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Number left for all causes...... 16 Nina Schnaitman Number of re-entries..... 12 Number belonging at end of month. 866 Aggregate tardiness..... 57 Number of non-resident pupils..... 88

Number of pupils not absent or tardy 198 L. A. McDiarmid, Supt.

HIGH SCHOOL

Edith Boyd Warren Boyd Percy Brooks Vail Burton Elvira Clark Lulu Speer Ethel Cole Floyd Ward Phil Steger Frank Fenn Helena Steinbach Ella Nickerson Chauncey Freeman Lillie Wackenhut Lula Girdwood Thirza Wallace Carrie Goodrich Henry Wood Helen Hepfer May Wood Ward Morton Florence Martin

Leigh Palmer V. Riemenschneider Paul Schaible Minnie Schumacher Henry Speer.

Orley Wood

Earl Foster.

Bert Kellogg

Faye Palmer

NINTH GRADE. Wortie Bacon Leonard Beissel Arthur Easterle Earl Finkbiner May Havens

Ralph Helmes

Myrta Irwin

Fred Johnson

Don McColl

Mabel Brooks John Drislane Chas. Finkbiner Austin Gray Eva Lewick Evelyn Miller Linna Runciman Alice Savage Nellie Savage Lucy Skinner Bessie Winans Bernard Miller Anna Buchanan Fred Feldcamp

FLORENCE BACHMAN, Teacher. SEVENTH AND EIGHTH GRADES. Howard Armstrong Rha Alexander Zoe BeGole Luella Buchanan Ettie Beach Nettie Beach Lillie Blaich Edith Drury Helen Eder Josie Foster Warren Geddes Myrta Guerin Vera Glazier Enid Holmes Minnie Heber Louise Heber

Walter Kantlehner Grace McKernan Nellie McKernan Chas. Moore Edger Steinbach Emily Steincach Bertie Steinbach B. Schwikerath M. Schwikerath Geo. Speer Annie Zulke Rosa Zulke

Louis Stevenson Arthur Edmunds MINNIE A. HOSNER, Teacher.

SIXTH GRADE. **Eddie Tomlinson** Howard Holmes Dora Schnaitman Geo. Eisele

Cone Lighthall Leon Kempf Milton Girdwood Helen Burg Liela Geddes Arthur Raftrey Rudolph Kanthlener Herbert Schenk Harry Foster Bollen Schenk Ernest Cooke Rudolph Knapp Leland Foster Oscar Cummer Homer Townsend Dwight Miller Cora Stedman Oscar Barrus

> Christina Kalmbach MATIE C. STAPISH, Teacher.

Arthur Armstrong George Bacon Anna Eisele Howard Boyd Florence Eisenman Harold Glagier George Keenan Ethel Girdwood Viola Lemmon Otta Lane Daisy Potter Mamie Snyder Mina Steger

Clarence Edmunds Annice Barrus Susie Gilbert ELIZABETH DEPEW, Teacher.

FOURTH GRADE,

Augusta Bahnmiller Paul Bacon Lee Chandler Joseph Eisele Veva Hummel Erma Hunter Rolland Hummel Julia Kalmbach Hazel Lane Austin Keenan Esther Selfe Guy McNamara Harry Taylor Bertie Snyder Margurite Bacon Elmer Winans Ernest Edmunds

H. DORA HARRINGTON, Teacher.

THIRD GRADE. Millie Atkinson Flora Atkinson Nellie Ackerson T. Bahnmiller Charles Bates Grace Bacon Edna Glazier Ella Bagge Leon Graham Jennie Geddes Josie Heselschwei dt F. Heselschwerdt Ida Mast Bessie Kempf

Homer Lighthall Hazel Nelson Albert Steinbach Mabel Raftrey Roy Williams Hazel Speer

Louise Laemmle MARY A. VANTYNE, Teacher.

SECOND GRADE. Emma Beeler Minnie Bagge Lizzia kisele Don Curtis Adeline Kalmbach Mable Elsenman Beryl McNamara Harlow Lemmon Margretta Martin Meryl Prudden Otto Schwikerath Erma Sparks

EMPLIE NEUBERGER, Teacher.

Gerald Hoefler Lynn Stedman Reynolds Bacon Margaret Eder Paul Martin Harold Pierce Roy Quinn Don Rodell Edna Raftrey Cora Schmidt

Eva Sharp LOUELLA S. TOWNSEND, Teacher.

A Family Incident.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Everett, an elderly couple from Chelsea, Mich., are making a family visit in Marion, the first of their lives, and are are at present guests of W B. Everett. The visiting Mr. Everett is dict of the bicycle clubs, a relative of the Marion Everetts, Harvey's and others, and oddly enough only recently got track of the Marion branch tle reminiscense.

Long years ago, way back in 1835, two above and the other the grandfather of ficial reports of the present month we and they promised to keep track of each other and their families, but by some means, in the difficult communication of early days, the trace was again lost. Only recently, after the lapse of half a century, did the descendents of the strangely-met brothers again come together, and the proof of relationship was fully established by the tradition in each family of the highway meeting in Michigan. W. B. Everett and his elderly guest met by good fortune, in Michigan, and the visit to Marion of the elder Everett and his esteemed wife is the result,-Marlon (O.) Daily Star.

Good Roads.

The following paper on good roads was read by Nathan Pierce before the Farmers' institute, held here recently:

When the farmers of Michigan were nauling their produce to Detroit for market, the territorial road near here was lined with teams from Marshall, Albion Jackson and Grass Lake, loaded with flour and grain for that market to load back with goods for the stores. These long lines of heavy traffic would seem to require good hard and costly roads. But now when our state is gridironed with railroads our markets are brought near our doors. We have a network of cross lines of highways running from one railroad to another so close together there is but little travel on any till near the village or city. We are hearing the call for "good roads." From a careful estimate I think the farmers of Washtenaw county on an average have less than three miles to haul to market, and yet we are told that thousands of dollars can be saved to the farmers annually by building stone roads; by having men that know how to build roads, and build them scientifically; that teams can haul double the load and the roads will last for all time. The township of Lima, in which I live, has 67 miles of public highway, counting one-half of the town line roads. We have also about 140 tax-pay ers, assessed one day or over road work making one half mile of road to each taxpayers, to be built and kept in repair; often two or three miles to a gravel pit, If each man puts 10 or 12 days work annually on this road in repairs, it would make but a small show. Is this the reason we are accused of not working our road taxes, etc., etc.?

The usual way the country editors put it is: "In a few weeks now the farmers will be getting together in the shade of the trees along the highway smoking and telting stories and having a good time generally and calling it working on the road." For nearly 20 years my road tax has been in five districts. I have personally worked in all the districts often, and watched the work of each man. I believe men will work on the road as they trial. do on their farms, nearly all doing good

slighting it. Not many years ago a mechanic came had never worked on a farm, but had a a farmer had to raise his crops before he roads. could market them.

part of the whole work, After 33 years and the man of science continually farming, and this work has

In this country there is spent thousands yes, millions of dollars in making race tracks. All devices have been tried to make them the best, the fastest. Can anyone in this room tell me of one that is macadimized or graveled. They seem to prefer the natural earth, fine, springy, packed on the surface. Is there not some good horsemen about these places? As good as anywhere, and good horses, as in the world? If these horsemen will not put these horses on a stone or gravel road, there is some good reason for it, and that reason is they have got a better road. Whose judgment will you follow, these expert horsemen, or the ver-

The loaded wagons are a small per cent in the traffic of most of our roads.

We are often told of the fine roads in of the family. And thereby hangs a lit- France. I have here the United States counsular report to the roads of that country, that I will read from. First, as to men, one driving a drove of hogs and the cost of building Commercial Agent the other a herd of cattle, overtook each Loomis says, "macadamizing is the rule other on the highway, up in Michigan of construction." Keeping in mind that and naturally drifted to conversation. It a kilometer is six tenths of a mile we was soon revealed to their delight that learn that the average cost of building a they were brothers, who had not seen road per kilometer is \$6,000 the valley each other since the beginning of the roads costing about \$4,000, the mouncentury. One of these men was the fath- tain roads \$9,000; this would make the er of the Mr. Jay Everett mentioned cost about \$11,000 per mile. From of-W. B. Everett, who so long resided here. learn that Massachusetts paid about \$10, The brothers' reunion was very happy | 000 per mile in their experimental work

> Consul Loomis, as to wages, says; "The to cheapness in labor, an ordinary laborer getting 58c per day, a man and horse \$1.55 per day, a foreman \$20 per month, a supervisor \$600 per year, an engineer \$1,000, and a head engineer \$2,000 per Consul Knowles, of Bordeaux, says:

> "It is only fair to note that the superiority of the French over our own roads is largely due to trifling damage done by frost in France compared with that which almost destroys our roads every year. Mention has already been made of the fact that the seven inch coating of broken stone forming the body of the French roads have a bearing surface of sand, clay or soil, but such constructions as O. F. Williams, of Havre, notes would neither withstand the sharp pressure of loaded wagons having narrow tires nor the upheaval of usual frosts of the North American winter. Mr. Williams even thinks that American pavements are very much better constructed than those of France all classes being considered; but they become destoryed in a short time while those of France increase in excelence with age," and besides her broader tires and greater immnuities from frost, A leading element in the superiority in France is that all roads have perpetual attention there. When a rut appears it is instantly filled and most carefully repaired.

The difference between that system and ours is very marked? Yes, I should say so. If the 67 miles of road in my town was all macadamized, and we should put as many men per mile for repairs as in France we should have to import a number, as there is not voters enough in township to go around.

As to tires Consul Knowles well makes this observation: "Every freighting and market cart here is a road maker; its tire is from three to ten inches in width, usually from four to six, and so rolls the road. With the four wheeled freight wagon used the tires are rarely less than six inches, and the rear axle is about 14 inches longer than the fore, so that the rear or hind wheels run in a line about one inch outside of the line rolled by the fore wheels, thus with a six inch tire two feet of road width is well rolled by every passing wagon; the varied gage is observed also with cabs and hacks and other four-wheeled vehicles, so that they are all road makers instead of rut makers, as in our country.

Now, Mr. President, if we have to use wide tires on stone roads to keep from tearing them up after all this enormous expense in building them, why not try the wide tires first and give them a fair

Central and southern Michigan, perand faithful work with no shirking or haps the whole state, with few exceptions is a very good soil for making roads, many times better than western prairies from a shop in my neghborhood. He or Jersey sand. Nearly every road district has different soils, the combining of son who had so worked. One summer which will make a hard, smooth surface: he succeeded fairly well, but in a few put them in shape with the road scraper, years came word the farm was sold, the and the wide tires will finish them. other property selling off. In answer to This will work, I know, if we can get rid many questions why he quit farming he of the rut-makers—those heavy loads on said that he had learned one thing—that narrow tires that always plows up the

If we fail in this then will be time for This time spent in marketing is a small the stone roads, the big taxes, the boodler

Consul Trail, of Marseilles, says the cost annually of maintaining the roads outcovered over 1,000 acres some of the side of the city in the Department des time, I am lead to believe that any farmer in this county can do his marketing in 10, days unless some special crop like on-roads in Washtenaw county were stone roads in fine condition with all wide tires ions or fruit or peddling. Cannot we find the cost of repairs at the same ratio to days of good roads during the year would be \$152,000 or four times the together this work.

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Disgusting Product of a Chicago Firm -Closing Chapter of Col. Crafton's Rule at Fort Sheridan-Spain Makes Concessions to Cuba,

desti-Extract from Horseflosh, Officers of the Chicago health departent are on the trail of a firm of stock yards packers who, it appears, have been putting on the market an imitation extract of beef made from horse flesh. Several days ago J. P. Smith & Co., South Water street commission dealers, complained to the health department of the existence of a bogus beef extract on the Chicago market, packed by a Chicago firm, which they believed contained nothing but the extract of horse flesh. A sample was obtained and sent to the city chemist to be analyzed. The city chemist reported to Commissioner Kerr that the sample examined was an extract made from horse flesh. Commissioner Kerr was in doubt as to how to proceed in the prosecution of the guilty persons and asked the corporation counsel for an opinion. The sample analyzed is labeled extract of beef and the name of the manufacturer is given as the "Liebig Fluid Beef Company, Union Stock Yards, Chicago." Commissioner Kerr said: "We are not sure that we have found the firm which has been handling the beef extract. A large quantity of the extract has undoubtedly been sold here, but we find difficulty in ascertaining just from where it came. We have several firms under suspicion, but cannot give any names at present. As soon as I am advised to proceed in the matter I will do

Sequel of Fort Sheridan Row. Col. Robert E. Crofton, Fifteenth Infantry, was arbitrarily retired Thursday by order of the President. It has been the desire of the War Department that this officer should leave the service and efforts have been made during the last two years to attain this end, first through intimations to the friends of Col. Crofton that his retirement would be granted if applied for, and, this failing, through the law which obliges an officer to retire if found physically unfit for service by a medical board. This last course was adopted about nine months ago, but also without success, the board finding that the officer was in good condition physically. Finally recourse has been had to the law which permits the President to retire an officer arbitrarily when he shall have reached 62 years of age. Col. Crofton passed this milestone last month, and the law has been applied to his case. This is a most unusual proceeding, the last instance of a forced retirement being in the case of Gen. Carr, who was forced out in order to permit of the promotion of officers below him in rank. Col. Crofton was in command of the Fifteenth Infantry while the organization was stationed at Fort Sheridan, near Chicago, and was, with or without just ground, held responsible for the many incidents in the history of the occupation of the post that furnished matter for the courts.

Reforms for Cuba.

The queen regent of Spain on Thursday signed the plan for the reforms in the island of Cuba. It is understood that the reforms consist chiefly in the creation of an assembly, to be called the council of administration. The council of administration is empowered, firstly, to prepare a budget; secondly, to examine into the fitness of officials appointed; thirdly, to make a tariff subject to the condition of Spanish imports having advantages over the general tariff. Other decrees concernthe organization of the provisional municipalities, which are to be liberally representative. The municipal councils general will be empowered to elect their presidents and will have exclusive control of public education. According to another decree the Government reserves to itself extraordinary powers in the event of any disturbance of public order and Cuba will continue to elect senators and deputies to the cores as at present. Altogether the reforms are much broader than those granted Porto Rico. The Spanish Government will continue to vote budgets and treaties for the colonies. The Spanish products, according to the reform scheme, will be allowed a rebate of 40 per cent of the Cuban tariff, compared with other imports.

NEWS NUGGETS.

The Nevada Senate has passed a woman suffrage bill.

The Czar of Russia is reported to have shown symptoms of epilepsy.

Dr. Whitehead, the alleged dynamiter who was driven insane through many years of detention in English prisons, escaped from the insane asylum at Amityville, S. I., Sunday night, and is still at

Early Wednesday morning the store of Frank Novak at Walford, Iowa, was burned. The proprietor slept in a room above and his body is supposed to be in the ruins. It is suspected that robbers may have burned the building to cover the crime of murder.

There died at the receiving hospital in San Francisco Tuesday a man who claimed to have been of royal birth. He gave the name of Eugene de Beauharnais, and said he was a descendant of Empress Josephine, the first wife of Napoleon. He also claimed to have been an officer in the Confederate army. He was arrested at San Diego on a charge of trying to obtain money under false pretenses. Death was caused by apoplexy.

Rev. Ned Forrest, of Anna, Ill., has been missing since Jan. 22, when he starred for Pittsfield to conduct a revival

President Cleveland says he will veto he new immigration bill because it is un-American and because it contains a clause aimed against Canada, which will cause that country to retaliate.

The handsome Arnold Block, at Amsterdam, N. Y., on East Main street, was burned Wednesday morning, causing a hose of \$75,000. The fire extended to the Yank and Parr blocks, which were badly damaged,

EASTERN.

During the early hours of Sunday morn-e-two fires occurred in Hobeken, N. J., the loss of seven lives. Many poor people were made homeless, and even had narrow escapes for their lives. The fires occurred in different parts of the city, and one of them at least is believed to have been of incendiary origin. The first fire started in the three-story frame building at 410 Newark street. There a mother and five children lost their lives. At the other fire a little girl was burned to death. The dead are? Mrs. Nellie Schoeder, 40 years old, wife of Charles Schoeder. Her children: Henry Schoeder, 11 years old; Kate Schoeder, 9 years old; Maggie Schoeder, 7 years old; John Schoeder, 3 years old; Willie Schoeder, 3 months old; Mabel Mangles. The second fire was at Nos. 153 to 159 14th street. It was there little Mabel Mangles perished. Her sister Florence was seriously burned, but is expected to recover.

The United States cruiser Brooklyn the latest pride of the navy, calculated to withstand the fiercest onslaught of shot and shell, now lies almost totally helpless because of a narrow ledge of sunken rock in the Delaware River above Marcus Hook. Pa., on which she struck heavily Sunday afternoon. Her lower double compartments forward were completely stove is, and it was only by the merest good fortune that the big vessel did not sink. This would undoubtedly have been the result had not her inner compartments successfully withstood the shock. As it was, she was pulled clear of the rocks, and is now tied to the big stone ice breakers at Marcus Hook, protected from the heavy ice gorges in mid-river. The big vessel is seriously damaged, and it is impossible to say when she will be able to go into active service. At present she is in no danger of further damage, being fully protected in the safe anchorage afforded by the ice breakers. How the accident occurred can only be established by a court of inquiry, and this Captain Cook of the Brooklyn has already asked for. There were two pilots aboard. In thirty-seven years Captain Cook has never before had an accident.

The bulls and bears of New York's Wall street had to stop their busy barter Friday when their narrow thoroughfare was invaded by two of the prettiest and pluckiest women on the American stage. These actresses for several hours tramped through the mire left by the blizzard to plead for the suffering poor of New York. Bianche Walsh was one of these beroines. The other was Amelia Bingham, whose husband comes of one of the oldest Knickerbocker families on Manhattan Island, and still has a fortune large enough to buy a goodly chunk of it. The young actresses met by appointment at the door of the Stock Exchange at noon to make a collection for the poor. Amid the screaming of a busy day the two beautiful women, gnzing down from the visitors' gallery, soon became the target of all eyes, and there was a lull in the seeming confusion on the floor. Henry Clews dropped a shining \$20 gold piece into the outstretched palm of Miss Walsh and got a bewitching smile in payment. Dollars and dimes went into the hats with a merry jingle. Miss Bingham made a pretty impromptu speech to ex-Gov. Roswell P. Flower in his office and he surrendered before she had half finished and handed out a crisp \$10 bill.

Fire broke out in the Senate wing of the Pennsylvania State Capitol at Harrisburg, and the fire department was unable to control the flames. The fire originated in the rooms of Lieut, Gov. Walter Lyon over the Senate chamber. It is supposed wire. The fire burned for several minutes before it was discovered. It had made such headway that little could be saved in the costly apartments of the Lieutenant Governor or across the hall in the rooms of 12e superintendent of public instruction. Schaffer, who was alone in his office when the fire was discovered. He did all he could to check the fire, but it was not in his power. All he saved were the appropriation books. Thousands of dollars' worth of records were lost. The flames had eaten their way through the Senate room before the fire department arrived. Part of the roof tumbled in before the water was started. Then the streams were so small that they had no effect on the flames. Soon the great dome was a mass of flames. This burned like shavings. The fire quickly communicated to the House side. The House was in session when the fire was discovered, and it quickly adjourned. Before the great dome fell one patriotic citizen crawled through the mass of flames and hauled down the flag. He was loudly cheered. Several men were injured by falling timber.

WESTERN.

D. T. Flynn, Oklahoma's delegate in Congress, makes formal announcement in a Guthrie paper of his candidacy for appointment as Governor of the territory.

Romulus Cotell, who killed Alvin Stone and wife and Ira Stillson at Talmadge. Ohio, last March, was allowed to plead guilty of murder in the second degree. Judge Kohler at once sentenced him to life imprisonment at hard labor. Cotell was found guilty in the first trial and was sentenced to be hanged Nov. 6.

Alva Ames, a carpenter at Rockford. Ill., who was arrested a short time ago on complaint of his 13-year-old daughter, was found dead in the county jail Monday morning. Public sentiment was so aroused that Ames was afraid of being lynched and committed suicide, forming his clothing into a noose and hanging himself to his

Thursday night two men rode up to Martin & Leaky's drug store at Lehigh, I. T., and at the point of Winchesters relieved Mr. Martin of \$600. Mr. Gomez, who carries on a small jewelry business in the drug store, was compelled to give up \$104. The robbers remounted their horses and rode to the woods. About thirty citizens are in pursuit.

At Guthrie, Ok., the Senate of the Territorial Legislature passed the bill to prohibit the making of gold contracts in Oklahoma. The measure received the full Populist vote and two Democratic votes. The House spent the afternoon listening to arguments in favor of woman suffrage by Mrs. Laura Johns of Kansas and near ly a score of local orators.

The "Tomboy" mine of Colorado was bought formally Friday by the Rothschilds of London. The price given was \$1,500,000. The purchasing agent was the Exploration Company of Lendon, which is the name of the mining branch of the Rothschilds' Investment Bureau. Within two years this same buyer has invested nearly \$150,000,000 in American mining property.

ed. The officers claim that the records of the meeting which ordered it are revolvers were purchased and paid for by the union and distributed among the members, some of whom were deputy sheriffs.

The dead body of Francis Wolf, who was suspected of the murder of Mrs. Sprinznik Saturday night, has been found in a room at San Francisco. He had shot himself. It is supposed that Wolf, after shooting the woman, fled from the scene, but despairing of escape, killed himself. Mrs. Sprinznik, a washerwoman, was shot while at work in her squalid quarters. She

her small earnings. The present Kansas City, Mo., police inrestigating commission is acting under a special and sweeping resolution to investigate Police Commissioners Byke and Johnson, the police department, the alleged political machines built up by Marcy K. Brown on the police power, public gambling, protection of gamblers and the alleged proposition of Chief of Police Henry S. Julian to County. Prosecutor Lowe to foster gambling and divide the profits. House committee, is expected to furnish seusational testimony.

prominent Grand Army organization in Leavenworth, Kan., has, with but five dissenting votes, adopted resolutions condemning Gov. Smith of the Soldiers' Home, which is now undergoing congressional investigation. The resolutions denounce him for "traducing the G. A. R.;" assert that his administration has been that of a tyrant, and declare that the future of the Western branch of the home and the comfort and happiness of its members demand the immediate removal by Congress of Gov. Smith.

At the session of the National Woman's Suffrage Association at Des Moines, Ia., the following officers were re-elected: President, Susan B. Anthony; vice-president-at-large, the Rev. Anna Howard Shaw, Philadelphia; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Rachel Foster Avery, Philadelphia. The question of enlarging the business committee by adding to it the chairmen of the five standing committees was defeated by a vote of 35 to 19, and nearly all the other recommendations of the plan-of-work committee, read by Mrs. Clara Bewick, Colby, chairman, went the

same way. Friday morning, at Cleveland, Willard Colton, 45 years old, shot and almost instantly killed his wife, Clarissa, aged 52, and shot himself in the head, dying in a short time. Colton was a traveling salesman for a Chicago shoe house and drank heavily at times, which led to frequent quarrels between himself and wife. The couple were married in 1892, both having een married before. Mrs. Colton was worth considerable property, being the owner of the spacious dwelling on Sibley street where the tragedy occurred. Colton, it is said, very much disliked Mrs. Hausch, his stepdaughter, and her presence in the house undoubtedly led to the quarrel and tragedy. It is believed that Mrs. Hausch would undoubtedly have been killed had she not escaped to the lower part of the house when the shooting began.

The north-bound overland train which left San Francisco Wednesday and was due at Portland, Ore., Friday morning was held up two miles west of Roseburg. Ore., early Friday morning. As soon as possible after the hold-up began Fireman to have been started by an electric light | Hendricks of the train crew slipped out of the engine and ran on to Roseburg and gave the alarm. Arming himself quickly, he started back to the scene of the trouble. Superintendent Fields of the Southern Pacific Road, who was at Roseburg, immediately took a posse of a dozen armed men and an engine and started for the scene. Heavy explosions of dynamite or powder were distinctly heard at Roseburg. During the progress of the hold-up the light of the burning train was seen. Fireman Hendricks said the train was first flagged by the highwaymen. The express car was then looted and burned and the safe blown open. No one was hurt, and the highwaymen succeeded in making their escape. The Henry Sears Company, wholesale

dealers in cutlery and hardware at Chicago, failed Monday. A statement was filed showing that the assets are \$80,000 and the liabilities about \$50,000. No cause is assigned for the failure, except the general one of business depression and the difficulty of making collections. The company is an old one, the business having been established twenty years ago by Henry Sears. Mr. Sears died about three years ago and since that time the affairs of the concern have been under the management of George W. Korn, secre tary of the corporation. During the World's Fair he enlarged its place of business by leasing the premises at 110 Wabash avenue at a heavy rental and added a retail department, selling cutlery, bicycles and other goods. The heavy rental and the general business depression since then told on the receipts and for three years, it was stated, the company has been doing business at a loss. It is said the assets will be sufficient, if properly managed, to payall the indebtedness and perhaps leave a surplus after the affairs of the company have been closed up.

WASHINGTON.

The national debt increased \$14,078,735 during January. Sims Reeves, the famous English sing-

er, has been declared a bankrupt, Ex-Congressman James Wilson of Iowa has accepted the office of Secretary of Agriculture in President McKinley's cab-

Lyman J. Gage, president of the First National Bank of Chicago, has been tendered and has accepted the portfolio of Secretary of the Treasury in McKinley's cabinet.

The committee having in charge the McKinley inaugural banquet has decided that no wine shall be served to the general public. There will be no wine list in connection with the menu card, from which orders can be given, even at an additional charge.

The Dawes Commission, after years of labor, has finally succeeded, as appears from a report sent to the Senate, in securing an agreement with the Choctaw Indians of the five civilized tribes for the division of their lands in severalty. The Chickasaws, who own the lands in common with the Choctaws, have not signed the agreement.

The First National Bank of Oakesdale, Wash., has posted the following notice on The testimony before the legislative stockholders of this bank, held Jan. 12, it ern, 15c to 19c. its doors: "At the annual meeting of the

sly voted to go into volu quested to call and get their money." This is the oldest bank in town, and although it has had its share of the business, the its were small. The Moscow Natio Sank at Moscow, Idaho, has been clos instructions from the Comptroller of the Currency. The last published report of the bank's condition at the close of business Dec. 17 included the following items: Cash on hand and in bank, \$22,604; loans and discounts, \$122,549; deposits subjeto check, \$37,463; time certificates of deposit, \$67,014.

The treaty of arbitration between Great Britain and Venezuela was signed at Washington Tuesday afternoon. The dehad recently deserted her husband and lay in completing the treaty was caused consorted with Wolf, supporting him with by the difficulty in making up the personnel of the arbitral commiss much from objections to persons nominated by either side as from the trouble experienced in arranging the tribunal so as to interfere as little as possible with the important routine work of the Supreme Courts of the United States and Great Britain, from which bodies four of the arbiters are to be drawn. Notice, however, was received by cable Tuesday morning from London that the privy council had finally confirmed the selections Lowe, who refused to testify before the made. The four arbiters, it is understood, will be Chief Justice Fuller and Justice Brewer of the United States Su-Custer Post, No. 6, G. A. R., the most preme Court and Lord Herschel and Sir Richard Henn Collins Knight, justices of her majesty's Supreme Court of Judiciary. The fifth arbiter, in case of need, will be named by King Oscar. By the terms of the treaty the agents of the two Governments, Great Britain and Venezuela, must deliver the complete cases at Paris, where the arbitration tribunal will meet within eight months of the ratification of the treaty, with three months additional allowed for the submission of the counter cases, so that the entire arbitration probably will occupy a year and a half. The Supreme Court at Washington ren-

dered a decision that is considered by constitutional lawyers as of the very highest importance, in that it materially enlarges the power of States to tax the property of corporations that have heretofore avoided taxation by claiming avoidance rights under the interstate commerce laws. The case decided, or rather the group of cases, came up from the courts of Indiana and Ohio, and involved the validity of what is known in the latter State as the Nichols law. In brief, it authorizes and empowers the tax commissioners to assess and collect taxes on the franchises and a proportionate share of the capital stock of telegraph and express companies doing business in the State. The importance of this law in a material way to express companies may be understood when it is stated that the tax commissioners of Ohio raised the assessment on express company property from \$289,000 to \$4,249,-000. A similar advance in the assessment was made in Indiana and Kentucky, where the same law was put on the statute books. The cases were bitterly fought and finally after three years of litigation reached the Supreme Court. The decision of the court sustains the State laws and establishes a new principle of taxation which will be seized upon by Legislatures of many States which are in need of more funds, and which have found no way to get at the real value of property of corations within their limits.

FOREIGN.

The wife of Prince Philip of Saxe-Coburg has eloped with an Austrian officer. Representatives of an English syndicate have secured options on sixteen Ohio breweries for \$9,000,000.

Prof. Gaston, the well-known Paris philologist, has been given a seat in the French Academy formerly held by Prof. Louis Pasteur.

A report comes from London that Gen. Weyler is to be succeeded as Governor General of Cuba by the Spanish minister of war, Azcarraga.

According to a Key West dispatch fifteen Spanish gunboats have been sunk by Cuban insurgents. One hundred men are reported killed or missing.

The two great French iron manufacturing firms of Schneider and Canet have amalgamated. The heads of these two iron foundries visited President Faure and assured him that France now had an iron manufacturing plant rivaling the Krupp establishment in Germany.

Tewfik Pasha, until recently Turkish minister for foreign affairs, has arrived at Marseilles. He says that a reign of terror prevails among the entourage of the sultan. He is fearful as to the fate of his family, whom he was compelled to leave behind him at Constantinople under the protection of the foreign embassies.

MARKET REPORTS.

Chicago-Cattle, common to prime, \$3.50 to \$5.50; hogs, shipping grades, \$3.00 to \$3.75; sheep, fair to choice, \$2.00 to \$4.00; wheat, No. 2 red, 72c to 73c; corn, No. 2, 22c to 23c; oats, No. 2, 15c to 17c; rye, No. 2, 34c to 35c; butter, choice creamery, 18c to 21c; eggs, fresh, 14c to 16c; potatoes, per bushel, 20c to 30c; broom corn, common short to choice dwarf, \$35 to \$80 per ton.

Indianapolis-Cattle, shipping, \$3.00 to \$5.25; hogs, choice light, \$3.00 to \$3.75; sheep, good to choice, \$2.00 to \$3.75; wheat, No. 2, 85c to 87c; corn, No. 2 white, 20c to 22c; oats, No. 2 white, 20c

St. Louis-Cattle, \$3.00 to \$5.25; hogs, \$3.00 to \$3.75; wheat, No. 2, 85c to 87c; corn, No. 2 yellow, 19c to 21c; oats, No. 2 white, 16c to 17c; rye, No. 2, 33c to 34c. Cincinnati-Cattle, \$2.50 to \$5:00; hogs, \$3.00 to \$3.75; sheep, \$2.50 to \$4.25; wheat, No. 2, 88c to 90c; corn, No. 2 mixed, 23c to 24c; oats, No. 2 mixed, 18c

to 20c; rye, No. 2, 35c to 37c. Detroit-Cattle, \$2.50 to \$5.25; hogs, \$3.00 to \$3.75; sheep, \$2.00 to \$3.75; wheat, No. 2 red, 85c to 87c; corn, No. 2 yellow, 23c to 24c; oats, No. 2 white, 19c to 21c; rye, 35c to 37c.

Toledo-Wheat, No. 2 red, 87c to 88c; corn, No. 2 mixed, 21c to 23e; oats, No. 2 white, 17c to 18c; rye, No. 2, 36c to 38c; clover, seed, \$5.25 to \$5.30. Milwankee-Wheat, No. 2 spring, 72c to 74c; corn, No. 3, 19c to 20c; oats, No.

2 white, 18c to 20c; barley, No. 2, 25c to 36c; rye, No. 1, 31c to 33c; pork, mess, \$7.50 to \$8.00. Buffalo-Cattle, \$2.50 to \$5.25; hogs, \$3.00 to \$4.00; sheep, \$2.00 to \$4.25; wheat, No. 2 red, 92c to 93c; corn, No.

2 yellow, 25c to 27c; oats, No. 2 white, 21c to 23c New York-Cattle, \$3.00 to \$5.25; hogs. \$3:00 to \$4.25; sheep, \$3.00 to \$4.50; wheat, No. 2 red, 82c to 83c; corn, No. 2,

BLAZE IN SALT LAKE. NATIONAL SOLONS.

SCORCHING.

cott-Aurbach Building Destroyed-Less Quarter of a Million Dollars-Fatal South Dakota Wreck-Great Northern Passengers in Peril.

Quarter of a Million Loss. Fire Tuesday night at Salt Lake, Utah, destroyed the Scott-Aurbach building, entailing a loss of \$250,000, a little over one half of which is covered by insurance. Besides the great financial loss, there were several accidents that narrowly escaped being fatalities. Electrician Vall, of fertunately contact with a net-work of wires broke his fall, and, though he dropped to the pavement with fearful vio-Chief Donovan from the roof, whither she had been driven by the smoke. When the 11 o'clock, the fire was confined to the rear of Scott & Co.'s store, but it spread with marvelous rapidity and before the arrival of the department over the slippery streets, the flames had shot in all directions. From the first the firemen's fight was simply to confine the fire to the building, already doomed. For a time it seemed that the fire would spread and the entire block be destroyed. Realizing that the main stroke was to confine the fire to the Aurbach building, all efforts were confined to keeping it within the walls of this structure. The fire department was successful in this and at 1:30 the fire was practically under control.

BREVITIES.

United States Consul Walter B. Barker at Sagua la Grande, Cuba, complains that dispatches from the State Department to him have been seized and read by the Spanish authorities.

Two oil tanks containing 1,000 gallons of crude petroleum exploded Tuesday evening at the power house of the West Division street cable line, West Madison and Rockwell streets, Chicago. Three men were hurt.

At Managua, Nicaragua, President Ze laya Tuesday celebrated the anniversary of his succession to the executive chair by issuing a decree of amnesty to revolutionists. The decree applies to all malcontents who took part in the insurrection in February, 1896.

Gen. Russell A. Alger of Michigan has purchased of ex-United States Senator Warner Miller and others the controlling interest in the Laurentide Company of Gaudmer, Quebec. The plan includes number of big pulp mills and thousands of acres of timber lands.

A mixed train, while standing on the sidetrack at Arlington, S. D., Tuesday evening, was run into by an engine going west. Conductor Addington, Brakeman Hosaic, John Loftus of De Smet and Mr. Harrison of Arlington were killed. The bodies were burned.

A. W. Linderstrom, a farmer who lived on Anderson's Island, near Tacoms Wash., went home Monday night and in a fit of anger took down a gun and blew out the brains of his 5-year-old son. He then placed the muzzle of the gun to his head and blew out his own brains.

The failure of E. C. Hodges & Co., Bos ton, bankers and brokers, was announced at the opening of the Stock Exchange Tuesday. The holdings of the firm were sold under the rule on the floor of the exchange. No statement of the company's affairs has been obtained.

Frank and Antonio Borrego, Sauriano and Patricio Valencia, the four conspirators who murdered ex-Sheriff Frank Chavez, and whose conviction was recently affirmed by the United States Supreme Court, have been resentenced at Santa Fe, N. M., to be hanged Feb. 23.

Obituary: At Topeka, Kan., Samuel W. Stone, author of "Wait for the Wagon and We'll All Take a Ride," 84.-At Ajaccio, Corsica, Prince Windisch-Graetz, 45. -At Cannes, France, Sir Thomas Spencer Wells, M. D., 79.-At Frouenfeld, Switzerland, M. Martini, inventor of the Martini rifle.

Serious strikes and bread riots have occurred at Madrid. There have been manifestations before the town hall, windows have been broken and many arrests have been made. The municipal authorities have resigned, owing to their inability to suppress the disturbances, and martial law has been proclaimed.

The wreck of a Great Northern passenger train pear Wenatchee, Wash., came near being one of the most disastrous of railway casualties. A tourist-car containing thirty-two people, including eleven babes, caught fire. The car was hurled into an embankment of snew. It was only after great exertions that the inmates liberated themselves by breaking the windows.

At Apollo, Pa., James Shelhammer, son of a well-to-do farmer, shot and killed Grace Clark, an attractive and popular young lady, and then turned the pistol on himself, inflicting a fatal wound. The tragedy took place in the sitting room of the Clark residence, and as the couple were alone the cause will probably never be known. Jealousy, however, is believed to have been at the bottom of it. Shelhammer was a suitor for Miss Clark's hand, but lately she had treated him with marked coldness. The young lady was 17 years of age and Shelhammer two years older.

The Brazilian cruiser Benjamin Constant has hoisted the national colors over the Island of Trinidad, which was so long in dispute with Great Britain.

At London, Countess Cowley was granted a decree of divorce from her husband Earl Cowley, in the divorce division of the high court of justice on the grounds of de sertion.

What is called a Christian theater will soon be opened in Paris for the purpose of producing highly artistic literary and moral plays, which, it is announced, Catholics may attend without having their faith insulted.

Charles R. Dodge and Alexander Borland, old residents of New Hope, Cal., were murdered Tuesday night by C. F. Kleupfer, the senior member of the firm of Kleupfer & Co., general storekeepers 29c to 30c; oats, No. 2 white, 21c to 23c; and saloon-keepers in that town. The butter, creamery, 15c to 21c; eggs, West- two men acted as peacemakers in a quarrel to which Kleupfer was a party.

PRETTY UTAH CITY GETS A BAD REVIEW OF THEIR WORK AT WASHINGTON.

Detailed Proceedings of Senate and

House-Bills Passed or Introduced in Kither Branch-Questions of Mo-ment to the Country at Large.

The Legislative Grind. The hominal business of the House Saturday was the consideration of the agricultural appropriation bill, which was passed before adjournment, but much of the time was devoted to political discuscaped being fatalities. Electrician value the fire department, came in contact with a lively electric wire and fell from the lively discussion. Mr. Northway (Rep.) of Ohio asserted that Secretary Morton by sion. The free distribution of seeds by the department of agriculture raised a endeavored to discredit the custom by procuring poor seeds, and Mr. Bromwell (Rep.) of Ohio charged that a Minneapolence, he escaped death. Miss Smith, a lis seed firm had attempted to bribe him roomer in the building, thinly clad in by an offer of seeds free to refrain from night robes, was rescued by Assistant calling the attention of Congress to the quality of the goods they furnished the department. An amendment was offered alarm was turned in, a few minutes before by Mr. Mercer for the free distribution to members of poultry, swine and other live stock, to illustrate his opposition to seed gifts. At the request of agricultural organizations of his State Mr. Hill of Connecticut proposed to strike out the seed items, but his proposition was lost. Speak-er Reed voted for the first time this session, and against free seeds. An unusually large number of bills were

passed by the House Monday, but few of them of any considerable importance. The bills passed included the old bill which has been pending before Congress. for so many years to retire John M. Quackenbush, who was court-martialed and suspended from the naval service in 1874 for drunkenness, as a commander under date of June 1, 1895; also a bill to reimburse the heirs of Albert Augustine, of Rose Hill, Iowa, in the sum of \$350 for two cows destroyed in the Cayuse war of 1847. Bills were passed to authorize the Columbia and Red Mountain Railroad to construct a bridge across the Columbia river; to prevent the carrying of obscene literature and articles designed for indecent and immoral use from a State or territory into another State or territory; to prevent trespassing upon and the protection of the Chickamauga and Chattanooga and other national military parks; to amend an act entitled an act to repeal the timber culture laws and for other purposes the act relates only to the entry of lands in the Sioux Indian reservation); to authorize the entry and patenting of lands containing petroleum and other mineral oils under the laws relating to placer mining (the purpose of the bill was to circumvent a ruling made by the secretary Aug. 7, 1896). The Nicaragua canal bill occupied the attention of the Senate most of the day, but no progress. was made toward a final vote.

The feature of the Senate Tuesday was a very spirited debate on the conference report of the immigration bill. Mr. Gibson of Maryland opposed the report and Mr. Lodge defended it. After two hours' struggle the report went over and the Nicaragua Canal bill was taken up, Mr. Vilas continuing his remarks. Mr. Teller of Colorado also entered the debate in opposition to the measure. The House bill to allow the bottling of spirits in bond was reported favorably. The day in the House was very dull, nearly the whole session being devoted to debate on approprintion bills. The diplomatic and consular bill was passed and considerable progress made with the District of Columbia bill. The bill as passed carries \$1,-673,708. Resolutions arranging for the formal canvassing of the electorial vote of the last Presidential election to take place Wednesday were adopted.

The contested election case of Cornett versus Swanson, from the fifth Virginia district, occupied the attention of the House Wednesday. Three Republicans and three Democrats on the Elections Committee had reported in favor of the Democratic contestee, Mr. Swanson, and three-Republicans offered a minority report recommending that the seat be declared vacant on the ground that a fair election could not be held under the Virginia electien law. When the vote came to be taken the minority could not muster enough votes to call the yeas and nays, and Mr. Swanson's title to his seat was confirmed by an overwhelming viva voce vote. After a brief parliamentary struggle in the Senate the friends of the Nicaragua Canal bill were unable to hold a quorum and sit out the obstruction to that measure. The friends of the bill finally gave up hope of securing a quorum and yielded to an adjournment. Mr. Vilas continues to hold the floor.

The session of the Senate Thursday was one of unusual activity. Mr. Morrill endeavored to pass the bill prohibiting the use of intoxicants in the capitol building. This aroused the opposition of Mr. Hill of New York, who denounced the busybodies and mischief-makers inspiring this class of legislation. He moved to recommit the bill, but this was defeated by a vote of 27 yeas to 30 nays. However, he succeeded in prolonging the debate to 2 o'clock, when the bill was displaced by the Nicaragua Canal bill. The immigration bill was recommitted to conference, Mr. Lodge, in charge of the measure, adopting this course as a result of urgent appeals for a modification of the bill. Before this was done, however, a warm personal and political colloquy occurred between Mr. Lodge and Mr. Chandler on one hand and Mr. Gorman on the other. Mr. Vilas, added another day to his speech against the Nicaragua Canal and had not concluded when the Senate adjourned. The proceedings in the House were very dull and almost entirely devoid of public interes. The major portion of the day was devoted to the District of Columbia appropriation bill. The House agreed to the Senate's request for a further conference on the immigration bill.

Told in a Few Lines. quan unknown man was smothered in a large analt bin at the Fey malthouse at Peoria, Ill.

di Joseph I. Peyton, a patent attorney, committed suicide at Washington by blowing out his brains.

The failed First National Bank of Holidaysburg, Pa., will resume with 100 per cent new capital stock.

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J. F. Winer, who died in a New York hospital, was once a prominent man in Alabama and was Secretary of State be-

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CHAPTER IX.

Lawrence might have kept his resolu tion and gone to Caire early in the week but for an unforeseen occurrence which detained him for some time in Ramleh. He was coming out by train from Alexandria with a party of new acquaintances one afternoon; all of them apparently in wild spirits. Just as they were about to leave the carriage some scuffle took place between Harold and a Greek who would not move out of the way; a jerk of the train, a stumble of Harold's, and both he and the man next him were thrown forward on the platform. Harold sprang up laughing, but the other person did not rise so soon.

"Come, get up, Lawrence," said Mr. Calcott, who was one of the party, "we can't wait all day for you."

Lawrence turned so pale that his friends thought he was going to faint and surrounded him in dismay. The train rolled on, and a crowd of wondering Arabs began to gather. Seeing this, Lawrence tried to get upon his feet, but found the effort impossible. And after a little consultation the others thought it best to carry him to the nearest house, which was that of Mr. Eastlake himself; and this they would have done, but for the unexpected arrival of Mr. Dumaresq.

"If there is anything wrong you will be more easily taken care of in my house than in Eastlake's, Mr. Lawrence," he said, "especially as it seems to have been Harold's fault. Oh, I hope it won't be anything serious; but I am pretty sure that you have fractured the bone. I wonder where Dr. Hughes can be found?"

The doctor and the injured man arrived almost simultaneously. Lawrence was conscious, but suffering much pain. The hurt to his leg proved to be a fracture, and the doctor told him that he had better not think of moving for the next six weeks lo

"I had much better have gone to the hotel," said Lawrence faintly, but with an urgency of manner that surprised this hearers. "Could I not be moved there at once? I don't like to trouble Mrs. Dumaresq.

"It will not trouble her at all. She will be glad to have you," said Mr. Dumaresq twinkle and his mouth to twitch, but on decisively, "especially as Harold was to the whole he preserved a laudable gravblame for the accident."

"Not at all. It was my fault," was ing unusual in their position. Lawrence's eager answer. But further | Paul Eastlake had not joined in the conversation was stopped by order of the search for Michelle through the garden doctor, who was afraid of fever for his walks or on the veranda. He knew her patient. One question only Lawrence in- haunts better than that. He said a word sisted upon asking, as soon as he was sure or two in Mrs. Dumaresq's ear, then left that Dumaresq was out of earshot. the drawing room, and went through a

an indignant tone, "Why should you move? Is Mrs. Dumaresq not a good enough hostess for you? You don't know when you're well off."

Lawrence smiled for a moment, then looked grave and breathed a quick, impatient sigh. It seemed as though the young man had a positive repugnance against staying in Mr. Dumaresq's house. He the half-open door, he could see Michelle was very feverish for the next two or three days, and was ordered complete quietness. He saw nobody, therefore, but maresq for five minutes a day; but when the first week had passed, he was allowed an occasional visitor, and the length a minute or two before he spoke. She of the visits and the number of visitors increased as time went on.

Under these circumstances his friendship with Anne Carteret grew daily. She was used to nursing, and made herself of considerable use in the sick room. It was when Lawrence was recovering that Anne was able to sit and read to him, of to sing the songs he liked, or to bring him fresh flowers every day. Sickness gives great privileges; it seemed sometimes to Lawrence that he might be sorry when he found himself able to do without the help and the petting that were so very pleas-

Christmas day had come. To Lawrence it was heralded by the early appearance of little Stella Dumaresq, in her nurse's arms, at his bedside, with a bouquet of roses and a Christmas card in her tiny hands. The day was lovely; warm and mild but not oppressive. Half a dozen young men being present at Mr. Dumaresq's when Dr. Hughes called, soon after luncheon, they made an onslaught upon him, and demanded permission to convey Lawrence from his bedroom to the drawing room. After some demur the doctor consented to the plan; and in a short space of time the invalid was installed on a couch before the blazing fire. For Mrs. Dumaresq had insisted upon having a fire lig it 1-not because she felt cold, but because she said she could not believe it to be Christmas day if she sat down before a fireless grate. The blaze was reflected cheerily in the blue and white tiles of the open stove; the windows stood wide open to admit the gentle breeze that waved the curtains, and rustled the petals of the roses with which every vase had been that morning filled.

There was much laughing and talking round Lawrence's couch that afternoon. The usual frequenters of the house were present-Eastlake, Rolleston and several others. Lawrence's friend, Calcott, came later in the day; and Dr. Hughes evidently found his rocking chair so comfortable that he did not care to hurry off to another patient. Then a diversion was presently effected, when an inquiry was made for Michelle; she had not been seen since the early part of the afternoon. Some of the visitors went to look for her in the garden, wondering at her disappearance, for Michelle was not usually unisociable; others went out on the verianta. Lawrence was left virtually alone, with

You must not stay too long. You look

fortunate thing that has happened to me

She blushed, without knowing why, at something in his tone; and then said rebukingly: "Don't you wish to see Cairo? This is the best time of the year for the Nile, and you are wasting weeks of it. What a pity it is!"

"Let me contradict you for once, please. I don't care a bit to see Cairo. I am not wasting time; I am improving it. It is not a pity at all. Do you want so much to get rid of me? I know"-with sudden contrition-"that I am an awful nuisance to you."

"Oh, no, no!" exclaimed Anne, horrified by this view of the matter. "How can you say so? When my uncle and aunt are so pleased to have you here!" "And you-are you pleased?"

She was silent. Her eyes were cast down; her cheeks slightly flushed; her sweet curved lips a little tremulous.

"Give me some comfort," he murmured, in the caressing voice that was so pleasant to the ear. "It is Christmas day, and we are both in a strange land. Tell me that you do not mind my being here; that is all I ask. Anne, you promised to be my friend."

His hand sought hers. She let him hold it for a moment in his own, and then tried to speak, but the words that she would have liked to say refused to be uttered. He had never held her hand in his as he held it now. He had never called her by her Christian name before. So she was silent-struck dumb with amazement, fear, and a sort of soft, sweet shame that did not make her altogether miserable. Perhaps her silence told him more than she herself could know.

"Anne! dear Anne!" "Michelle is nowhere to be found, mother," said Harold, stepping into the room by the other window. "She must have gone to look up Miss Fairfax or the Sea-

forths."

Had he seen anything? Anne had started away from Lawrence's side as soon as lis step and voice made themselves heard at the window; but even Lawrence was taken aback, and did not recover himself for a moment. Harold's eyes seemed to ity, and spoke as if he had observed noth-

"Would it not be possible to move me to maze of passages in the back portion of at once. He picked up some flowers from the house. Here was a little room with "No," said the doctor, curtly. Then, in a stone floor, whitewashed walls, and a in his hand. He was lost in thought. deal table and chair; a room with no particular name or function of its own, which was used as a play room for the children in summer, and at all times as a place where flowers might be arranged, photographs mounted, clay modeled, or any occupation pursued which was not compatible with entire neatness. Here, through standing in front of a green fir tree in a flower pot-it had been imported for the occasion-rearranging strings of glitterthe nurse and the doctor, and Mr. Du- ing balls, dolls, oranges and bags of sweets. With a slight smile upon his face, Eastlake stood and observed her for looked very pretty, he thought; not melancholy nor out of humor, as he had sometimes seen her.

He entered, and watched her for some minutes without speaking as she arranged her toys and fruit with wonderful swiftness and precision.

"What do you want?" she asked at last, "May I help you?" he said, picking up an orange which had dropped to the floor.

He pulled out the ends of his mustache, adjusted a flower in his buttonhole, made playful thrusts at Michelle's setter with the toe of his boot, and looked at her from time to time with a gleam of merry mischievous meaning in his brown eyes that presently made a longer silence unendurable to her. She stood erect and looked at him indignantly. He became serious and attentive at once.

"Mr. Eastlake," she said, "do you want to help me or to hinder me?" "Certainly to help you. I came-chiefly

for that purpose. What can I do?" "Well, first of all, don't stand there and tease poor Ponto. He can't bear it. It is horrible of you to do it. Secondly, cut off this branch for me. You must not break it; you must cut it; or you will shake down all the things.'

"Have you a knife?" he asked. She gave him a large buck-handled knife, which was quite strong enough to cut away the branch, as it was not a thick one; but just as he was finishing the operation, the knife closed with a sudden snap-not exactly over his fingers, but in such a way as to infliet a deep cut upon two of them.

"Halloo!" he said, snatching his hand

"Let me look," said Michelle, turning round with a suddenly frightened face. He smiled and muffled his hand in his handkerchief. "It is nothing. Barbara will just put something round it," he said.

But she had caught sight of the stains upon the white cambric, and was off like the wind for assistance. Barbara, the nurse, a comely and capable Scotchwoman, came at once, and bathed and bound up the fingers as if they belonged to one of her children. Mr. Eastlake meanwhile protested that she took too much trouble, it was forced to submit because the eding broke out afresh when the bandtige was removed. When this business was over he looked into Michelle's pale and somber face with a smile. She stood "It is so pleasant to be down stairs quite still for a moment, then threw up her hands before her face, and burst into an agony of tears,

"Your accident," said Anne, with a little hesitation, "must seem to you like a change; it prevents your feeling yourself too fortunate."

UHAPTER A.

In another minute he had taken her into his arms. "Why, Miche," he said, "On the contrary," he said, turning his handsome head so as to fix his dark eyes against his shoulder, and one of her hands Parnestly upon her, "I consider it the most | to grasp his arm with some unconscious

energy. He did not understand her emotion-how should he?-he only knew that she had been wayward and ill-humored for five minutes, and was now repenting of her misdeeds in metaphorical dust and ashes.

"I was cross," said Michelle, dolefully. She raised her head from his arm and drew herself away. He did not detain her, but he let his hand rest upon her shoulder.

"Now that you are such a grown-up young lady," he said, lightly, "I did not know whether I might be allowed to offer you a Christmas present, but I asked Mrs. Dumaresq's permission and she gave

"Why not?" she said, her face brightening. "You always did before, and this morning I was quite disappointed. I thought you were very unkind, Paul." He laughed, "I must make up for my

delay. This year I am impartial; I have got a present for each of you-except for your father, and he likes to give presents so much better than to receive them, that I thought it would be only kindness to leave him out."

"And for me?" "An ornament," he said, smiling. She looked half indignant.

"Michelle," he said, gently, "I am not giving you a mere ornament. You know I had a sister once." She did not look up, but made a movement of assent with her lips. "She would now have been older than you if she had lived, but-I have told you before that you remind me of my little Alice."

Her face was beautiful in its tenderness. The soft gravity of the eyes she turned upon him made it easier for him to proceed

"It is only a simple little thing that belonged to her, my dear. She used to wear it round her neck. It has lain in my desk a good many years since then. If you will take it and wear it sometimes, I shall be pleased. There, little sister."

He put an open box into her hands. It contained a silver cross; nothing remarkable in itself, only hallowed by association in Eastlake's eyes, and therefore in Michelle's eyes also. She looked at it with tenderness, almost with awe.

"I don't think I am good enough to wear her things," she said in a very low tonc. "She would have liked you to have it," he answered. Then, in a more ordinary tone, "I gave it to her on her fourteenth birthday. It came back to me two years later. I have had it seven years since then, so, you see, it is very old, Michelle. You will keep it, and wear it sometimes, for her sake, and mine, will you not?"

"Yes, Paul, I will. Thank you." Something in the gentle self-restraint of her tone and manner touched him exceedingly. He bent down and gravely kissed her forehad; then was sorry that he had done so, for his kiss brought a sudden rush of warm carnation to her cheeks. She was vexed with herself also for blushing, and drew herself rather hurriedly away. A moment's silence-the first silence of embarrassment-fell between

She passed him with a brave smile, but there was some new consciousness in her shining eyes and in the hot color of her cheeks. Eastlake did not feel inclined to rejoin the company in the drawing room the table and absently laid them together

Had he been unwise in showing Michelle such unwonted affection? He had shown no more than he really felt; but had he made her understand that it was the affection of a brother, not of a lover? He never would have put these questions to himself but for the fact of Michelle's vivid blush. Sisters do not usually blush n that way when brothers kiss theme

He sat himself down and considered the matter. He wanted to marry. He had been thinking of marrying for some time. He had formed a lofty ideal of the woman whom he would make his wife. "Rich she shall be, that's certain; wise, or I'll none; fair, or I'll never look on her; mild, or come not near me; noble, or not I for an angel; of good discourse, an excellent musician, and her hair shall be of what color it pleases God," Such a woman was seldom met, and would be far above his deserts, of course; and yet-and yet-it seemed to him that he had found herfair, wise and mild, as Benedict described her; and her name was-Anne Carteret.

It might be advisable soon to prepare Michelle's mind a little for the change in his mode of life. And yet he could not do that until he had spoken to Anne. He lost himself in reflection about her until it was time to dress for dinner.

(To be continued.)

New Japanese Postage-Stamps,

All persons interested in philately know that the Japanese Government has lately issued four new postage stamps. They are commemorative of the recent war with China, and bear portraits of Princes Arisugawa and Kitashirakawa, who died while it was

To Western collectors it may seem strange that with only two portraits there are four stamps. The probable explanation is that the postoffice department did not think it appropriate to honor one prince above the other by engraving his picture on a stamp of a higher denomination. Hence there are two two-sen stamps, one with Prince Arisugawa's portrait, the other with that of Prince Kitashirakawa; and two

five-sen stamps similarly adorned. Another difficulty has arisen from the use of these pictures. The reverence with which the Japanese regard the imperial family is well known. Several writers in the newspapers have accused the officials of showing disrespect to the dead princes. What an indignity it is that their portraits should be polluted with saliva and blurred over with post-marks. One man has given public notice that he will receive no mail matter that bears the new stamps. It is said that some postmasters have asked permission to put on the marks of cancellation in a way that will not deface the princely features.

If any extreme conservatives do so far conquer their prejudices as to use one of the new stamps, they will doubtless first raise it reverentially to their bowed heads, carefully moisten the back side with pure water, and then grammar, all tattered and torn, which

the imperial palace at St. Petersburg. It is 160 feet long by 150-wide.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

SERIOUS SUBJECTS CAREFULLY CONSIDERED.

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

Lesson for Feb. 14. Golden Text .- "We ought to obey Go

rather than men."-Acts 5: 20. "TheoPrison Opened" is the subject of this leason, the explanatory matter being found in Acts 5: 17-32. The fear that arose in flie church on account of the terrible punishment of Ananias and Sapphira was evidence of a quickened conscience; and the cause of Christ prospered more than ever before. Acts 5: 12-16 describe the increased favor of the people, notwithstanding persecution, and the miracles of healing performed by the apostles. Such success naturally aroused again the apprehension and indignation of the ruling members of the priestly class, who saw that their profession would suffer if the new preaching was allowed to

Explanatory. "The high priest rose up": not rose from his seat, for the council was not in session. It is a figurative expression; the high priest became excited. "They that were with him": all the leading members

of the priestly class were Sadducees. though the mass of the people were Phar isees. "The angel of the Lord": Again on a later occasion a similar deliverance was effected (12: 7). Whether the apostles saw the angel or merely found the doors open and heard the voice, we are not told. "All the words of this life": this is rather obscure as it stands. "This life" means eternal life, "the life" by pre-eminence.

"When they heard that": instant obedience to orders was the rule of their lives. -"Early in the morning": Hackett has this comment: "The temple had already opened its gates to the worshipers and the traffickers accustomed to resort thither. The people of the East commence the day much earlier than is customary with us. During a great part of the year in Palestine the heat becomes oppressive soon after sunrise, and the inhabitants

therefore assign their most important duties and labors to the early hours of the day. Nothing is more common at the present time than to see the villagers going forth to their employment in the fields while the night and day are still struggling with each other. Worship is often performed in the synagogues at Jerusalem before the sun appears above Olivet.' -"All the senate of the children of Israel": the part of the Sanhedrim which consisted of elders. Their advice was

especially desired. "They feared the people": the apostles had gained the favor of the people by their ministrations of healing, as well as by ed. put an end to argument. "Whom ye slew": once more the accusation is repeated, and those that heard were convulsed

with rage: "cut to the heart," verse 33 is

a misleading translation. They were not

conscience-stricken, but enraged.

Verses 33-42 should be carefully studied. It is unwise to bring a class to a certain degree of interest in the precarious plight of the apostles before the Sanhedrim, and then leave the story in mid-air, beginning the following week with an entirely new subject, "The First Christian Martyr." The teacher must teach the whole lesson, verses 17-42. The discussion in the council throws interesting light on the character of the liberal leaders of the time. Gamaliel was "a zealous Pharisee, unrivaled in that age for his knowledge of the law, a distinguished teacher, and possessing an enlarged, tolerating spirit, far above the mass of his countrymen." His speech shows the caution and wisdom of a practiced statesman. Theudas, whose insurrection is mentioned in verse 36, is unknown by name in Jewish history, but he was undoubtedly one of the many rebels who caused uprisings about the time of the death of Herod the Great. The fact that a rebellion of one Theudas is mentioned by Josephus as occurring in the reign eficlaudius, ten years after the delivery of Gamaliel's speech, has been supposed by some to indicate that the writer of Acts has made a mistake, and has confused names or dates; but this supposition is unnecessary. The account of Judas the Galilean agrees with Josephus' narrative. His insurrection, about A. D. 7, was directed against a special tax law on the Jews by the Roman Government, Gamaliel's conclusion is certainly one that shows shrewdness and piety combined. We are not, however, to suppose that he was friendly to Christianity, he merely entertained a doubt whether it might not possibly be of God. That his advice prevailed shows the power of a calm man in a crowd of angry people; he would, however, have failed probably to convince his associates had he not been the greatest teacher of the time. After beating, therefore, the apostles were released, with a further injunction not to preach Christ, which they immediately disobeyed. Their

church prospered. Teaching Hints, No barriers can stand against the angel of the Lord. Prison doors cannot confine those whom the Lord wills to make free Boldness in speaking in defense of one's faith may bring persecution, but it seldom fails to win respect. When the apostles spoke those memorable words, "We ought to obey God rather than men," they gave a watchword for martyrs of all ages. No arguments could move men whose pur-pose was fixed on such an algal. No persecution could silence them. Again we notice the faithful preaching that characterized all the apostolic ministry. They did not hesitate to tell the truth about sin under all circumstances, always adding the way of salvation from sin through

testimony was heard gladly by the people

the more so because Gamaliel's words had

perhaps been spread abroad, and the

Blessed Are the Percemakers. I once knew a famous man who lived to be 88, the delight of all about him. He always stood up for the right, with an eye like an eagle's when It flashed fire at what was wrong. I have an old

MICHIGAN LEGISLATURE

The anti-convict contract labor bill which has been prepared by the State Federation of Labor has made its appearance. It prohibits all contracts, prevents the use of any machinery except that propelled by foot or hand, provides that the number of convicts at any trade shall not exceed one-twentieth the number of free citizens of the State employed in the same trade, unless it be making supplies for State institutions, and provides that the convicts may be delivered in gangs of twenty to counties for work on the highway. The labor men were particularly active Friday, noticing bills requiring that all convict made goods offered for sale be branded, that employes be paid in cash only, the object being to do away with store orders, etc., and making legal holidays of all general election days for the purpose of rendering it impossible for employers to keep their men at work on penalty of losing their employment in order to disfranchise them. Graveyard and juvenile insurance is given a blow in a bill prohibiting the insuring of lives of persons under 17 and over 65 years of age., Bills providing for the payment of a bounty of \$25 for wolves, \$5 for lynx and \$3 for wildcats, requiring adulterated baking powder to be so branded, and providing a severe penalty for school officers who refuse to comply with the law requiring that each school in the State be supplied with an American flag have been offered.

The anti-railroad pass fever has broken out in the Legislature in most virulent form. The question has been frequently discussed since the session began, and many members have returned passes sent them. Tuesday Representative Lusk gave notice of a joint resolution proposing an amendment to the constitution making it an offense punishable by removal from office for any public official to accept a free railroad pass or a telegraph, telephone or express frank. It is not improbable that such a proposition will be submitted to the people at the fall election. Notice has been given of an insolvency bill which makes invalid the naming of preferred creditors in chattel mortgages, and permits an insolvent to turn over to the agent of a court all his assets and then be relieved from further liability. The bill further provides that in cases of involuntary insolvency the creditor may, upon a satisfactory showing of such insolvency, force an assignment. It is proposed to give to townships authority to purchase gravel pits, stone quarries and road-making machinery for the purpose of improving the highways. Other bills presented provide for the repeal of the law taxing mortgages on real estate, for the appropriation of \$20,000 for a Governor's residence, to increase the uniform retail liquor tax to \$750 and to require the payment of a specific tax of 5 per cent. on net earnings by sleeping, palace and chair car companies.

In the matter of the nomination of William Hartsuff of Port Huron, for the gracious message which they preach- inspector general, the Senate held a pro-"We ought to obey God rather than tracted executive session, Wednesday, and the battle was vigorously waged. The fact that Hartsuff is not a State militiaman brought about his defeat. J. B. Caswell of Port Huron, for salt inspector, was confirmed. The appropriation bills are beginning to make their appearance. Notices were given of bills appropriating \$129,000 for the industrial school for boys, \$105,000 for the Michigan mining school, \$10,000 for the Mackinac island State park, and \$20,000 for a residence for the Governor. The disposition is to scan all appropriation bills closely and cut them to the quick. A shot was taken at commercial agencies by the introduction of a bill prohibiting them or any individual from making, publishing or circulating any statement whatever as to the financial standing of a firm or corporation without the latter's consent. Bills limiting railroad passenger fares in all parts

of Michigan to 2 cents a mile, limiting the fee for the privileges of a sleeping car to \$1 a night and requiring companies to pay a license fee of \$50 a year for each car Representative Dickinson, the only colored member of the Legislature, has given notice of a bill for the suppression of mob violence. It is molded after the Ohio law and provides that persons suffering at the hands of mobs shall recover from the county in which the assault takes place a sum not less than \$500 or more than \$5,000, the extent of the injuries to govern. The legal heirs of persons killed by mobs will be entitled to recover \$5,000. The county, in turn, will be entitled to recover the amount paid from any known participant in the assault. In case a mob goes from one county to another and there resorts to violence the latter county will pay the bill and recover from the former. Bills were introduced Thursday providing that persons acquitted of crime on the ground of insanity shall be sent to the asylum for dangerous and criminal insane for the minimum term of three years; also providing for the collection and publishing of divorce statistics. Bills were noticed requiring railroad companies to carry bicycles as baggage, and preventing the forfeiture of fire insurance policies for violation of any condition when such violation is without prejudice to the insured. Action upon Governor Pingree's nomination of Arthur C. Bird of Highland and Thomas F. Marston of Bay City for members of the State Board of Agriculture for terms of siz years was postponed.

This and That. The ordinary human nose is 2 inches long.

In A. D. 100, Dioscorides mentions a substance, which he calls saccharon, as a great dainty among the people of East.

The dentists, almost to a man, are in favor of candy, as it makes liberal additions to their business all the year round.

In the village of Southport, Conn., is preserved a piece of cedar post which General Washington helped to set in the ground at Farrington.

Beethoven is to music what Shakspeare is to the drama, a universal genius. It is claimed by philosophical musicians that every motion of the human soul is depicted in the writings

Hazlitt fell in love with the daughter of his landlady, a young woman who helped the servants in the work of the If any of those commiserating Washjust, and fear not." That was his rule The letters of the charming essayist to honored to the end.—Dean Stanley. | land of idiocy.



Wealth and Poverty, In the matter of feeding the poor the time has come for action. Quit playing the hypocrite. Do something.-Chicag Dispatch.

Russell Sage says that the poor are not growing poorer, and of course he has exceptional facilities for knowing .- Washington Times.

It is the rich misers and skinflints, rather than the Bradley-Martins and their ilk, who awaken popular criticism and con-tempt.—Boston Herald,

The weather is pinching, the needs of the poor are felt severely, the efforts of charity ought to be manifested quickly, and intelligently .- Chicago Inter Ocean.

The wretches who have cornered grain in starving India deserve the execration of the civilized world. There is no opportunity that greed will not seize upon.— St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

By giving a lavish ball the Bradley-Martins will put a great deal of money in circulation, but so they would do if they devoted the same amount of money to a better use.—New York Journal.

If some of the very wealthy Chicagoese would devote to charity a part of the money they have been enabled to keep by tax dodging, it would make a great fund for Chicago's 8,000 starving families.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

Mr. Russell Sage's opinion that a social entertainment that costs \$240,000 is a wicked waste of money is one whose sincerity cannot be questioned, although its expression can hardly be set down as one of the surprises of the senson.-Washing-

ton Star. A cry for help comes from Chicago. It is said that 8,000 families in that city are actually starving to death. The dispatches say that the city has 10,000 wives, husbands and children begging for breadbegging for a pittance of food to keep body and soul together—huddled into single rooms, and freezing in the blizzard that visited the city Thursday. It has a mightier ery for pity than it had at the close of the World's Fair.-Fall River

Pantering the Britishers. Henry Irving has a sprained ankle. It said to decidedly improve his walk .-Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Doubtless the Prince of Wales thinks the Queen is old enough to abdicate if she wants to .- New York Press.

Great Britain does not seem to be keeping up the standard of its work as nurse to the Indian Empire.—Chicago Record. It is now rumored that the Prince of Wales will be the leading candidate for the head of the waiters' union.-Chicago

Journal. It costs Great Britain \$15,000 a year to maintain the Queen's pack of deerhounds. We thus see that a good deal of British gold is going to the dogs.-Commercial Ad-

rertiser. The chances are that Lord Kimberley, who succeeds Lord Rosebery as the Liberal leader, will resemble his predecessor by not setting the Thames on fire.-Bos-

England's surplus this year might be xpressed in pounds sterling, but the praeical way to put it is that it amounts to four more new battleships.-St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

The Queen's speech had a good deal more to say about arbitration than about unjust taxation in Ireland, but Lord Caslatown and sundry others will see to it that the latter subject is enforced upon

Parliament's attention.-Boston Globe. Lord Salisbury announced to the members of the House of Lords that if the massacres in Turkey continued pressure would have to be applied. And get, some critics insist that the official British mind is impervious to humor.—Baltimore Amer-

Tackling the Treaty. The Senators who let loose the dogs of war before adjournment will find most of them in the Olney pound.-Cleveland

Plain Dealer. We are ready and anxious to arbitrate any subject of dispute with the English, except the cut of the amorphous horrors

they call trousers .- Kansas City Times: When England rejoices over the acceptance of a treaty to which she is a party, it is always safe to infer that the other party has the short end of it.-Detroit

Tribune. While there is some disposition among American statesmen to criticise the arbitration treaty a unanimity of sentiment is reported from the other side.-Buffalo

Express. It is not surprising that the Senate should hang up the arbitration treaty. Anything the Senate might do would not be surprising, unless it should happen to do something sensible.-Galveston Trib-

The latest attack upon the treaty just made with England will not be able to rob that instrument of the title it has earned, as the crowning diplomatic triumph of the century.-Cincinnati Commercial.

No treaty can cover a question of national honor. War is the only arbiter of that. And Great Britain is likely to be quite as quick on the trigger and quite as careful not to offend as we can be.-New York Press.

Senate and Senators. Senator Mills, of Fexas, is still going about with an "all-hell-shall-stir-for-this" look exposed on his face.-Memphis Ap-

Senator Tillman says he would like to have "Author of the Dispensary Law" carved on his tombstone, but he doesn't say when.-New York Press.

About all that will be remembered of the Hon, J. Don Cameron when he closes his twenty-year term in the Senate will be him illustrious father.-Chicago Tribune.

Senator Sherman seems to be trimming his Cuban corns to the exact limits of the Olney shoes.-Cleveland Plain Dealer. Senator Thurston says: "There are

things that are worse than war." He talks like a man who has been inveigled into attending the afternoon session of a "sewing circle."-Chicago Times-Herald.

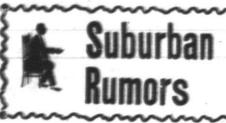
ten, "Still in thy right hand carry gentle peace, to silence vicious tongues. Be just, and fear not." That was his rule the set values in the work of the boarders a little too familiar with the boarders. The letters of the charming essayist to through life, and he was loved and this young person verge on the borderreal estate transaction.—Kansas City

CHEESEA, THURSDAY, FEL. 11, 1897.

THE Ann Action Courier most; but most people don't know this, so it will pay you to look just as wise as you possibly can and do the "listen act" to perfection.

LACHEN a traveling peddler calls at your door and tries to sell you some of his goods ask him if he will take your butter, him if, when your neighborhood gets ready to buy or build a bridge over a creek, if he will be willing to contrib ute a few provisions; ask him if he will contribute to an enterprise just starting If he agrees to this then patronize him. Your home merchant will do all mis and more. We have seen this item in about fourteen different exchanges, and each church last Sabbath. one passed it off as original.

THE next time that you are of C. T. Conklin. tempted to sample all the goods that are within your reach when you enter a gracery store, just stop and think of the fate of the following young man who was a fiend of that character-He dipped into what looked suspiciously able to remain in this vicinity, His prepared command in a certain store the other day and transferred a generous handful to his mouth. Then the fun began. He jumped around as though he was head push in an Indian war dance. He frothed at the mouth, and the yell that he emitted sounded like the our church at the home of Mrs. Peter wail of a lost soul. He had made a mis- Young last Wedneday was an enjoytake, and instead of the toothsome delicacy that he had thought to sample he sum of \$7. had dipped into a pail of chipped soap. The moral-but that is so painfully apparant that we will omit it.



WATERLOO.

Mrs. Sarah Beeman is quite seriously

Dr. Bennett took in the sights of Jackson one day last week.

John Moeckel and family visited relitives in Lima last Sunday.

There is some talk of organizing a

lodge of I. O. O. F. here soon. Mrs. Hattie Gorton visited relatives

in Pinckney and Howell last week.

John Hibbard of Marshall is visit-

ing his brother-in-law, Thomas Collins The quarterly meeting of the M. E. Church will be held at North Water-

loo next Sunday morning and evening. Rev. Miers has returned from a visit at his old home. Lake Odessa, and is accompanied by his brother and family of Lesie.

UNACILLA.

Mrs. E. C. May is on the sick list. Horace Miller is working at Iosco.

The night of the Lyceum has been changed back to Friday.

E. A. May of Stockbridge is spendimg a few days with friends here.

Mrs. George H. Collins purchased a house and lot in this villiage, of W.S.

Livermore Monday. There will be a donation in the hall Wednesday, February 10, for the ben-

efit of Rev. Dunning. Bert Harris began work for Sidney

Collins of Waterloo Monday where he will work the coming summer.

A number of young people from this vicinity attended the necktie social which was given by the Gregory school at the hall Friday evening All report an enjoyable time.

LIMA.

Dont fail to attend the lecture Saturday evening.

Gabrial Freer district.

Walter Dancer of Ann Arbor was loaded cartridges. among us several days last week,

Charles Samp has rented the George Mitchel farm and has moved thereon.

Florence Hammond is in Sylvan this Friermuth.

paralysis last week and at present in working charitable people out of writing lies in a very critical condition several dollars. - Homer Vidette.

Thomas Fletcher is drawing stone to

Chelses preparatory to building a resdence there in the spring. Rev. A. B. Storms of Detroit, and sieter Nettie of Ann Action, visited their father and sister a few days hat

The office seeker has already begun the man who looks to set his "stakes" and repair his st who knows the "fences" for the spring campaign. Do give us a rest.

Bert West is still confined to hi com seriously ill,

C. T. Conklin and wife left for ackson to day to visit friends.

Miss Olive Conklin, sister of C. T. eggs and other farm produce; ask Conklin, is seriously ill in California. We hear that Miss Edith Foster is Argus.

to teach the spring term of our school. J. Richards and wife were enter-

Mr. and Mrs. W. Runeiman of

Williamston are visiting at the home Nelson Dancer will move into the

Grey in the near future. It is rumored that Mr. Densmore is soon to leave us. We hope he will be

house formerly occuvied by W. J.

There will be only a morning service at our church next Sunday. The evening service will be held at the Francisco Union charch.

The social given for the benefit of shleaffair and netted the society the

We were sorry that a mistake was made in this column ast week respect ing the date of the social to be given at the home of E. S. Cooper. The social will be held this (Thursday) evening, instead of February, 4th, as announced.

NORTH LAKE RIPPLES

Alfred Faulkner is visiting George

B. H. Glenn visited friends in Leslie

Miss Mary Roy is home again from Unadilla Mr. and Mrs. Hershel Watts' baby

is very sick. Miss Ella Reade is home from her

Detroit visit.

James Gilbert is home and will stay for several months.

Henry Hudson has rented his farm

Rev. W. J. Thistle made a few calls in this neighborhood last week.

Mrs. Mary Carpenter is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. Sweeney. Milo Green is building an addition to his house. He is also erecting a new

The owners of North Lake wish to notify fishermen to keep off the lake hareafter.

The German M. E. socity has laid a new carpet on the floor of their house of worship.

Miss Josie Martin of Chelsea was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stephenson last week.

boy aged about two weeks. Mrs T. E. Wood and Miss Nellie Hall of Chelsea were the guests of Mrs

William Wood last Thursday. Martin Clinton and sisters, Stella

and Mabel, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Hankard Thursday. Albert Remnant and a couple of

young ladies had a narrow escape from horse Tuesday. Miss Nettie Hudson had a narrow

escape last Saturday evening when she was lighting a lamp near a peice of netting. The netting caught fire and the flame flashed up near a package of Mabel Fletcher is teaching in the gun powder, several boxes of maatenes, and burned off the end of a box of

COUNTY AND VICINITY.

Dont be taken in by a young woman who is going about the state soliciting from \$8 to \$10. No insurance. The aid to send an old lady to a home for week the guest of her sister Mrs. John the aged. She is a fraud and the old lady a myth. She has worked several Sampson Parker suffered a stroke of towns in this vicinity and has succeeded old structure."

Venla and will move to Chelses in ent places, for instance, a local paper ent places, for instance, a local paper "Dearest," he said as he swung to and says that the Smith College girls get fro upon the gate, "I wish I might lin-

who studies out the signs of the Zodisc, and who can tell all about the Great Bear and has drank colestial wis-Dipper, tells us that there will be noeclipse of the moon this year, and but one more of the sun, -Ann Arbor

Dr. S. M. Hartley was severely of great perfection. burned about her face and hands Sat- as a base to a slender cross of urday afternoon. A cup which was placed the immense and wonderful ruby supposed to contain water, but which chased at Peking at the price of 120,had kerosene in it, was emptied onto 600 rubles. the furnace fire and the finnes burst on Mrs. Hartley burning her quite badly. She is, however, recovering from the socident and will experience no bad effects from it-Ann Arbor

council. At their last meeting a man if at all, known in England at that time. tained at the home of C. T. Conklin who had received injuries by falling on a walk and had asked for but \$25 dam-Many of our friends from Francisco ages, was allowed that amount. The sustain the odors of sulphur and other attended the evening service at our committee reported that the injured disinfectants without apparent injury. man had no legal case against the vil- Only turpentine, chloroform and amluge, but masmuch as he asked for such a small sum the committee begged to report in favor of the allowance, and an appropriation for the

> back, one shot striking her in the left February 24. side. On investigation it was found Presidential inauguration, Washington charged. York cor. Ann Arbor Dem- ton not later than March 8.

anxious to get into business for him- ports that he finds business better at presand imagines himself one of the lead- says a Chester County (Penna.) exchange. ing men of the community. These conceptions usualy arise from an who is working every hour that he is musicians, and teachers which are annuawake to make enough to pay his running expenses. It frequently hap. pens on balancing the accounts, that he has the business but somebody else has had the benefit. Dont be in a hurry, boys, to branch out unless you have plenty of capital to pay for your

experience_Ex The following graphic description of the awful work of the fire fiend was penned by the editor of the Grass Lake News: "The structure occupied by the flagman at the Lake street crossing last week. When the devouring element was first discovered our citizens were buried in slumber. The fire bell was the first to give warning, followed by the bell in the Baptist spire. Our Stimson's drug store. citizens thus rudely startled from their slumbers, hurnedly assumed their habiliments and with the utmost haste gathered at the scene of the conflagra- to sell or rent? Do you wish to buy tion. Owing to the tinder-like nature or rent farm or village property? of the building the flames ran rapidly Have you money to loan on good seup the exterior to the cornice, whence curity? Do you wish to borrow mona thousand fiery tongues curled madly ey? Do you want insurance against William Wood, a former North over and began to leap up the roof, fire, lightning or windstorms? If so, before we punctured his Baloon with our Lakeite, is the proud father of a little The firemen were equal to the emer- call on N. E. Freer, Real Estate Agent underbuy, undersell prices. gency, and in a shorter time than it Chelsea, Mich. Terms, reasonable. takes to tell it, had two 11 inch streams playing on the seething mass from which great sheets of flame shot heavenward. It was a sublime spectacle! The weird flood of crimson for consumption, coughs and colds. Exlight flushed over the surrounding periment with many others, but never huildings, bringing every object it got the true remedy until we used Dr. strong relief; and even the crests of King's New Discovery. No other remethe midnight waves as they rolled in dy can take its place in our home, as in a serious accident caused by runaway on the south beach of Grass Lake, it we have a certain and sure cure for of Hood's Pills, which are turned red in the awful glare and coughs, colds, whooping cough, etc." It looked like great billows of blood. Toward the last the heavy cornice fell bringing down a part of the building with it, and the crowd was excited and shocked by a loud cry that several sides is guranteed. It never fails to satfiremen were under the burning ruins. isfy. Trial bottles free at Glazier & Stim-Ready hands braved everything to ex- son's drug store, tend relief, but a moment later it was discovered to be a false alarm. However, there were several narrow escapes during the progress of the conflagrabut luckily no casulties. Damage Michigan Central set men to work at once to remove the the debris and a

Pay the printer now.

to help him loose.

The geranium expresses preferen The idea has not, so far as known, any said that Henry VIII first showed marked preference for Anne Buleyn by giving her a bunch of red flowers. So Northville has a unique village persons have supposed these flowers to be geraniums, but the plant was little,

> A fly is almost invincible. It will surnonia can get the better of a fly.

Thirty days are required for mail to travel between New York and Bushire.

Michigan Central Excursions

Michigan Club annual meeting and Mrs. Elam Fuller of Dexter street, banquet, at Detroit February 22; Michihad a narrow escap one day last week, gan League of Republican clubs meet-While bending over the wood-box for ling at Detroit, February 22; Republia stick of wood to put in the stove, the can state convention at Detroit February charge from a gun came through the side of the house, passing just over her round trip. Date of sale's, February 22 and 23: Limit of return not later than

that a boy working for them had an ax D. C., March 4. A rate of one first-class and a gun on the same shoulder, and limited fare for the round trip. Dates through some carelessness the two be- of sale March 1, 2, 3. Limit of return, came entangled and the gun was dis- tickets good returning leaving Washing-

Demand for Chester Whites

The average young man is always A breeder of Chester White pigs reself. He has visons of immense profit ent than it has been for a long while, A few mornings ago he had an order for twenty-two specimens, and that same evignorance of the business, which of The pigs were shipped to New England People who used to buy Tile and Lumitself is an unfitness for the coveted where the flavor of the Boston bean is ber of the old time 500 per center's, and said to be greatly improved if a tender mortgage their farm to pay the bill, will failure. In these times the man who juicy slice of Chester White pork is baked be glad to learn that The Glazier Stove is drawing a fair salary has the ad- in the same pot. Thus Massachussetts Co. have made a big hole in the old time vantage over the average business man receives its return for the elecutionists prices, by not charging for the holes in ally sent down to Pennslyvania. We are informed the first-class Chester Whites Lime, 50 cents per barrel of the Glazier can be obtained from Potts Bros., Parksburg, Chester Co., Pa., as well as Scotch Collie dogs and poultry.

Send your address to H. E. Bucklen & Co., Chicago, and get a free sample box and long for a return of the good old years and it has given such universal safe will convince you of their merits. These pills are easy in action and are particularly effective in the cure of constipation and sick headache. For malaria and liver troubles they have been proved in this village, caught fire and was invaluable. They are guaranteed to be partially consumed on Friday night of perfectly free from every deleterous substance and to be purely vegetable. They do not weaken by their action, but by giving tone to the stomach and bowels greatly invigorate the system. Regular size 25c. per box. Sold by Glazier &

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Mortgage Sale.

DEFAULT having been made in the ditions of a mortgage executed by Luke Jordan to Patrick Jordan, dated December 3, A. D., 1893, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Washtenaw County, Michigan, on the 30th day of December, A. D., 1893, in Liber 81 of Mortgages on page 557, by which default the power of sale contained in said mortgage became operative and no suit or proceeding in law or equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof, and the sum of one hundred and eighteen and thirty-five hundredths dollars (\$118.35) being now claimed to be due on said mortgage, notice is therefore here due on said mortgage, notice is thereby given that said mortgage will be by a sale of the mortgaged premises therescribed, or so much thereof as may be new for said county is holden, the premises described in said mortgage as follows: Commencing on the north line of section twelve in the township of Sylvan in said County of Washtenaw, where the center of Main street in the village of Chelsea in said township intersects the said north line of section twelve, and running thence west along the section line sixteen rods thence south fourteen rods and four and one haif feet, thence east sixteen rods to the center of said Main street, thence north along the center of Main street fourteen rods and four and one-haif feet to the place of beginning. Dated January 20, Mortgage A. D., 1857.

D. B. Taylor, Attorney for Mortgagee.

STATEOF MICHIGAN, COUNTY OF WASHtenaw, s.c. The undersigned having been pounted by the Probate Court for said county

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LaFayette Grange is holding its regutar meeting at the Lima town hall to-

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Cummings are now at home in their new residence on Jef. ferson street.

William Rheinfrank who has been sick for the past three weeks is now nearly in \$200. convalescent.

A regular meeting of Olive Chapter, O. E. S., will be held Wednesday even ing, February 17

The B. Y. P. U. social which was to have been held Friday evening has been ndefinitely postponed.

August Neuberger suffered a stroke of in a critical condition.

The members of the Y. O.G. went to the residence of John Howe, Friday evening where all enjoyed a good time. Don't forget the donation at the Town

Hail next Wednesday evening for the benefit of Rev. J. H. Girdwood and fami-Francis Beeman drew forty-one cords

of second growth oak from his farm to this place last week. The work was done with three teams.

There will be a free-seat offering given by the M. E. church and society at the town hall. Friday evening, February 26. All are invited.

A Michigan Day program is in preparation, and will be given in the near future. It will be for the benefit of the soldier's monument fund.

The W. R. C. will hold their regular meeting, Friday afternoon, at 2:80. A large attendance is desired for special business will be transacted.

There will be a special review of Columbian Hive No. 284, next Tuesday ev ening, February 16 at 7:30 sharp. A large attendance of members is desired.

Born-To Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Allyn of East Albany, N. Y., on February 2, 1897, a daughter. Mr. and Mrs. Allyn were formerly residents of this place.

windows clean, by gazing at the beautiful valentines that are therein displayed.

F. C. Mapes gave an informal supper at the Chelsea House Saturday evening in honor of Miss Ella Koons of Stockbridge. An enjoyable evening was passed by all.

17th for the benefit of Rev. J. H. Girdwood. Supper from 5 to 9 o'clock. All are cordially invited.

The Epworth League will hold its business meeting Friday evening, February 12th. After the business session there will be a valentine social. Refreshments served free: Valentines 5 to 10 cents

Miss Davidson of Ann Arbor assisted by local talent will give an entertainment in the near future at the Baptist church. Miss Davidson recites in Irish, Dutch and Negro and comes well recommended. Watch for the date and also the price of admission. It will surprise you.

The marriage of Miss Bertha Miller and Mr. Isa ic A. Stephens was quietly celebrated Tuesday evening at the home of the bride No. 1045 Wabash avenue. Mr. and Mrs. Stephens left immediately after the ceremony for Owosso, going thence to Chelsea, where they will make their future home.—Detroit Free Press.

We would be pleased to receive sketchteresting, and serve to show the younger their future home, generation the privations and dangers through which the pioneers passed in order that they might build a home for held at St. Paul Minn., last September 3 them and their children. Send in your and 4, the W. R. C. accepted the gift of experiences.

will meet at the town hall, village of kept in sacred trust. It is about fifteen Chelsea, on Saturday, Feb. 13, 1897, at 3 hundred feet away from the national p. m., for the purpose of electing 14 del- cemetery where thousands of our union egates to the county convention, to be soldiers are buried. The English guard held at Ann Arbor on the 16th day of with reverent care the Black Hole of February, 1897, and to transact such oth- Calcutta, where a few missionaries and er business as may properly come before their families lost their lives by persethe convention.

don, for the month ending February 4; where so many thousand of our brave Attending every day; Lillie Parks, Alta Skidmore, James Young, Grace Collins, Calista Boyce, Verne Beckwith; standing 95—Kate and Floresco Collins, Calista Boyce, Verne Beckwith; standing 95—Kate and Floresco Collins, Calista Boyce, Verne Beckwith; standing 95—Kate and Floresco Collins, California and Standard Or out of the boys perished from hunger and thirst. Here deep pits still remain, one of them thirty-five feet deep that they dug with their hands and bits of tin and bones their hands are the boys perished from hunger and thirst. 95-Kate and Florence Collins, Calista without success, and it is told that such a Boyce, Madge Young; 30—Genevieve and James Young; 35—Grace Collins, Italitude, that the Lord veiled himself in a black cloud over Andersonville prison, and sent down thunderbotts and calists Boyce have not missed a word in written spelling during the month; Genevieve Young, Italitude, that the Lord veiled himself in a black cloud over Andersonville prison, and sent down thunderbotts and celf the earth and rocks and a spring, and it is still that such a black cloud over Andersonville prison, and sent down thunderbotts and celf the earth and rocks and a spring during the month; Genevieve Young, Italitude, that the Lord veiled himself in a black cloud over Andersonville prison, and sent down thunderbotts and celf the earth and rocks and a spring, and it is still running free people Believe what they read open during the month; Genevieve Young, and sent down thunderbotts and celf the earth and rocks and a spring, and it is still running free, pure, and whether the prison, and sent down thunderbotts and celf the earth and rocks and a spring, and it is still running free, pure, and whether the prison, and sent down thunderbotts and celf the earth and rocks and a spring, and it is still running free, pure, and whether the prison, and sent down thunderbotts and celf the earth and rocks and a spring, and it is still running free, pure, and whether the prison, and sent down thunderbotts and celf the earth and rocks and a spring, and it is still running free, pure, and whether the prison, and sent down thunderbotts and celf the earth and rocks and a spring open during free, pure, and it is still running free, pure, and it is still ru

There will be a donation for the benefit of Rev. J. S. Edmunds and family at Congregational church on Wednesday evening, February 24. Light refreshments and a program will be furnished. All are cordially invited.

D. B. Taylor will leave on Monday afernoon to attend the Grand, Lodge A. O. U. W. in Detroit and will be chairman of the committee on credentials. Mrs. Wm. Martin received a check for \$2000, on Wednesday from Chelsea Lodge No, 671 A. O. U. W. That was the amount carried by her late husband in that lodge. He was a member 17 years and paid

On cold days is it not better to blanket your horses while stopping? Why leave the poor animal standing almost perishing in the raw wind? "A merciful man is merciful to his beast." Some men will drive into town, find a place out of the wind for their team, and cover them up warm with blankets, while others will pay no attention to the comfort of their horses leaving them for hours apoplexy Sunday evening. He still lies uncovered in the cold.—Ann Arbor Cour-

> The fad among girls is the autograph handkerchlef. The fair faddist takes a plain linen handkerchief or it may have a handsome lace border. The "Mouchoir" is passed around among her male acquaintances who are requested to write their autograph upon it in lead pencil. The pencil marks are then worked over with bright colored silks. The handkerchief when filled with autograps makes a very pretty ornament for a table or bureau.

The market has held its own since one week ago and wheat now brings 83c, rye 31c, oats 15c, barley 60c beans 40 to 45c with the discounts, clover seed \$4, dressed hogs \$3, potatoes 13c, onions 60c, butter 10c, eggs 12c. There is an impression that beans may do a little better later when they are not, crowded on market so much. It is tolerably plain that no dollar wheat will be sold and most farmers would now sell at 90c and some for less, Business continues dull and receipts moderate.

The citizens of Chelsea and farmers of the county within a reasonable distance should awake to the interest now being put forth to secure a butter and ice-cream factory at this place. It should for this on the above date not knowing not be confounded with the old system, as the separator process is as much more perfect as the roller process of flouring is over the old millstone method. The work is progressing and can be made a good investment by the proper patron-Now the children are making it impos- age and management as there is and will ible for our storekeepers to keep their be a constant demand for the product at Detroit and elsewhere.

Mrs. Mary Stapish, widow of the late George M. Stapish, died last Sunday morning, February 7, 1897, after a long and painful illness. Mrs. Stapish was one of the pioneers of Chelsea. She was a gentle, amiable woman, who was greatly loved by all who knew her. She has There will be a donation at the Baptist been in poor health for some time. Her church, Wednesday evening February funeral was held from St. Mary's church Chelsea, on Wednesday, Feb. 10, 1897, at 10 a. m. A large congregation of relatives and friends was present. The Rev. W. P. Considine officiated and preached an admirable sermon. The remains were laid to rest in Mt. Olivet cemetery, Chelsea. Her children have the deep sympathy of all in the loss of a good, kind and affectionate mother. May good, kind and affectionate mother. May her soul rest in peace.

At St. Mary's church, Chelsea Tuesday, February 9, 1897, at 7 a. m., Mr. William D. Fox of Detroit and Miss Susan M. Howe were married by the Rev. William P. Considine. The attendants were Mr. Ignatine Howe a cousin of the bride, and Miss Mary Howe of Chicago, sister of the bride. After the ceremony at the church the bridal party went to the Chelsea House where breakfast was served. Mr. and Mrs. Fox left on the mail train for Bay city for a brief wedding trip. Mrs. Fox who is a native of Chelsea and well and favorably known here, has many friends in her old home, who unite in tendering to herself and husband hearty congratulations for a long and happy life. Mr Fox is one of es of pioneer life from any of our older Detroit's most successful lawyers, and in people. These sketches are always in the metropolis he and his wife will make

At the Fourteenth national convention the Andersonville prison property, from the Grand Army of the Republic of the The republicans of Sylvan township state of Georgia, on condition that it be cution during the Sepoy rebellion. Shall not the patriotic people of this United Report of school in district No. 5, Lyn- States guard with sacred care the place

Ed Gallagher has returned to his home

Miss Mary Wunder is visiting friends

Howard Congdon is visiting his parents at Dexter.

Mrs. Sarah Beech of Grass Lake Is visiting friends here.

A. R. Congdon of Dexter was a Chelsea visitor Monday. Rudolph Knapp spent a few days of

last week in Battle Creek. Mrs. Jas. S. Gorman entertained Mrs.

Burg of Ann Arbor Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Jay Everett are visiting their children at Stockbridge.

Mrs. Ed. Clark of Ypsilanti spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. M. Hunter.

Mrs. H. H. Fenn has been visiting friends at Jackson and Grass Lake. Mr. and Mrs. Payson Crafts of Grass

Lake spent Wednesday at this place. Miss Jessie West of Ann Arbor is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. R. A. Snyder. Miss Jessie Higgins of Detroit is the

guest of Miss Kate Hooker this week. Royal Royce of Jackson spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. Abbie Eastman.

Mrs. Wm. Rheinfrank and Miss Ella Schlimmer spent Sunday at Bridgewater. G. P. Rheinfrank of Detroit spent the first of the week here with his brother

C. S. Cummer who has been spending the past month with his brother has returned to his home at Albany, N. Y.

The annual "free seat offering" of the Methodist church, will be held Friday evening, February 26. A note of explanation may be necessary in regard to the donation of the Congregational church, and the Methodist 'free seat offering' coming in the same week. The Methodists arranged anything of the other, and the reasons for holding it on this date, is because their second quarterly meeting will be Sunday, February 28, and they wish to Friends of The Standard, who pay all deficiencies at the quarterly conference to be held February 27.

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SCHOOL NOTES.

The I. O. B. G.'s organized Tuesday

The chemistry class is very busy experimenting this week. Miss Bernice Hong has been a visitor

of the third grade this week. The senior entertainment is near at hand. Watch for announcement,

Lillie Wackenhut of the class of '96, called at the high school, Friday.

The third grade is studying the fox and to make the study more interesting Mr. Fox was there in person.

The plane geometery class has a scholar that thinks he can prove al! triangles equal. Don't you think the Chelsea High school will soon excel the Uni-

One of our young ladies was seen wandering around the school room Monday with but one shoe on. Will not some kind friend who wears a number seven please lend her one for few

The members of the high school were startled out of their accustomed quiet a few days ago by the astounding information given in the civil government class to the effect that the United States was the largest limited monarchy in the

Without doubt the Cubans will be glad to hear of the recent decision rendered in their favor by a member of the civil government class. The question was asked-"What are some of the republics of to-day?" A hand in the front part of the class was raised and frantically shaken-"What is it?" Reply-"Cuba's a republic and if she ain't she's goin' to be."

Ry-o is a celebrated health drink com posed of healthful grains and gluten and charcoal fluids, prepared by a new evaporated process. Goes as far as two pounds of coffee. Sold for 15 cents per pound. Sold by Glazier & Stimson, J. S. Cummings and L. T. Freeman.

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Bt. Valentine! St. Valentine! Be thou my friend this night.

I merenade a dainty maid,
That is my heart's delight.

frosty skies.
That I may see her turn on me
One sweet glance from her eyes.

Beneath her window here I stay as still the moments go, Till I divine by some slight sign She hears my voice below.

St. Valentine! St. Valentine! She does no hear me yet— What's this i see? A sign, dear me! "THIS VACANT HOUSE TO LET!"



When my dear Aunt Maud died-sh died the very summer I graduated-I was really too heart-broken to care what became of me. Still, I had to be disposed of in some way, so it was decided that I go to live with my brother Richard in South

Dick is a bachelor, an attorney-at-law, and has a very fair practice indeed. Anterior to my advent, he had lived by himself in a pretty cottage on the prettiest street, and was rather a central figure, and was quite the most eligible young man about town.

We got on famously together, so famously that in all probability the last chapter would have found us still there, he a grizzly old bachelor, I a grizzled old maid, had not something occurred which

brought about a change. It all grew out of what happened one

St. Valentine's eve. On this day, memorable above other days, just about an hour after dinner Dick received a telegram to go up that evening to A-, a city fifty miles away, to meet an important client. He did not have time to come home, for the train was then in sight, but he scribbled me the following note, which I did not get until nearly night, because the office boy neglected to . bring it until that time:

3:10 p. m. Dear Girl-Have to leave on next train to meet a man in A-.... Probably won't get home till to-morrow noon. Spend the night with the Ancient (a dear old lady friend of mine). Be sure to put that money in the bank before it closes at 4. Den't fail. DICK.

The money-several thousand dollars collected for a client-surely I could not at 7 put money in a bank that closed at 4. I could not very well carry it with me to the Ancient's, and I certainly could not leave it.

I had never heard of any burglaries in the village, so I made up my mind that I would stay at home that night and take the risk.

I did not want any tea, so I let the servant girl go early; and sat before a big oak fire in the sitting room, "thinking up" one of Dick's cases. It was a murder case, that had a great deal of circumstantial evidence leading in various directions. I soon became deeply absorbed; so deeply that I presently went to sleep at it.

I woke up suddenly, frightened to find myself enveloped in darkness. Everything was so still.' I was possessed with a strange, sinking fear. I was afraid to move, afraid to turn my head to left or right lest I see something terrifying lurking in the gloomy corners. I was cold, too, and trembling. The room was chilled; I fancied it must be just before dawn. My fear increased rather than diminished as the moments dragged by. I had a kind of instinctive animal fear of impending danger. I thought of the money. It was locked up in the cabinet at my right hand, not two yards away. I found myself listening painfully, torturously.

I endeavored to rally my courage, to persuade myself that I had awakened from a nightmare, and was nervous. All to no purpose. Something was going to happen which would bring me hurt.

I could not throw off the notion. Just then it began to rain-a regular downfall, as if the bottom had suddenly fallen out of the clouds. I have never known it to rain so heavily. A perfect deluge, and every drop seemed to penetrate my soul. I did not move. I lay back in my cushioned chair helpless, and felt that I could not have raised my hand to my face if my life were the forfeit. Such pouring! I found myself listening behind the rainbehind all the pattering noise-listening for another sound. I had a grotesque idea that the elements and this something that was coming to me, were colleagued together, the one to screen the approach of

I was listening with every fiber of my body drawn taut. Listening for what? I did not know. Something beyond, behind the rain. Then I heard it. A sound distinct from the rain patter. A sound emanating from our little drawing rooma scraping, sawing sound. It came from the front portico. I knew someone was cutting through the Venetian blinds into the house. My faintest doubt vanished soon, when I unmistakably heard the blinds dragged back and the sash creak as it was pushed up. Someone was entering the house! In a twinkling my mind was acutely active, and a thousand ways of escape surged through my brain in a moment. I unlocked the cabinet and grasped the large pocketbook which consained the notes, and thrust it into my

bosom. I clutched the money in my bosom and stepped into the empty fire-place. In another moment I was scrambling up the sooty chimney with the ability of a finished chimney sweep, and I kept scrambling till I had made a strong-

hold for myself. What went on down below I did not know. In the cessations of the rain I could hear the heavy tread passing to and fro in a search, I knew, for that money. But I, from my lofty vantage ground, could only thank heaven again and again for such a blessed deliverance.

I was so benumbed with cold and fright

that I think I lost consciousness, and would probably have tumbled down the chimney but that I was so rigid and so walled in I could not.

The next thing I remember was opening my eyes and seeing the square of wan light above me. Then realizing all, my strength gave way, and I fell heavily, striking my head against something which left me senseless for hours. When I came to myself, I was in the arms of a young man whom I had never seen before.

I don't suppose there was ever a more terrified young man upon this earth of ours. Imagine an inoffensive young man turning up in a town where an intimate friend lived, coming in on the very train that takes this intimate friend out. Imagine the intimate friend cordially inviting the newcomer to his house, telling him there was nobody in it, but that he could put up there, make himself lord and master, find plenty to eat by foraging around, and get a good bed. Then to make the thing complete, give him the wrong keys by which to let himself in. Imagine this newcomer booming about town until 11 o'clock, then striking out for his friend's abode; overtaken by the rain; at last to arrive at his intended abiding place to discover he has the wrong keys, which necessitates his climbing into the house like a burglar. Imagine him piling into the first bed he comes to, very soon sinking off into the untroubled alumber of the innocent at heart, to be awakened at the peep of day by a something tumbling down the chimner. Not a hob-goblin—that were better—but a young woman and one probably more dead than alive. Imagine it all, if you can, for that is what happened to the misguided young man, who held me across his knees and wiped the blood from my broken forehead on that memorable St. Valentine's morn-

When the servant girl came he went for the doctor, and Mary got me to bed. Dick came at noon, and was horrified at what had happened. But the doctor had pronounced me more frightened than hurt; and really, but for the dreadful cold I caught, and my wounded forehead, it did not amount to anything, and soon became a tremendous joke.

And it turned out that this friend of Dick's, whose acquaintance I made in such an unconventional fashion, was the very client whose money I defended.

And it also came about that—that he—

that I-that we have we have grown to know each other very well.—Detroit Free Press.

> A Valentine. Oh, friend of mine? Clusters of blossoms To smile and shine,

Pansles to gladden, Roses to bless; Lilies to bend in Their frail loveliness?

But snow-drifts have hidden All beauty away. Not a smile's in the country. This wintry day.

Everything's waiting To smile by and by When summer's returning With blue sunny sky.

But, dear, I can never Forget you, you know, When winter is frowning, And chilly winds blow.

And love most true.

So, I am sending, Dear heart, to you Wishes most tender

Valentine Making. The lace paper which comes upon toilet soap boxes, raisin boxes and confectionery -often large squares are used to cover the candies in boxes-may be made to play an important part in the valentine making. Strips of this lace paper may be made to finish the four sides of a card, and pictures, stamps or gilt lettering be added to the inner space, or two wide strips may be fastened to opposite sides, meeting in the middle; these are to open back and show a picture or lettering beneath. A square of the lace paper will serve to make a valentine quite equal to those in the stores. One edge of the card is turned forward and the edge of the lace square is pasted over this and forms an upper leaf. A verse, picture or butterflies may decorate the lower leaf and perhaps an embossed picture be added to the lace front. Daintily colored paper is even prettier with these laces than the white.

Ragged Wayside-"Why did yer steal dat scientific paper when dere wuz lots wid gals' pictures in dem lyin' 'round?" Wandering Willy-"I like ter read 'bout de invention of labor-savin' machinery. Dis will be a fine world ter live in when dere's no more work done by hand."-



Nor yet a thing of crimps and laces, Of furbelows and Cupid faces. Ah! is his ticket one that wins? More, more, my friend—a pair of twins.

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Abraham Lincoly

November 19. 1868. COOPER FE

CON CONTRACTOR copy of the Gelysburg address made by him for the soldiers and sailors fair at Baltimore, in 1864.

taiking Uncle Dan, "but when t'other day the 'You tell your boy,' says he, 'I count on boys asked me who I thought the greatest | him to fight.' man, I says 'I don't know. There's Wash-

ington, an' Alexander, an' Napoleon, an' lots of others, but, my way of thinkin', Old Abe Lincoln is ahead of 'em all.' "Greatness isn't jest a bein' stern and solemn-like. Now, Uncle Abraham could hoe his row with any of 'em argyin', an' yet some way he had the swing of them old prophets. That struck me when the war broke out, an' afore I knew it I caught the fever, carried coal oil lamps around with the rest of the crowd, got howlin' about John Brown's body molder

'I'll jine!" "Of course, Billy must stay at home to plow and sow and make the corn and hay. He'd just turned fifteen, but as I marched away, blest if there wasn't ma cryin' in his arms, an' Billy yellin' like mad, 'I want a chance to strike for liberty!' Bless me again! in less than a year if I didn't

ing in the ground, and 'By Jinks,' says I,

hear one day that Billy had enlisted, too. "How I watched that boy! Sometimes praying when he kept by my side in battle, sometimes swearing, too, maybe, when he exposed himself too carelessly. At Vicksburg he fell back, crushed and maimed by the parapet fire, and I took him in my arms and bore him back, an', half crazy with fears, dashed at the fort again. Well, he rallied from the wound, but somehow he never seemed so sound as before. There was a wandering strangeness in his manner, like he didn't 'zactly know his mind, and one night, when skirnflices were daily, an' Sherman an' Hood was trying to get the chance for a winning fight, Billy was placed on picket duty to keep his eyes wide open, but after I'd ly to the outposts, reached a spot close underneath the hill, and my heart stopped, for there was a scuffle, a cry, and I saw the forms of half a hundred men. It wan't no time to think. I raised my gun. The good old musket rang out the alarm, the rebels turned and ran. The boy? There he lay, his form stretched out upon the ground, asleep at his post! "He turned to me- an' put his arm

around me lovingly. 'I couldn't help it,



"I TOOK HIM IN MY ARMS AND BORE HIM BACK."

and marched away between the guards. I begged, I plead, I swore that Billy wasn't like himself. No use. The sentence of the court has been approved. finally the lover ceased to write to her. President.

let me in. They even pushed me back as a carriage drove up. I saw who got out; I tried to attract his attention. 'Who is young girl could have dismissed the hauntthis man? says he. 'Only a soldier after an interview,' says the officer. 'Only a bility that she had wronged him, that he soldier?' says he, musingly. 'Periling his might reappear, that he loved her still. life! Only a soldier, fighting the battles of this awful war! Thank God! to speak to her bed. Her death speedily followed. to me you need no other name. Only a | Lincoln's grief was intense. He was seen soldier? Come in, my man.' And he led me up the stairs, while ministers and generals waited outside.

"I told him, with sobs half choking me, the story of my grief. His face was sad as he listened. He looked over the papers carefully. Then he turned, and smiling gently, said, 'We'll let the other fellows do the killing. I think the country will get along with this young fellow running 'round alive.' And then he wrote: "This sentence disapproved. Restored to

"In six months Billy stood upon the roll

"It was my last hope. They wouldn't | cordial interest in the two lovers, and presaged a happy life for them, and all would undoubtedly have gone well' if the ing memory of her old lover. The possihaunted her so persistently that she took walking alone by the river and through the woods, muttering strange things to himself. He seemed to his friends to be in the shadow of madness. They kept a close watch over him; and at last Bowland furrowed, and he bowed his head ing Green, one of the most devoted friends Lincoln then had, took him home to his little log cabin, half a mile north of New Salem, under the brow of a big bluff. Here, under the loving care of Green and his good wife, Nancy, Lincoln remained until he was once more master of himself.

But though he had regained self-connowadays right his company. A. Lincoln.' Just there I trol, his grief was deep and bitter. Ann smart about the great Napoleon," said lost my grip. I only cried like a baby. Rutledge was buried in Concord Cemetery, a country burying ground, seven miles northwest of New Salem. To this lonely spot Lincoln frequently journeyed as second corporal. Then he became color to weep over her grave. "My heart is bearer of the regiment. We marched buried there," he said to one of his



"ONLY A SOLDIER? COME IN, MY MAN."

where danger hovered thick. I told him through Georgia until we faced the guns | friends. Strange to say, McNamar provof Fort McAlister. A charge was order- ed to be an honest man and a faithful got into my blanket in camp I couldn't ed, but at first the rebels fired at such a sleep. I took my gun and hurried silent- rate that the ranks wavered. Billy, with face aflame, carried the flag far up in the advance, 'Bring back the colors to the regiment!' cried the colonel. Amid the crack and crash of the guns, the boy replied, 'You bring the regiment to the colors!' Then, with shouts and cheers, the brigade rushed madly on, and before they fairly sensed it, the day was won.

"Billy had gone down. They had to pry his fingers loose from the flag. There was a smile on his face a thousand years can't make me forget. 'Redeemed at last, the general came and said, and placed his name among the heroes. They wrapped the Stars and Stripes around my, son. When they put him in his new uniform that night, they found his treasures, and among the rest was a picture of Old Abe, and written on its back were the words, a prophecy, 'I've fought, great friend, and died for liberty!"

LINCOLN'S SWEETHEART.

She Was a Beautiful Kentucky Girl and Had Many Suitors.

Lincoln first met Ann Mayes Rutledge in 1832, when she was 19. She was a beautiful girl and as bright as she was pretty. So fair a maid was not, of course, without suitors. The most determined of those who sought her hand was one John McNeill, a young man who had arrived in New Salem from New York soon after the founding of the town. Ann became engaged to McNeill, but it was decided to put off marriage on account of Ann's youth. After a while McNeill left for his home in the East, saying that he would return in time with his parents. Then it came out that McNeill's real name was McNamar. The New Salem people. tence came. I appealed to the generals. pronounced him an impostor. A few let-

though careless lover.

THE IMMORTAL LINCOLN.

An Apotheosis in His Memorable First Inaugural.

In an epoch of convulsion and cataclysm and chaos Abraham Lincoln was introduced into presidential power. He held to the syllogistic and spurned figurative speech. No fustian found favor in his prejudices.

Coming to the end of his first inaugural, Lincoln reached these words: "In your hands, my fellow countrymen, and not in mine, is the momentous issue of civil war. The Government will not assail you. You can have no conflict without being yourselves the aggressors. You have no oath registered in heaven to destroy the Government, while I shall have the most solemn one to preserve, protect and defend

"I am loath to close. We are no? enemies, but friends. We must not be enemies. Though passion may have strained it must not break our bonds of affection. The mystic chords of memory, stretching from every battlefield and patriot grave to every living heart and hearthstone all over this broad land, will yet swell the chorus of the Union when again touched, as surely they will be, by the better angels of our nature."

Lincoln's Trust in God. "What I did I did after a very full deliberation and under a very heavy and solemn sense of responsibility," said Lin-

coln with reference to the emancipation proclamation. "I can only trust in God I have made no mistake. I shall make no attempt on this occasion to sustain what I have done or said by any comment. It 16 years old. When Napoleon or is now for the country and the world to him to marry and picked out a ent, and may be take action

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interstate Comm ONE WHO WITNESSED GREAT TRAGEDY.

Story of the Man Who Was the l to Reach the Side of the Would President-His Clothing Stained the Blood of the Martyr.

Our Nation's Darkest Day. There now lives in Philadelphia a tleman who saw the whole scene of coln's assassination, and was the fire reach the wounded man in the preva panic. William Flood is the gentler name, and he gave the following gra

act words: "At the time the President was sl said he in answer to a query, "I was it United States navy and was acting aign and executive officer on board steamship Teazer. Captain Silas 0 was the commander, and the ship wa cated at the navy yard on April 14. evening Captain Owen, who had over in the city during the day, to the ship and suggested that we the theater that evening, as Laura K was to play 'Our American Cousin,' the President was to be there. We to the theater and secured seats in parquet or orchestra chairs. The P dent occupied the second box up from orchestra and second from the stage. as the curtain fell on the first act I h a shot and saw a man jump from President's box to the stage. As he ju ed his foot caught in the folds of the that draped the box, and he fell sides on the stage. It was quite a good ju and he came very near falling back the orchestra. He got up and lin away across the stage, brandishin great long knife in his right hand, shouted, 'Sic semper tyrannis,'

"In less time then it takes to tell was on the stage. How I got there the heads of the orthestra I really remember. Just as I reached the s Mrs. Lincoln looked out of the box. was crying and wringing her hands said: "They have shot papa; will no come? I answered that I would co and immediately climbed up the sid the boxes to the one the President of

"The President was sitting as it had fallen asleep. He was breath however, and we at once laid him of floor of the box. I looked for the wo but at first did not discover it. Keene brought a pitcher of water a bathed his forehead with that so as to vive him. I then discovered the wo in the back of his head, where the ball entered, and the blood ran out on my and down the side of my coat. Some s officers brought in a stretcher and he placed on that and carried out. I went to the front of the box and mot ed for the audience to remain quiet. B one was talking, and there was a gen uproar. As soon as it ceased for a mi I told them that the President was alive, but had been shot, and was no mortally wounded. Captain Owens a then went out to the front of the bui and found a platoon of police in street. The sidewalks were so crow with people that we had to get out in middle of the road to get down the st We went to the National Hotel, and the time we got there the mob wa dense we could get no further, so a co of police took us through the hotel street, at the rear, and we got a cab were driven to the navy yard, I w bloody from the wound, my right and arm being covered, that it is a wo that I was not hanged by that mob. I were intensely excited at the time, an

driven them into a frenzy. "The next day our ship went down river to head Booth off, and did not reuntil after he was killed. I was sent for to go down and identify him recognized him very readily as he just from the box as J. Wilkes Booth."

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Talleyrand never was in love once, and that was when he was a him, he pleaded this youthful att ment, which was immediately so Then I went to Washington to see the President.

In the spring of 1835 Ann agreed to become Lincoln's wife. New Salem took a will often kill it dead.

Looking a difficulty square in the face at by the great match-maker as a possible of nonsense.

ABOUTRAIL ROAD TRAVEL is a surprising amount of mis-dan among the people regarding of carrying passengers on rail-ins and to this condition of the d is doubtless due much of the and is doubteen at it favor of lower rates, which at it favor of lower rates, which at expression through bills for policions in the Legislatures of the Western States this win-

S. Eustis, General Passedger the C. B. & Q. R. R., in an arguore the House Committee of the Legislature last week on the bill, gave some valuable and information about the passenin the West. His statements based upon the reports of the Inter-Commerce Commission and the Rail-ind Warehouse Commission of Misad are therefore beyond question ustis showed in the first place that se of passenger traffic on raildependent upon the density and population in the territory which it rens, and then compare tion of Missouri and the traffic from it with the same figures tes, thus clearly illustrating

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report of the Interstate Commerce n referring to the railroads of is lowa, Wisconsin, Minnesota and nt of the Dakotas and Missouri east of the Missouri river shows that the railroads two and three oneadths cents per mile to carry pasers, exclusive of any charge for taxes, interest on mortgages and other of the kind. Mr. Eustis declared two-cent flat rate in Missouri would the average to one and three-quarcents, if not lower,

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ALGER GETS A PRIZE.

MICHIGAN MAN IN M'KINLEY'S CABINET ...

la Offered and Accepts the Position of War Secretary-Has an Honorable War Record and Has Been Governor of His State.

To fucceed Lamont.

Gen. Russell A. Alger, of Michigan, is to be Secretary of War in McKinley's cabinet. Gen. Alger was summoned to Canton, where the portfolio was tendered and accepted. In speaking of the matter Gen. Alger said that not until the interview were there any overtures made to him in connection with the cabinet. He said also that none of the appointments of his department had yet been disposed of or decided upon, and that it would be some time before any announcements in that line could be made.

Gen. Russell A. Alger was born in La-fayette township, Medina County, Ohio, Feb. 27, 1836. His grandfather served in the revolutionary war and is claimed to have been a descendant of William the Conqueror. When 11 years of age both his parents died. For the next seven years he worked on a farm, earning money to defray his expenses at the Richfield. O., academy during the winters. Subsequently he taught school, and in March, 1857, entered a law office in Akron. Two



GEN. RUSSELL A. ALGER.

years later he was admitted to the bar, but abandoned the practice of law the following autumn on account of failing health, and moved to Grand Rapids, Mich., where he engaged in the lumber business, and where in 1861 he was married to Annette H. Henry.

In 1861 Alger enlisted in the Second Michigan Cavalry, and was made captain of Company C. He was wounded in the battle of Booneville, Miss. Owing to his part in this engagement he was promoted to the rank of major. In 1862 he became lieutenant colonel of the Sixth Michigan Cavalny, and in 1863 was made colonel of the Fifth Michigan Cavalry, his regiment being in Custer's famous brigade. In 1864 failing health induced him to retire from the service. He was breveted brigadier and major general "for gallant and meritorious services," and was on private service in 1863-4, receiving orders personally from President Lincoln.

In 1865 he removed to Detroit, where he has since been extensively engaged in lumber and pine land business. Gen. Alger was elected Governor of Michigan in 1884, receiving a plurality of 3,950 votes over Begole (fusionist). His administration of State affairs was considered highly successful. In 1888 he was one of the leading candidates for the Republican nomination for President. Gen. Alger served one term as commander of the G. A. R.



The cases of cholera on board the Nubia, at Plymouth, have been confined to

Queen Victoria has donated £500 to the India famine relief fund, which has been opened by the Lord Mayor of London. Serious floods have occurred in the Isla and of Montserrat, resulting in the loss of seventy-five lives and the destruction of

roads and bridges. The revenue of Newfoundland for the first six mouths of the fiscal year exceeds that for the same period of the previous

year by \$100,000. Hungary has given formal notice to Austria of its intention to terminate the customs and commercial convention be-

tween Austria and Hungary. The lighting of certain of the London prisons by electricity is under consideration, and it is proposed to erect a special description of trend wheel to supply the

motive power. The Italian general medical council has lust presented a request to the Government the effect of which is that all foreign doctors shall be prohibited from practicing in Italy.

A great bush fire has been raging in the county of Montagu, in Tasmania, and the township of Pengana has been nearly destroyed. Hundreds of people have been rendered homeless and the damage done is estimated at £15,000.

A few weeks ago the German firm of Friedrich Krupp presented £10,000 to the workmen's pension fund of their works, and now a further donation of £25,000 has been made to the fund for the widows

and orphans of their officials. It is reported that Count Muravieff, the newly appointed Russian minister of foreign affairs, has been charged to formally invite President Faure to St. Pet-

Gastaff Wolff, acting German consul at Tacoma, Wash, was married to Miss Christiana Smith of Chicago, who arriv-ed from the East a few hours before the

Intimate friends of the late Alexander Dumas, fils, have resolved to keep the re-membrance of the dramatist alive in their sus bureaus and creating a department to The Messenger, waters, m. MARRY membrance of the dinner every three be known as the latter ment, with a committee in Paris.

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The Corbett - Fitzelmmons Contest Very Probable Now.

WILL FIGHT IN NEVADA

When the Nevada Legislature passed an act last winter permitting the licensing of boxing exhibitions in that State and the Governor had promptly signed it, Dan Stuart immediately announced that the great encounter between Corbett and Fitzsimmons would come off there on March 17. Dan Stuart has since announced that the fight will positively come off on that date.

There is general rejoicing among the California sporting men over the news that the Nevada Legislature has passed the bill licensing glove contests. It is generally understood there that Dan Stuart and other promoters of prize fights will make their headquarters there and devote their attention to pulling off big mills. The first will be the Corbett-Fitzsimmons affair. Hall, Maher, Choynski and other big men will also be in demand. The welterweight championship will at least have | a chance to be settled.

Both Corbett and Fitzsimmons are expressing themselves as well pleased over the prospect of meeting in Nevada. They will soon depart for that State and finish training. Leading sporting men of the country are confident that the fight will be pulled off and that it will be the greatest pugilistic contest the world has even seen.

Three Nevada towns are mentioned as likely to be selected for the battle ground Reno, Virginia City and Carson City. But those who are known to be close to Dan Stuart agree that Carson City will be the place.

Carson City, the capital of Nevada, is at the extreme western part of the State. It has a population of about 5,000 is twenty-one miles south of Virginia City and thirty-one miles south of Reno. It is more than 3,000 miles from New York, and an unlimited excursion ticket for the railroad trip alone will cost the boxing enthusiasts who journey from the East more than \$1,000. Two special trains will leave Chicago, carrying more than 500 men who desire to see the fight.

Al Smith, who is aiding Stuart in arranging this big fistic encounter, said: 'Dan Stuart's expenses will be probably \$40,000-\$15,000 for the purse, \$10,000 for erecting the arena and \$15,000 for outside matters. He will unquestionably erect a building capable of seating 20,000 persons. Supposing that half of that number attend, which seems a certainty, his gate receipts alone, besides what he will receive from the railroads, will amount to \$150,000, at an average admission fee of \$15. This will leave him a profit of more than \$100,000, not counting his profits from the kinetoscope." Peter Maher will be matched to fight either Choynski or Tom Sharkey.

SALVATION ARMY'S NOBLE WORK Thousands of New York's Homeless

Find Shelter in Its Buildings. The number of men in New York City who are without a home and the necessary means to purchase food for themselves, on account of lack of employment, a New York correspondent says, is something appalling. With all its boasted public and private charities, there are thousands of human beings in the metropolis who are to-day suffering the cruel pangs of hunger. The Salvation Army has been doing a noble Christian work among these homeless, penniless creatures for the past two weeks, and it is no exaggeration to say that were it not for the grand work of Commander Booth-Tucker and his corps of assistants the number of deaths from hunger and cold would be large.

Commander Booth-Tucker was in Chicago and there saw the great suffering of the homeless because of the cold weather. He offered all the buildings in the control of the Salvation Army to the Mayor of Chicago and his offer was accepted with thanks. Realizing that the suffering among the poor of New York must be infinitely greater, he telegraphed to Mayor Strong the use of all the army buildings and meeting places as a shelter for those who needed it. Hundreds of the city's homeless have flocked to the different shelters every night since, and after spending a night there are each given a piece of bread and a cup of coffee or a dish of soup. In six nights no fewer than 10,000 men found accommodations, the number running above 2,000 on nights when the cold was more severe. The army efficers extend a hearty welcome to all, irrespective of creed, color or nationality, and their only regret is that they have not larger and better accommodations.



The President has approved the act to withdraw from the Supreme Court jurisdiction over criminal cases not capital, and confer the same on the Circuit Court of Appeals.

Gen. William Price Craighill, chief of engineers, after a most brilliant military and scientific record, will be retired on his own application, under the forty years' service law. It is the intention of the House Com-

mittee on Coinage, Weights and Measures to authorize a favorable report on a bill providing for the use of the metric system in the United States.

The House Committee on Elections, which has charge of the Georgia contest brought by Thomas E. Watson against Judge J. C. C. Black, decided to postpone its decision for a week.

Senator Perkins, of California, introduced a bill which is intended to pave the way to the establishment of a bureau or a department of the Government to be devoted to the mining industry.

The House Committee on Public Lands ordered a favorable report on a bill to authorize the entry and patenting of lands oils under the placer mining laws. The House Committee on Military Af-

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Senate bill to place the four survivors of the Lady Franklin Bay expedition on the retired list of enlisted men of the navy. Senator Chandler introduced a bill permanently consolidating the labor and cenment, with a commissioner at its head.

FROM EXPOSURE

DURING THE WAR OF THE RE-BELLION:

Veteran's Own Version of His Troubles From the Commercial, Mattoon, Ill.

Henry Clegg is a well-known real es-Army man, and served in Company C. Sixty-seventh Indiana Infantry, during

the war of the rebellion.

Like many other soldiers, Mr. Clegg did not pass through the ordeal of soldier life scathless, having twice during his service been in hospital from illness brought on brought on by exposure, the seeds of which he carried into private life, the same taking exceedingly deep root, in the shape of rheumatism and disease of the

During an interview Mr. Clegg made During an interview Mr. Clegg made the following statement to a reporter:

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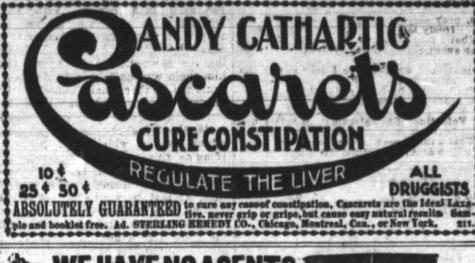
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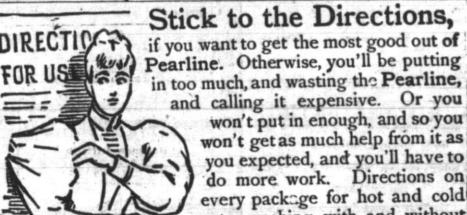






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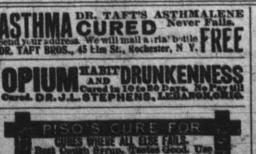
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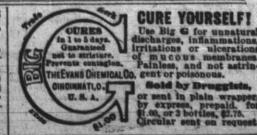


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A dear little fellow, the fairies love best. Lullaby, lullaby, lullaby! Pearls in the deep, Stars in the sky, Dreams in our sleep. So, lullaby!

TIME FOUND HER OUT

-F. D. Sherman in Ladies' Home Journal.

He loved her. He meant to tell her so, and the moment for doing so had come. The fluffy golden head was very near, a few words had been spoken, when the door opened and Ella Stanton entered.

A frown clouded the brow of Dr. Ralph Stanton, the eminent young physician who everybody declared would make his fortune in his profession, and pretty Nellie Saville escaped, glad to hide her flushed cheeks from her cousin's jealous eyes.

Mrs. Stanton threw herself languidly into the depths of an easy chair. "So I have found you at last, my dear Ralph. I have been seeking you for the last hour."

He hated this woman in spite of her dark, witching beauty. His uncle had found that beauty irresistible and by a late marriage robbed his nephew of the quarter of a million which he had taught him to expect would one day be his.

"You are cross. I wanted your society-nothing more. Is there anything strange in that?"

"What did you want with me?" he

"Most flattering of you, my dear aunt, I am sure."

It was Mrs. Stanton's turn to frown. "Don't call me by that hateful name. If I did marry your uncle, you might remember that I am not yet 25. By the way, Nellie Saville quits the teens next week.

"Indeed!"

"Yes. Charming girl, isn't she? Really, Ralph, if you should see the dismal hole of a parsonage where that girl's parents live you would feel grateful to me for my compassionate generosity in taking her from it for a little while. Are you going to Lady Campbell's this afternoon, Ralph?" "No. I detest tea and tennis."

"So do I. Besides, I have a headache. Will you prescribe for me?"

After the majority of Mrs. Oakbrook's guests had departed for Campbell House Dr. Stanton was pacing the lawn with Sir John Dobby, smoking eigarettes and talking politics, and indoors his relative occupied a velvet lounge and tried to read the last new novel.

He came to her at last, but it was with a serious face and an open telegram in his hand.

"My sister has met with an accident, Levison wants me to go at once." "Oh, Ralph! Is it serious? You will

return here?' "I think not," he returned, replying to the latter question. "You will come to Melton Willows at

Christmas, Ralph?" "I really cannot promise. Goodby!" She sat there until the sound of the horse's hoofs had died away. Then she crossed the room and looked at the notes

he had written. One was for his hostess

-apology and explanation, of coursebut the other was for Miss Saville. A moment's hesitation; then she tore it DEAR MISS SAVILLE-Before you see this you will know the reason of my sudden departure. But I cannot wait until our next meeting for the answer to the question I should have asked you this morning if Mrs. Stanton's entrance had not prevented ma from doing so. I want you to be my wife, Nellie; my loved and hon

your loving but impatient A small fire burned in the grate. She put the letter into her pocket and burned the envelope.

ored wife. Will you? Write yes or no soon to

"Dear Ralph," murmured the lady. "I want you to write to him for me, Nellie. He promised to let me know not had time. He does not know your handwriting, I think."

Very soon Ella Stanton had dictated a gushing, affectionate letter, and with blanching cheeks Nellie had written it. "Don't close it new, Nellie, Throw it aside. There is only one other that

need be written now." "What is it?" Nellie asked a trifle

"Why, you know, dear, Mr. Graham wants me to open the Brixton bazaar, but I really don't feel equal to the task. I must write to decline. But he always laughs at nerves, and I do so hate being laughed at,"

My DEAR FRIEND—I have thoughtfully considered the subject and must decline the honor. I am grieved beyond expression to disappoint you; but, feeling as I do, I cannot act otherwise. However, I feel confident that you will meet with one worthier than I; that what I cannot grant she will joyfully concede. Only one thing I ask—that this shall in no way interfere with the friendly relations which have always existed between us,

"I think it is making too much of little thing, Ella. You will sign it, of

"No, dear. Do it for me-only ini-The price of The Outlook is three alike, is it not—Ella Stanton and Elinor in very gently some cold cream, perdollars a year in advance, or less than Saville? There, now, dear, just run up fumed or not, as you fancy. In the stairs and see if Louise has mended that

lace I tore last night."

her. Jealousy had quickened her mem ory. She knew it by heart.

Refolding it, she inclosed it with that other in an envelope addressed in Nellie's pretty, graceful, caligraph to "Ralph Stanton, Esq.," and sealed it

It was necessary to destroy the missive originally intended for Ralph and to in-dite another one to Mr. Graham if discovery was to be avoided.

Two years later Dr. Stanton was journeying northward. The London season was over, and the famous physician had been on the point of starting for his holiday-when he was summoned by telegram to Sir Christopher Knott, a wealthy patient brimming over with gout and

Thinking? It was dreaming-dreaming of a slim, petite figure and fluffy golden hair and gloriously blue eyes! Yes, though she had refused him he loved her still. Her home was at Grim-

Would be see her? What folly! Doubtless she was married, and, if not, had she not told him in the cruel little letter, which was even now in the breast pocket of his coat, that it could never

"Grimstone! Grimstone!" shouted a porter, and so his reflections came to an end, but only to awaken into lively interest. From a second class carriage a girl alighted—a girl in a neat little hat and gray dust cloak. Underneath that hat was a piquant little face and a clustering fringe of fluffy golden curls.

Nellie was alone in the drawing room.

Suitors had wooed in vain. She was the orthodox clergyman's daughter, with

to Oakbrook two years ago, when the waiting maid brought in a card—"Dr. Stanton."

"This is, indeed, a pleasant surprise," she said with a rosy flush that told its own story. "I am sorry mamma is not at home.

"I am staying in the neighborhood professionally and could not leave without calling on you. It is the privilege of friendship, and you desired that we continue friends."

Nellie looked puzzled. "I do not understand you. What do you mean?" "I beg your pardon for the allusion,

Miss Saville, but you cannot have forgotten? The words were in your letterletter I have kept because you wrote it, in spite of its contents." "Indeed, you are under a mistake.

"Then you never wrote this or received this?" And he placed in her hand the two unfortunate letters.

never wrote to you in my life."

When the primroses looked like stars in the grass and the air was filled with the odor of violets, a wedding took place at Grimstone church. And three months later a society journal announced that Mrs. Stanton, widow of the late George Stanton, Esq., of Melton Willows, Berks, had bestowed heart and hand upon Count Horenza, an impecunious Italian nobleman.—Odds and Ends.

A Ranchman's Luck.

A story is told about a panther that was trapped by Luke Anderson, who has a small ranch in the Smut Creek valley of the Big Horn mountains. Smut creek is a small stream about five miles long, flowing through the ranch from a series of springs up among the mountains. Near one of these springs Luke set his trap, a big steel affair weighing 17 pounds and usually used for big bears.

Luke thought that panthers were stending his sheep, and that they lived somewhere among the thickets about the headwaters of the creek. He went to the trap on four successive days, but found that nothing had disturbed it. He skipped the fifth day.

On the sixth day, when he approached the trap from down stream, he heard a groaning sound and the rustling of leaves. He peered over a rock at the place he had set his trap.

The place had been disturbed somewhat, Every small bush within five yards was torn up by the roots. A dead, rotten log that had served as a side of the trap pen was torn and scattered about in fragments. The ground itself had been ripped up and plowed clear to the bed rock two feet beneath. No trap or beast was in sight. Luke looked about quickly. He could hear the groans, and they sounded uncomfortably close.

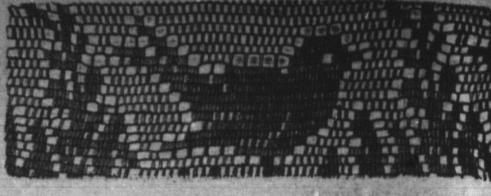
On the far side of the rock behind which he was Luke saw the tips of the ears of an animal. Luke slid out of that quickly. He backed away with rifle cocked and made a detour of several how his sister was, but I suppose he has rods. Then, to his surprise, he saw, not one, but two panthers. One of the two had its leg in the trap. The other was beside it, licking down the trapped one's neck tenderly, as an old cat licks a kitten. The wounded one was groaning.

Luke shot the untrapped one and then killed the other. He found that the trapped animal was a male, with an ngly face. The other was a sleek coated

The Spider Reasoned.

A gentleman said that some time before he had broken the guy of a large spider's web. The spider came out of his den, made a careful examination of the accident—for accident he evidently took it to be—and then what? Resecured his web by two guys instead of with one, both of them differently attached from the one that was broken. I am "dead sure" that the spider reasoned. -Dog Fancier.

The simplest and surest remedy for blackheads is the bathing of one's face every night with very hot water, drying water and soap and then give it a bath A moment more, and Raiph Stanton's in tepid water, so that all the soapsuds simple. honest letter lay open before may be removed.



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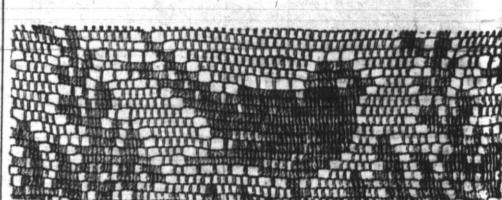
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