Deane...

"Ho, there, my dear!" sang out the old, great-hearted old fellow, as he lifted up a huge snowball and sent it six feet away...

"You are the lady who sent for me?" "Yes, Doctor," responded Beatrice. "You are ill—some friend—"

"You will be accused of forgery." "Which I never committed!" cried the Colonel. "You believe me?"

"I can't understand how you come to have so much money," he began. "Don't try to," interrupted Beatrice, impatiently. "Briefly, I have come into possession of several thousand dollars."

"Trust me for that." "Next, you are to obey me implicitly." "With such pay for my services, I am your slave!"

"The ball set in motion—oh! with a trusted ally and unlimited wealth, I cannot fail in the scheme I have adopted." She counted the hours until late in the afternoon. Her face underwent vivid changes of color and expression...

"He returned home this morning." "From where?" "From a fruitless, heartbroken quest for that girl he was spoony on at the seminary—the one who disappeared so mysteriously."

seminary—the one who disappeared so mysteriously. "Edna Deane, you mean?" "Yes; that's the name. He's been searching for her everywhere, neglecting business, growing so thin and pale that they say he is fast breaking down."

"You need not tell me more," interrupted Beatrice, impatiently. "I know more than you do, probably, about that. At the lawyer's office?" she continued, arising and putting on her wraps.

"He shall be mine! Wealth is nothing without him," she had told herself, and forthwith she set herself at work to consummate her designs. She had money—that could buy information, co-operation. She had an ally in reserve, and after remaining in her room to rest until noon, she dispatched a messenger for Dr. Raphael Simms.

"I am very sorry, Colonel Marshall, but I have my orders to act." "You can defer action." "I would violate my duty to my clients if I deferred it a day longer."

"You are right," he murmured in a hollow, broken tone of deep despair. "My personal indebtedness does not worry me. I should never have been called upon to bear it, for I never personally contracted a dollar of it."

"But I have explained to you! That scoundrel of a partner of mine drew out of the firm a few months since on the pretense of ill-health. He took nearly all the real cash, and not until after he had got safe in a foreign land did I learn that at the alleged valuable assets he had left as my share of the business were only waste paper."

"Can you not take them up?" insinuated the lawyer. "Impossible! I have vainly tried to borrow. My son, a dependence usually, has lost all interest in business and wanders about half-crazed over the disappearance of a heartless jilt."

"I am accused of uttering them." "Can you not take them up?" insinuated the lawyer. "Impossible! I have vainly tried to borrow. My son, a dependence usually, has lost all interest in business and wanders about half-crazed over the disappearance of a heartless jilt."

"The British consul at Mogador, while on an excursion inland, about a day's journey from Mogador, met flights of locusts. He says it was an astonishing and interesting though painful sight, the air being in some parts so thick with them that they formed a dense living brown fog, through which he could hardly find his way, while they so completely covered the ground that the utmost caution was necessary in walking, as he could not tell whether he was treading on soft sand, hard, slippery rock, or what."

"The pulley-drawn cross-bow had a range of forty rods." "FRANCIS I. had a suit of armor inlaid with gold and jewels." "PROJECTING engines were first invented by the Greeks."

"He returned home this morning." "From where?" "From a fruitless, heartbroken quest for that girl he was spoony on at the seminary—the one who disappeared so mysteriously."

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

SERIOUS SUBJECTS CAREFULLY CONSIDERED.

A Scholarly Exposition of the Lesson—Thoughts Worthy of Calm Reflection—Half an Hour's Study of the Scriptures—Time Well Spent.

The Birth of Christ. The lesson for Sunday, Dec. 25, may be found in Luke ii. 8-20.

We close with this the lessons of 1892. Next year the International Series comes back again into the Old Testament and, this time, to the period of the minor prophets, beginning with Ezra i. 1-11.—Returning from Captivity. We give below a few notes on the lesson:

Christ is the true Christmas gift. Tell of Christ to others; that is good Christmas giving.

Or do as the shepherds did—make it known abroad. Go with the good news or give money to send others.

It is to humble shepherds that angels must resign the work they longed themselves to perform. God calls his chosen messengers from the lowliest.

But they were faithful in their sphere; they were keeping watch. Has God given you a humble charge? Keep it well. To such God says, for higher employ: "Thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things."

But if God gives you something better to do, arise and do it. He will look after the work you leave behind. Those sheep on the Bethlehem hillside had angel wardens in the shepherds' absence. God will take care of the boats and nets; he has some one else for them. Leave all, and follow Jesus.

Take it personally: "Unto you is born, this day, in the city of David, a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord." This day. Happy, happy Christmas morn, if it bring to you a Saviour. But, perhaps, you already know him; then know him better, have larger faith in him.

May the Church of Jesus Christ behold anew the Son of God, and write its heavenly name clearer, stronger. A larger Christ is the need of the age. George Herron is right about it. Every true conversion is only the beginning of the soul's discovery of the Saviour.

And after the vision, what then? Mary kept all these things, and pondered them in her heart. Too many of us look and listen, and then forget; too few keep and ponder. But see the shepherds. They returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, as it was told them.

That is they lived up to their lights. So great with many of us is the difference and distance between the light we have seen and the life we live. Great light, little enthusiasm; pure light, crooked walk; searching light, half-hearted consecration.

What is the matter with the Christians to-day that with so many of them there is slack joy, light fruit? This brother pastor, full of faith and good works, answers for us: "Too many get no farther than the first glimpse of Jesus. Failing to act upon the whole truth given them, content simply to be healed of past sins, they go their way half devoted, only half given to the Master. Constantly, as new occasions for consecration of gift and talent arise unimproved, they keep falling behind, falling behind; until, presently, there really seems to be more that is devoted to self than there is devoted to Christ."

Is it a happy life to lead? Nay, it is wretched. Come, then, back to the place we started. "Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us."

Fighting Without Firearms. The mediæval lance was 18 feet. The Swiss pike was 18 feet long. The Greek pike was 24 feet long. The Roman javelin was 6 feet long. The petrary was a mediæval catapult. Plate armor was used from 1410 to 1600.

The rabbin say Cair killed Able with a club. The standard Roman sword was 22 inches. The helmet of Richard I. weighs 25 pounds.

DAVID slew Goliath with a sling stone, B. C. 1073. The first armor used was of skins and padded hides. The military flail came into use in the tenth century.

The cross-bow came into use in the twelfth century. GERMAN helmets were ornamented with cow-horns. The French infantry were armed with the pike until 1640.

The pulley-drawn cross-bow had a range of forty rods. FRANCIS I. had a suit of armor inlaid with gold and jewels. PROJECTING engines were first invented by the Greeks.

VISORED helmets were worn by the heavy Roman cavalry. MIXED chain and plate armor was used from 1300 to 1410. SPEARS are found in the earliest hieroglyphics of Egypt.

The quarrels thrown by cross-bows often weighed 6 pounds. SWORDS were manufactured in England in the fifth century. DAMASCUS blades were famous all over the world B. C. 500.

THE Norman armor had breeches and jacket in the same piece.

MICHIGAN STATE NEWS

OCCURRENCES DURING THE PAST WEEK.

New Way to Pay Church Debts—A Fatal Fit—Crops in the State—Diphtheria Scare at Bay City and Alpena.

From Far and Near. KINROSS, near the Sault, is to have a post-office. CHARLEVOIX people want an electric light plant.

SAGINAW'S Y. M. C. A. is figuring on erecting a large new home. THE Michigan Central's new depot at West Bay City is opened to the public. JOHN SAMPSON, of Iron Mountain, got six months in prison for stabbing a companion.

FREDDIE FREDRICKSON, of Gladstone, leads this year's list of drowning while skating. OWING to the prevalence of diphtheria all schools west of the river have been closed at Alpena.

JAMES JORDAN, a Saginaw butcher, was arrested on a charge of using bad weights and scales. THE grocery store of Colin D. McKenzie, at Alpena, was burned, together with the stock of goods.

A SMALL son of John Snell, of Rea, was severely cut about the head by an ugly ram. His recovery is doubtful. A 5-YEAR-OLD Finnish boy, with an unpronounceable name, was run over and killed by a train near Newberry.

THE C. & N. W. Road paid \$2,300 to Mrs. Frank Derouin, of Escanaba, whose husband was last spring killed by a train. It is reported by good authority that the Illinois Central will extend its line to the mining section of the Upper Peninsula.

DICKINSON COUNTY people will in all probability vote next spring on the question of bonding the county for a new jail. THE hunters of Schoolcraft County boast that in that section of the State it is impossible to convict a man of violating the game laws.

J. W. WRIGHT tried to jump an \$18 board bill at a Saginaw hotel. A marshal caught him at St. Louis. He was brought back, and settled. BAY CITY'S bridge commission has \$18,000 on hand. The Milwaukee Bridge Company and several of the concern's former employees are suing for it.

THE M. E. Society of Bad Axe cancelled a debt by raising 325 bushels of carrots on a small piece of land, donated by a member of the society. The elder and his parishioners did all the hoeing. CRAWFORD BROS.' minstrel troupe is in trouble. Charles Sears, head cornetist, is suing for wages said to be due him. He is a Pinconning boy and the troupe is at present playing in Michigan.

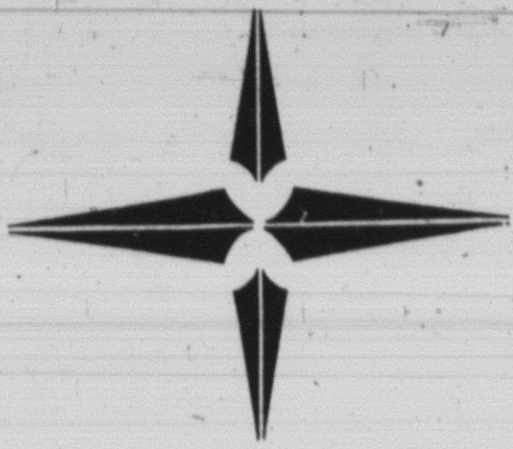
MT. CLEMENS tax-payers are considerably agitated over the announcement that every cent the charter will allow is down on the tax list this year. The citizens are wondering how future improvements can be provided for. THE West Bay City School Board held a protracted session over the diphtheria question. There was a lively debate, after which the Board authorized a committee to make an investigation, and gave it power to close the schools if deemed necessary.

ALTHOUGH but 600 people live in East Jordan, that village supports four dry-goods stores, eight groceries, six clothing stores, two hardware stores, three drug stores and four saloons. She has four churches, all of which have a hard struggle for existence, but she thinks she could support another saloon. WHILE on the witness-stand at Saginaw one time, Charles A. Gabel was continually being warned by a certain attorney to tell nothing of which he was not absolutely sure. Soon after the same attorney asked him where he was born. Charles replied that he didn't know, as all his information on that point was merely hearsay.

ACCORDING to the State crop report wheat has suffered badly from drought and insects, but has been slightly improved by late rains. The condition is 86 per cent as compared with 102 per cent in the same month in 1830 and 93 per cent in 1891. During November 1,296,059 bushels were marketed. The yield of corn is light. Stock is reported in good condition. Acres of wheat harvested in 1891, 1,509,412; bushels harvested, 27,900,148; average yield per acre, 18.48; acres of wheat in May, 1892, 1,608,241; acres of corn raised in 1891, 824,458; bushels of ears raised, 45,031,400; acres of oats raised in 1892, 822; bushels, 29,495,331.

A YOUNG child of George Michael, of Oronoke, was dangerously scalded by upsetting a pot of boiling coffee. WILL AND ELBE METTS, of Weldon, are the champion deer slayers of Benzie County. They have 350 to their record. It is rumored that a wealthy syndicate has purchased a number of idle mines in Keweenaw County and will soon operate them. J. HANSELL, of Ontonagon, by mistake took a big dose of carbolic acid. He burned his tongue and throat badly, but will pull through. G. C. SELDEN, of Clarkson, poured cold water into boiling soap. An explosion followed and the man was badly burned about the face. COL. A. T. BLISS, of Saginaw, has sold 13,000 acres of Midland County hardwood land to Holcomb & Co., of Ohio. They will operate a mill at Coleman and cut the timber. CHEBOYGAN laboring men possess dignity by the bushel. The Superintendent of the street railway couldn't find a man willing to shovel snow off the track, so he had to do it himself. AN Austrian named Melesque was clubbed severely and robbed of \$42 by two unknown men at Pembine. When found he was almost frozen to death, and it was necessary to amputate both of his legs.

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