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FOR THIS WEEK

WE OFFER EVERY
JACKET OR CAPE
AT COST OR LESS.

One lot this year's Jackets were \$7.00 to \$8.50,
Now \$4.00.

One lot of new Jackets were \$10.00, now \$6.00.

All-wool suits good quality cloth \$7.50 and \$8.50,
were \$10.00 to \$12.00.

Men's or women's underwear 25c.

Big lot of children's underwear assorted kind, as
follows:

Age.	1	2	3	5	7	9	11	13	15
Price.	10	12	15	18	20	25	25	25	25

These are very cheap.

All linen crash 4 1/2. Fine bleached crash 3 1/2. Very best brown linen crash 12 1/2.

Red table damask 19c. Best red table damask 37 1/2c.

15c drab silesia 11c. Best lining cambrics 4c.

6c unbleached outing remnants 4c. 10c colored outing remnants 7 1/2c.

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7c Argyle brown sheeting 5c. 6c Uncle Remus brown sheeting 4c.

6c best prints 5c. 5c prints 4c.

15c silkline for comfortables 10c. Light colored shirting prints 2 1/2c.

Double width bleached or brown sheeting or pillow casings at less than value.

Best Granulated Sugar 20 lbs for \$.00.

Coats' 200 yd. Thread 3c, or 4 for 10c.

25 pieces of 50c wool dress goods 25c

50 pieces of 60 to 69c wool dress goods 39c

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Butterick's patterns for January now on sale.

You will Realize that they Live well who Dress well.

Let your watch word be the Glass Front

Merchant Tailoring Parlors.

Chelsea against the world. To reduce our large stock of fine
selected woolsens to make room for spring purchases, and to
keep our large force of workers employed we have reduced
the price on our entire stock embracing all

Staples and Novelties in Suitings.

Overcoatings and Trousers at your own price for the next
thirty days. Cash is what we want.

RAFTREY The man that can Dress you as
you should be Dressed.

RAFTREY

The Worker of Gentlemen's Woolens.

TALK AND WIND

are cheap, but when in need of Tea, Coffee, Canned Goods,
Confectionery, Hay, Straw, Corn, Oats, try us and be con-
vinced that we are not undersold.

J. S. CUMMINGS.

A BUTCHER THAT KNOWS HIS BUSINESS

never takes advantage of the inexperience of his customers by giving
them poor cuts or light weights. We treat our patrons honorably and
in the same courteous manner, and cut them the best of the kind that
they ask for—and when we do that you couldn't find better for love or
money. Fresh, smoked, salt meats and sausage, poultry, oysters.

Lard by the Crock 7c at

ADAM EPPLER'S Meat Market.

KILLED HIMSELF

Albert Rager, a Farm Hand,
Thought that He Loved
Louisa Kalmbach.

BUT SHE DID NOT RECIPROCATE

So He Wrote Her a Note and then Fired
a Bullet into His Brain.

The topic of conversation this week
here has been the sensational suicide of
Albert Rager at the home of Peter Kalmbach,
five miles west of this place Saturday
night. The deed was performed
about a quarter to 12 that night and the
young man did not die until about 6:15
o'clock Sunday evening.

As there were a number of mysterious
things about the affair it aroused plenty
of curiosity on the part of the people.
The deed was performed with a thirty-
two caliber revolver, the bullet taking
effect in the forehead. The young man
has been stopping at Kalmbach's for the
past month or two and spent last winter
there.

Justice of the Peace Ward was notified
and empaneled the following jury which
adjourned until 10 o'clock Monday morn-
ing: John Kalmbach, James Richards,
John Weber, L. L. Glover, Charlie West
and Noah West.

The following letter, which was found
on the floor of the bed room where the
deed was committed was brought to the
attention of the jury and the first testi-
mony was to establish whether it was the
deceased's handwriting or not. We print
the letter just as it was written, without
any punctuation marks. There was some
talk that a portion of the letter was miss-
ing, but with a little study it is plain to
see that it was all there, just as he had
written it.

THE LETTER.

Louisa, I will not stand this any longer
I have loved you as much as a man could
love any woman I would do anything
you ask me to for you if I knew you love
me more than any one else I have known
for a long time back you were deceitful
I curse the day I first seen you I wish I
never seen you it would be better for you
and better for me I have done all I could
to get you to love me but its no use I
shall never live to see you marry another
man if I know it and I do know you are
going to marry Alfa it is your plan to
get married at Dexter as I thought it was
me that wrote those letters to him that
threaten his life if he married you but he
may marry you if he wishes to but I shall
never live to see that day Louisa I have
loved you but you have not loved me
though it is not my fault I have told you
before if you married any one else I
would go to hell and I shall shall as quick
as I can get there if you love me now is
the time to prove your love I am not
going to hurt you nor Alfa but I shall not
leave your bed room alive if you can not
prove you love me this is your last
chance.

Below we give the testimony of the
various witnesses sworn just as they gave
it, and that will give the whole story or
the affair as it is known today.

TESTIMONY.

Frederic Kalmbach, sworn, said: I
haven't seen his handwriting in several
years. If it is his handwriting it has im-
proved since I saw it. It is better than
what it was since I saw his handwriting.
It holds the form of the letters in some
of them that he made before. Others
have changed. I could not swear that it
was or was not his handwriting.

Fred Heydlaufl, sworn, said: I reside
in the township of Sylvan. I was ac-
quainted with Bert Rager since he was at
Fred Kalmbach's. Never saw his hand-
writing. I saw a letter that was written
to Alfa Garbet threatening his life. The
writing looks like the letter but that was
finer writing. Could not tell whether it
was in ink or pencil. Think that the
form of the hand in which it was written
resembles that. Think that it was a finer
handwriting than these. The other writ-
ing may have been with a pen. It re-
sembles the other writing. He showed
me the letter in Mrs. Kalmbach's house.
There was no name signed to the letter.
I don't think there was any date on the
letter. I looked over the letter but did not
read it myself. But from what I saw of
it I think that the form of the letters
resemble each other.

Mary Rager, sworn, said: I reside now
5 miles east and south of Grass Lake in
Sharon township. Am a sister of deceased.
We have not corresponded lately. Have
not received a letter from him since
June. I think that is his handwriting. I
know that it is. Once before he had
threatened his life for love for a girl. He
wrote us a letter saying that he was go-

ing off, and that we would never see him
any more. That he was going to kill
himself. Never knew that he attempted
to kill himself.

Alva W. Garbet, sworn, said: At present
I reside at Mike Rank's in Grass Lake
township. On Saturday, January 14th I
was at home until evening. I took my
shot gun. Had been over here the Wed-
nesday before and Mr. Rager invited me
to go hunting. That we would go
around by Cavanaugh Lake. I came
right here. Met Mr. Rager in this house
Saturday night. We were on friendly
terms. I staid all night here. Mr. Rager
and I sat around a little and talked and
then played cards. He said that he was
going to sleep on the couch that night. I
am not positive about what time it was
when I retired, near 10 o'clock may be a
little earlier. I did not undress to go
to bed. We separated about 10 o'clock.
I took the northeast bedroom. He did
not intimate that he intended to commit
suicide. After I lit the lamp I saw him
kneeling by a chair at the side of the
bed. I had not been sound asleep. Was
about half asleep. Could not say for sure
whether I knew he was in the room.
Nothing attracted my attention until I
heard the report of the revolver. Did
not think that he had shot himself until
I had lighted a lamp. There was a lighted
lantern in the chair and he had
knocked it off the chair. I shook him
and said, Bert, wake up here. Thought
that he was fooling me. I was the first
person in the room after the shot was
fired. The old gentleman went to his
bedroom where he always sleeps. Bert
was on the couch. I was in the north-
east room. I lay on back part of bed.
Louise was not in bed when I woke up.
She had jumped up and got out of room.
She moved her head over toward me and
said "Alva, Bert has shot me." I said
"No, he hasn't." She says, "Yes, he has."
I said, "No he is just fooling." The lights
were out when this talk took place. I
lifted him up off the chair to see if he
was shot. I let him back easy on the
chair. The way that he was on his
knees showed that he was facing north-
east. The two sheets of paper were the
ones found in that room by me. They
were at left hand side of chair. I don't
know whether I got blood on me or not,
but I think that I got a spot of blood on
my finger nail when I handled him. The
letter lay on the floor. Do not know
where he wrote the letter. The re-
volver lay half under the chair when I
found it. The revolver was in right coat
pocket when I went to bed and was hang-
ing in the kitchen. Do not know how he
got black eye. I do not think that it
could be possible for some member of
this family to have done this shooting. I
am not sure. Because no one had a
grudge against him that I know of.
Could not say whether that would be a
sufficient cause. Do not think that old
gentleman or girl would do shooting.
She was not in any place where I would
be liable to know if she did do it. I
thought when I was dozing that I heard a
noise, but I did not suspect anything.
I noticed that lock to door had been pushed
off. It was not on very solid and could
have been pushed off and not wakened
me. I am quite positive that Mr. Rager
broke it as it was locked before we sat
on the side of the bed to talk. Miss
Kalmbach. I am not aware whether
Miss Kalmbach was in a doze or not. I
am a sound sleeper. When I first lifted
him up I said "Bert, what have you been
doing?" "Nothing" he says. I asked
him after that "What made you shoot
yourself Bert?" "I didn't shoot myself,"
I asked him, "Who did shoot you?" He
answered "Nobody shot me, I ain't shot."
The chair was close to the bed when I
found Bert. I put the quilt over him. I
told Miss Kalmbach that he had better
have help immediately. When I got
back in bed room he was on the floor,
between chair and bed. His head was
to the east. Just as soon as I lit the lamp.
Before I went out of the room I picked
the revolver up and put it in my hip
pocket. He knew that I had a revolver.
I had a bicycle and had the revolver to
protect myself from dogs. The writing
resembles writing on letter that I received
but is a little coarser. There was four
loaded cartridges in revolver. It was a
32 caliber, 5 shooter. He did not dis-
charge all cartridges. I took out the
three cartridges and put them in my
pocket as Miss Kalmbach bid me as I
was so unstrung. I am hardly ever in
habit of hanging up coat with revolver,
nor in habit of locking my bed room
when I am at home. The lock was pushed
off once before. I was in room at that
time. Bert Rager pushed it off. The
first time that he pushed it off was be-
cause he wanted to kiss Miss Kalmbach.
We did not want any one in our room.
Did not make any resistance when he
pushed the lock off the first time. Bert
took a screwdriver and placed it back in
position. I didn't say anything the first
time that he broke the lock. I knew
what he wanted. He had tried to
hear what we had to say before. We
both went into the room together. I am

sure that the revolver was in my coat in
the kitchen. Because I hung it up just
before going to bed. Bert brought in a
lighted lamp. Both lamp and lantern
were extinguished when I woke up. I
locked the door. He was going to mop
the room as soon as we went out. Do
not think he started to. Did not ride my
bicycle over here such weather as that
night. I carried the revolver when I was
out nights on account of dogs. I do not
know any one else that carries a revolver
to keep off dogs. I never made any
threat to use this revolver on any person.

Louisa Kalmbach, sworn, said: I reside
in the township of Sylvan. I was ac-
quainted with Bert Rager. I was ac-
quainted with him since the first year
that he worked at Fred Kalmbach's. He
has been staying here a winter and a
half with us. I think he was jealous be-
cause Alva was going with me. Mr.
Rager and I had not been keeping com-
pany. Never at any time. He never
asked me for my company. Never made
a proposition of marriage to me. Don't
know any reasons why he should become
jealous of me, still I think that he was.
I was at home on night shooting occurred.
Had been here all evening. Mr. Rager
and Mr. Garbet had been here all even-
ing. I retired to bed at quarter to 10.
About a quarter to 10 the whole family
went to bed. Mr. Rager slept on lounge.
Mr. Garbet was in northeast bed room.
That was also my bedroom. Bert asked
me if I wasn't going to say anything.
After I had read the letter. I had read
about half the letter. I had not been
asleep before he came in there. Mr.
Garbet was asleep. Bert came into room
and wanted me to read the letter. Before
I had finished it he had shot himself.
After he shot himself I jumped out of
bed. Did not say anything. Thought
he had shot at me. He was kneeling
when he shot. He sat on bed when he
asked me to read the letter. This is the
letter that he handed to me. He said
that I should read it. There was a lan-
tern in bedroom and he brought in a
lamp. I did not see him write the letter.
I did not know that he had a revolver in
his hands while talking to me. He wanted
me to promise to love him. I did not
say anything about it. I did not make
any attempt to prove to him that I did
love him. He was in room about a min-
ute. The lights went out so quick that I
could not see him shoot himself. He
broke in the door. He must have knock-
ed one of the lights on the floor. Don't
know how the other went out. It was
light when he shot. Mr. Garbet and I
had been keeping company together for
some time off and on. Marriage vows
had been pronounced between us. No
marriage had ever been performed. We
had the day for marriage settled. I was
not afraid that Mr. Rager would kill him-
self before. Had no idea of it. He had
threatened once before to kill himself and
went away with a gun. But he came
back alive. We had often had conversa-
tion in regard to his love, but never had
any fears that he would commit suicide.
He was as bright that night as any body.
Did not notice a revolver when he was in
room. When I heard report I thought
that he had shot me. Mr. Garbet told
me that I was not shot. He seemed to be
confident that Rager had shot himself.
Could not say why. Mr. Garbet was on
back side of bed. I got out as soon as
shot fired. He did not get up right off,
as he thought Bert was fooling.

S. A. Mapes, sworn, said: I did not find
any marks on body that would indicate
that any violence had taken place. On
his lip was a bruise. There were marks
of powder near the wound, but there is
no sign of a scorch at present. Never
had any experience on effect of a shot
upon cotton or hair by the discharge of a
revolver. I would be of the opinion that
the revolver could be held far enough
from head to leave a powder mark. The
powder marks were all close to the wound.
I would say that the revolver was close
as 18 inches from his face. He might
have bruised himself by falling the chair.

Fred Heydlaufl, re-called, said: When
I first noticed the body lay beside the bed.
Do not know that he was left handed.
Think that there was a chair in the room.
In the corner. He lay between chair and
bed. Did not speak to him. Heard him
talk but I was in other room, so could
not tell for sure what he was saying.

The jury was out but a very short time
when they agreed and said that they
found that the deceased came to his death
by a bullet wound inflicted by his own
hand.

The German Workmens Society
held its annual meeting Monday evening.
The society is in a flourishing condition,
having made a considerable gain over
the previous year. The following officers
were elected: President, Chas. Kaercher;
vice president, C. Neuberger; record
keeper, Marten Bauer; corresponding
secretary, Israel Vogel; treasurer, J.
Hepper; trustee, J. Schumacher, M.
Schwickerath, H. Frey; physician G. W.
Palmer; color bearer, C. Oesterle.

LOWNEY'S

CHOCOLATES AND BON BONS.

Opera Chocolates. Oriental Chocolates.
Chocolate Wafers.
Lowney's Peppermint and Wintergreen
Wafers.
Fancy hand made Bon Bons.
Chocolate almonds.
Chocolate and strawberry caramels.
Best Stick and Mixed Candy 10c pound.

We are Dealers in

pure drugs, medicines, toilet article, per-
fumes, stationery, wall paper and grocer-
ies.

Prescriptions Carefully Compounded.

Our medicines are pure and unadulter-
ated. Large Chamois skins only 10c.

All Kinds of Toilet Soaps.

Swiss Buttermilk only 10c box.
Cosmo Buttermilk 25c box.

Our Perfumes.

"4" roses, Cuban lillies Cuban roses,
Parisian pink, wildwood violet, etc., are
the best in Chelsea.

Our new stock of Wall Paper
(spring patterns) are beau-
ties.

GROCERIES.

6 pounds choice prunes..... 25c
7 cans sardines in oil..... 25c
Pint bottles of catsup..... 10c
Fancy Oranges and Lem-
ons at rock bottom prices
Good rice..... 5c pound
Clothes lines..... 12c
Lamp wick..... 1c yard
Burners and chimneys almost given away
Pint cans of prepared mustard..... 10c
Best clover leaf codfish..... 10c pound
Gold Dust washing powder..... 20c
The best 25c Coffee in Chelsea.

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Dealers in Drugs and Groceries.

WHEN IN NEED OF A

BOB SLEIGH

Call at F. Vogel's old shop where you
find an article as good as money can make
and at a price that anyone can buy. Every
pair warranted not only for a day or two
but to give the customer a chance to test
them himself. If goods do not prove to
be as represented they may be returned
and the money will be refunded.
Call early and see them in the white,
oil finish and nicely painted.

Strict Attention given to
Repairing in General,
and done on short notice.

Give me a call.

ADAM FAIST,

Fred Vogel's old shop.

CHELSEA, MICH.

Chelsea Bakery.

We always have on hand fresh home-
made, French cream, cream, graham and
rye breads; sandwiches, buns and biscuits;
jelly rolls; fruit cakes; cup cakes; wine
cakes; cookies of every kind, pies of all
kinds. The finest line of

CANDIES

in town. Goods delivered when desired.

Banquets Furnished.

L. MILLER.

TEACHERS' EXAMINATIONS.

The following is the schedule of teach-
ers' examinations for 1898-99:
Ann Arbor, August 18 and 19, 1898.
Ypsilanti, October 20 and 21, 1898.
Ann Arbor, March 30 and 31, 1899.
Ann Arbor, June 15 and 16, 1899.
W. N. LISTER,
Commissioner of Schools.

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SUMMARY OF NEWS.

Col. A. C. Woodruff has filed a petition of voluntary bankruptcy at Marysville, Ohio, giving his liabilities as over \$50,000. Seven manufacturing establishments in which he is interested hold notes against him ranging from \$228 to \$18,700.

Emperor Nicholas, according to a dispatch to the London Daily News from Odessa, is planning to meet Emperor Francis Joseph, Emperor William and President Faure early in the spring to impress upon them his disarmament proposals.

Mrs. Henry Haskell-Powling, manager of the Star Hosiery mills at Hagan, N. Y., filed a petition in bankruptcy in New York City. Her assets are given at about \$150,000 and the liabilities at about \$140,000, of which \$80,000 is secured by mortgages.

In a fight between non-union white miners and negroes in the Springdale mining district at Pana, Ill., several men on both sides are reported to have been badly injured. The fight originated over a white miner taking exception to a negro loitering around his house.

T. D. Lender, aged 23, a school teacher, and prominently connected at McComb, committed suicide at a hotel in Findlay, Ohio. He took a large dose of morphine, wrapped the bed blanket around his body and then shot himself through the head. Ill health was the cause.

Count Posenowsky-Welner, minister of the interior, denied in the reichstag that there was a scarcity of meat in Germany, but said so long as it was not proved the food of the people was affected the Government would defend the interest of the rural minority. This declaration was greeted with cheers.

At Memphis, Tenn., fire destroyed the wholesale and retail dry goods house of the J. S. Merken Company. The building, a five-story structure, was valued at \$150,000. The stock was valued at about \$60,000. Assistant Fire Chief Ryan was badly burned about the eyes in forcing an entrance to the building.

Judge Arnold in the common pleas court at Philadelphia, in a suit brought to determine whether the shipper or the Adams Express Company should pay for the war revenue stamp to be attached to bills of lading for express packages, decided in favor of the express company and that the shipper must pay for the stamp.

Brig. Gen. J. W. Closs, secretary of the Cuban evacuation commission, has arrived in New York from Havana. He says that up to Jan. 1, 71,816 Spaniards had left the island. Seventeen thousand Spanish soldiers remain in Matanzas and 28,000 in Cienfuegos. These will probably be out of the island by Feb. 15.

The fast eastern express over the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern Railway collided with the rear end of an east-bound freight that failed to reach the siding at Whiting, Ind., in time. The engine of the fast train plowed through the caboose of the freight and wrecked a number of box cars ahead. The engineer and fireman remained at their posts and came out unscathed.

Considerable excitement has been created by rich gold discoveries twenty-five miles east of Vernal, Utah, in the Blue mountains, near the Colorado line. The discovery was made by "Doc" McDonald, a veterinary surgeon of the Ninth cavalry. He served in the Spanish war and while at New York recovering from fever met a man named Johnson, who had formerly lived in eastern Utah and who told him that he had found rich gold, describing the location. When the Ninth cavalry returned to Fort Huachuca, McDonald commenced to search for the vein.

One of the first actions of the new wire trust after securing possession of the New Castle, Pa., rod mill was to notify the men of a reduction in wages averaging about 10 per cent. The men were also notified that unless the reduction is accepted the rod mill as well as the wire and nail mills will be closed down indefinitely, and the mills at Beaver Falls, where the men have been receiving less wages than paid in New Castle, will be operated. In Pittsburgh the trust has closed the big Oliver mills. The 2,000 employees may be asked to accept a reduction before the plant resumes.

NEWS NUGGETS.

In a duel at Metz, Tenn., Schickman of the Bavarian infantry shot and killed Herr Tillmann, a civilian.

Ike Smith, gambler, murdered Charles Williamson, race horse man and school keeper, in Louisville, Ky.

Art treasures bequeathed by the late Baron Ferdinand de Rothschild to the British museum are valued at \$350,000.

Three her Maude, a notorious Southern desperado, has been placed in jail at Enterprise, Miss., charged with robbing the postoffice in that town.

The transport steamer Senator, twenty-five days from Manila, arrived in San Francisco with seven officers and 120 men of the Astor battery.

The Bricklayers and Masons' International Union, in session at Hartford, Conn., endorsed the cigarmakers' blue label. The delegates were tendered a banquet and ball.

Premier Sagasta denies that any negotiations are in progress for the sale of the Carolines. He intends to convoke the Cortes as soon as the United States Senate has approved the peace treaty.

The Oxford, England, trades council passed a resolution heartily approving the scheme for establishing a college for labor leaders at Oxford, to be known as Ruskin Hall, and pledging every assistance possible.

The marriage of Miss Edna Mayfield Whitely and Fred T. Dubois, ex-United States Senator from Idaho, was celebrated in Chicago.

John W. Jones, a miller of Prospect, Ohio, has filed a petition in bankruptcy in the United States Court at Toledo. He says he has debts amounting to \$51,000, with no assets.

EASTERN.

Ex-Commissioner of Indian Affairs Alexander B. Upshaw died at New York. He was 48 years old.

The death is announced in Brooklyn, N. Y., of William Peak, the famous bell-ringer, aged 94 years.

At Chambersburg, Pa., Miss Alice Hagie, a school teacher, died from the effects of having a tooth extracted.

Total liabilities of \$1,166,536 and assets of \$50 are the figures given by Thos. H. Brush, a New York builder, who filed a petition in bankruptcy.

Remington Vernon, the founder of Arverne-by-the-Sea, has filed a petition in bankruptcy, giving his liabilities as \$728,040 and his available assets as nothing.

Bailey Decker, colored, was put to death by electricity in Sing Sing, N. Y., prison for the murder of his white wife, Decker, while drunk, killed his wife in a jealous rage.

At the Lenox Athletic Club in New York "Kid" McCoy, legitimately a middleweight pugilist, was knocked out by Tom Sharkey, a heavyweight. Seven thousand spectators saw the fight.

Oris Kendall, former professor of mathematics and astronomy at the University of Pennsylvania, and for many years one of the foremost educators of the country, died at Philadelphia, aged 82 years.

The City Council and County Commissioners of Newcastle, Pa., have offered a reward of \$4,000 for the arrest and conviction of the men who murdered City Treasurer John Blevins and robbed his office.

The Hotel Main and the Levis building adjoining, in which were Neeson & Jones' tailoring establishment and A. M. Brown's dry goods store, were destroyed by fire at Washington, Pa. Loss \$100,000, insurance \$85,000.

A local passenger train going west and an excursion train going east met head on in a deep cut at sharp curve on the Lehigh Valley Road near West Dunellen, N. J. Thirteen persons were killed and thirty-five injured.

The Electric Company of America has been incorporated in New Jersey, with a capital stock of \$25,000,000. George W. Elkins will be its president, and it is proposed to control the street lighting business east of the Mississippi river.

The stock barn of Dr. C. H. Phelps, at St. Marys, Ohio, was destroyed by fire. Among the horses destroyed were Ethel Rose, owned by D. Armstrong, and the 5-year-old stallion Edward O., with a record of 2:14, owned by Edward Orphan.

Francis Brunner, who was arrested on a charge of embezzlement, committed suicide in a cell at Trenton, N. J., police station. Brunner hanged himself by tying a handkerchief around his neck and fastening it to the iron bars of the cell door.

The outside doors of the vault of the Phoenix National Bank at Phoenix, R. I., were blown out by dynamite, but three men who attempted to rob the bank were frightened away before they could gain access to the interior apartments, where the money and other valuables were kept.

As a result of a coasting accident on University Hill, at Ithaca, N. Y., R. Trautschold of Mont Clair, N. J., E. G. Starr of San Francisco and F. D. Ray of Chicago, all Cornell students, were seriously injured. Trautschold sustained concussion of the brain and his recovery is not certain.

WESTERN.

James Willard hanged himself at Hopkins, Mo.

J. L. Bardwell, a retired merchant of San Francisco, was found dead in his bed. At Garretson, S. D., J. R. Dischner committed suicide by shooting himself through the head.

Frederick Silberg, one of the most famous Knights of Pythias in the country, is dead at Cleveland.

At Chillicothe, Ohio, Bert Williams was sentenced to the penitentiary for life for the murder of John Mitchell.

At Visalia, Cal., a brick wall of a building collapsed and buried five men in the ruins. Harry Hughes was fatally injured.

At Sidney, Ohio, the residence of W. H. C. Goode was damaged by fire. It cost \$150,000. The loss on building and furniture was \$50,000.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Bengston of Waukegan, Minn., the oldest couple in the State, each 95 years old, died within an hour of each other.

As a result of the completion of the so-called "wire combine" an advance of \$2 per ton for wire and wire nails was announced at Cleveland.

Martin and Hilary Nicholls, boys, were killed in a gravel pit at Fullerton, Colo., by a cave-in. They were taking out gravel when the slide occurred.

At St. Louis, Sister Margaret Newman, mother superior of the Ursuline convent, was killed by falling from a third-story window. She was 35 years old.

At Ada, Ohio, Homer Welcker was shot and instantly killed by his brother, Bird, the outcome of a quarrel over the settlement of their father's estate.

Physicians in St. Louis agree that the grip is epidemic in that city and that in the form in which the disease prevails there it is infectious but not contagious.

Mrs. Florence Ritchie, a member of Frank Daniels' company, playing at the Broadway, Denver, fainted while taking a bath at the Albert Hotel and was drowned.

J. L. Bardwell, a retired merchant of San Francisco, was found dead in his bed. He had apparently expired from heart disease. He was a native of Springfield, Mass., aged 67 years.

At Lima, Ohio, the Lima paper mills were almost totally destroyed by fire. The plant was the property of the American Strawboard Company. The loss is \$125,000, insurance \$70,000.

At Akron, Ohio, Rev. N. J. Myers and Rev. W. H. Brightmore were assaulted and thrown into the snow while going home from church. They had led a crusade against Sunday saloons.

The Ohio mine workers elected officers at Columbus as follows: President, William H. Haskins; Murray City, vice-president, D. H. Sullivan; Coshocton, secretary and treasurer, Thomas L. Lewis; Bridgeport.

At Astoria, Ore., the attempt to arrest Charles Willard on suspicion of being the man who set fire to the Fulton cottage at 2600 resulted in a desperate fight, in which Willard and two officers were killed.

Gov. Leedy has commuted the sentence of J. R. Coleman, who while cashier of the State Bank at Fort Scott, Kan., in 1895 stole \$32,000 of its funds, wrecking the

bank. His sentence of five years was reduced to four.

Henry Church, alias Wilson, who was arrested at Columbus, Ohio, on suspicion of being Dunham, the California murderer, was sentenced to three years in the Milwaukee house of correction for swindling Milwaukee people.

Alexander Zeese, of the firm of A. Zeese & Co., photo-process engravers, and one of the pioneer engravers of Chicago, met with almost instant death by falling from the iron stairway at the Northwestern station in that city.

An amusing blunder was made by the Cincinnati police in the arrest of United States District Attorney William E. Bundy. The city has been infested with crooks, and Col. Bundy was pointed out to the officer as a "bad man."

Rev. A. A. Abbott, rector of Christ Church of Warren, Ohio, has accepted the position of rector of the Episcopal church and archdeacon of the Episcopal diocese of Ohio, offered by Bishop Leonard. Rev. Mr. Abbott will have headquarters in Cleveland.

A Denver and Rio-Grande freight train, loaded with ore and cattle, jumped the track near Meigs Junction, Colo., and rolled down a steep embankment, smashing the cars to pieces. All the members of the train crew were more or less injured, but no one was killed.

The delegates to the Louisiana purchase convention at St. Louis unanimously selected that city as the place of holding the fair in 1903. Delegates from nearly all the States and territories in the "Louisiana purchase" were assembled in response to an invitation of Gov. Stephens to decide upon the place and manner of celebrating the 100th anniversary of that important event.

At Cincinnati, William Kennedy murdered Ida Price in a peculiarly horrifying manner. They lived together in a flat on West Sixth street. Having quarreled with the woman, and desiring to be rid of her, Kennedy poured coal oil over Miss Price's clothing set fire to it and left the room, locking the door behind him. The victim's screams brought help, but too late to save her life.

Fire in the six-story brick building at St. Louis owned by the Ames estate and used by the Albert A. Newman Mercantile Company as a wholesale department goods store, caused heavy loss. The fire originated in the fifth story and burned up through the roof and down into the second story, badly damaging the building. The contents of the sixth story were nearly destroyed and those in the stories below badly damaged.

A disastrous freight wreck was caused on the Walush at Belleville, Mich., by freight No. 69 running into the rear end of an extra freight that was lying on the main track near Harvey Johnson's bean storehouse. The engineer and fireman saved themselves by jumping. An overturned stove fired the wreck and the bean storehouse was burned and the wrecked engine badly damaged by the fire. The loss on rolling stock is estimated at from \$25,000 to \$30,000, with \$3,000 loss on the storehouse.

John D. Rockefeller's agents at Everett, Wash., are preparing to build one of the largest electric plants on the Pacific coast. Its purpose will be to furnish power to operate the Everett and Monte Cristo Railroad, sixty-five miles long, standard gauge, owned by Rockefeller, and chiefly carrying freight, together with the Everett street railway and half a dozen large Everett industries, which Rockefeller controls. These include nail works, the largest paper mill on the coast, a smelter and the city lighting plant, besides a big concentrator at Rockefeller's Monte Cristo mines. It is estimated that the saving in cost of power will pay for the electric plant in three years.

SOUTHERN.

Fire in the Shaw-Howell-Harness Company's building and in adjoining structures, Charlotte, N. C., caused a loss of \$75,000.

J. E. Davis, one of the editors of the Banner of Cleveland, Tenn., and J. Ben Stern, editor of the Journal, had a fight at Cleveland, resulting in Davis cutting Stern in the head with a knife.

A severe windstorm swept over Mobile, Ala.; Jackson, Miss., and the intermediate country. The wind blew down telegraph lines, wrecked houses and uprooted trees. A heavy rain that followed caused extensive washouts on railroads in central Mississippi.

A barn belonging to a white farmer named Green, near Banks, Ala., was burned. Suspicion was directed toward Marshall McGregor, a negro in Mr. Green's employ. Next day his body was found hanging to a tree near where the barn had stood.

Baron Edgar de Bara and his wife, the alleged Chicago postal swindlers, who were arrested at St. Augustine, Fla., have been released on bonds in the sums of \$5,000 and \$2,500 respectively for their appearance in the United States Court at Chicago at the May term for trial.

Four men dead, two injured, one of these perhaps fatally, and the loss of property of about \$100,000 is the result of a wreck which took place on the Knoxville and Ohio branch of the Knoxville division of the Southern Railway, one and one-half miles west of Elk Valley, Tenn.

The Exploration Company of the Amazon has been organized under the laws of the State of Virginia, with an authorized capital of \$1,000,000, with the power to purchase rubber lands and concessions in foreign countries. It is understood a number of leading rubber manufacturers are interested, with the idea of obtaining their crude product from their own lands.

FOREIGN.

A dispatch from Havana says that all the Spanish soldiers have now left the island.

W. R. Campbell, general manager of the Dominion Atlantic Railroad and Steamship Line, died at London.

According to Chinese report, a secret treaty exists between Great Britain and the United States to prevent any further alienation of Chinese territory.

The British steamer Glina, Captain Frankland, from Philadelphia for Christiana, was abandoned in a sinking condition. The crew were saved.

George Dambmann, an American, who is prominent in Paris in Franco-American business circles, has been decorated with the cross of the Legion of Honor.

Baron and Baroness de Bara, charged with using the United States mails for fraudulent purposes, have been held at Jacksonville, Fla., in default of \$5,000 bail for the former and \$2,500 for the latter for trial before the United States Court at Chicago.

The business partnership existing between Sir Henry Irving and Ellen Terry has terminated. Miss Terry has retired from the Lyceum Theater enterprise and will without delay form a company of her own.

A letter from James M. Ayers, United States consul in Rosario, Argentina, states that the wheat crop has escaped frosts, rains and all cold weather and the locusts, that warm weather now prevails there, and the wheat yield in the Argentine Republic will be fully 20 per cent larger than ever before.

A telegram from Cayenne, capital of French Guiana, has been communicated to the court of cassation at Paris, embodying the reply of Dreyfus to questions put to him by the public prosecutor there. Dreyfus energetically denies that he ever confessed that he was guilty and protests his innocence.

Viscount Cromer laid the foundation stone at Khartoum of the Gordon Memorial College in the presence of Gen. Lord Kitchener, the British officers and native sheikhs. He announced it would be wholly undenominational and that instruction, so far as possible, would be conducted in the Arabic language.

The Anti-Sugar Bounty League adopted resolutions in London demanding that the Salisbury Government immediately declare a convention with Germany, Austria, Holland and Belgium to abolish bounties and to guarantee producers' security in the open British markets against state aided competition.

Quesnay de Beaurepaire, president of the section of the French Court of Cassation, which is dealing with the Dreyfus case, has resigned his office in consequence of a disagreement regarding the Dreyfus inquiry. Le Soir says it learns from an indisputable source that the Court of Cassation is convinced that Dreyfus was justly condemned.

Lionel E. G. Carden has been gazetted British consul general for the Island of Cuba. He was until recently British consul at the City of Mexico.

At Balder, Man., two men gagged and bound Municipal Treasurer Harrower and robbed him of \$700. The highwaymen escaped before their victim's cries brought help.

George A. Armour has given \$10,000 to found a classical alcove in the university library in Princeton, and a yearly endowment for three years of \$2,700 toward its support.

There is a strong movement on foot at Dawson to send a representative to Washington for the purpose of enlisting the United States Government in the cause of aiding in remedying the great distress which prevails among the miners of the Yukon.

Gov. Brady of Alaska has arrived in Washington to urge haste in territorial matters. He says many of the people who rushed into the Klondike region are coming out, largely because of the high taxation. Many thousands of people, he says, already have started for the Alaskan district.

A dispatch from Auckland, N. Z., says advice have been received from Tonga, the seat of the Government of the Tongan, or Friendly Islands, that the German consul has arrived there from the Samoan Islands, and has given notice that Germany will seize Vavao, the most fertile of the group, unless the Tongan Government repudiates responsibility for the giving of credit to the natives, contrary to law, and the king is appealing to England, America and France.

Bradstreet's views the trade situation thus: "The situation is one of quiet, sustained strength. In wholesale distributive trade annual inventories have occupied attention, and distribution in this branch is, therefore, of only seasonal proportions. Retail trade reflects the quieting down of the eager demand ruling before the holidays, but it is significant that the majority of the reports received since Jan. 1 in this and in the wholesale branch refer to collections as almost uniformly good. Export trade, particularly in cereals, continues well up to maximum figures, while reports from the new great industries of the country are favorable. Bank clearings for the week reflect exceptionally heavy annual settlements in a total of \$1,765,900,000, nearly \$400,000,000 larger than ever before reported. Wheat, including flour, shipments for the week aggregate 6,869,268 bushels, against 6,292,625 bushels last week. Corn exports for the week aggregate 4,841,288 bushels, against 3,659,745 bushels last week."

MARKET REPORTS.

Chicago—Cattle, common to prime, \$3.00 to \$6.25; hogs, shipping grades, \$3.00 to \$4.00; sheep, fair to choice, \$2.50 to \$4.50; wheat, No. 2, red, 70c to 72c; corn, No. 2, 37c to 38c; oats, No. 2, 27c to 28c; rye, No. 2, 54c to 55c; butter, choice creamery, 19c to 21c; eggs, fresh, 22c to 24c; potatoes, choice, 30c to 40c per bushel.

Indianapolis—Cattle, shipping, \$3.00 to \$5.75; hogs, choice light, \$2.75 to \$4.00; sheep, common to choice, \$2.50 to \$4.25; wheat, No. 2, red, 68c to 70c; corn, No. 2, white, 35c to 36c; oats, No. 2, white, 30c to 31c.

St. Louis—Cattle, \$3.00 to \$5.75; hogs, \$3.00 to \$3.75; sheep, \$3.50 to \$4.25; wheat, No. 2, 70c to 72c; corn, No. 2, yellow, 35c to 36c; oats, No. 2, 28c to 30c; rye, No. 2, 55c to 56c.

Cincinnati—Cattle, \$2.50 to \$5.50; hogs, \$3.00 to \$3.75; sheep, \$2.50 to \$4.25; wheat, No. 2, 70c to 71c; corn, No. 2, mixed, 36c to 38c; oats, No. 2, mixed, 29c to 30c; rye, No. 2, 56c to 58c.

Detroit—Cattle, \$2.50 to \$5.50; hogs, \$3.00 to \$3.75; sheep, \$3.00 to \$4.25; wheat, No. 2, 70c to 72c; corn, No. 2, yellow, 37c to 38c; oats, No. 2, white, 30c to 32c; rye, 56c to 57c.

Toledo—Wheat, No. 2, mixed, 71c to 72c; corn, No. 2, mixed, 35c to 37c; oats, No. 2, white, 27c to 29c; rye, No. 2, 55c to 56c; clover seed, \$4.50 to \$4.60.

Milwaukee—Wheat, No. 2, spring, 67c to 69c; corn, No. 3, 33c to 34c; oats, No. 2, white, 28c to 30c; rye, No. 1, 54c to 56c; barley, No. 2, 44c to 53c; pork, mess, \$9.50 to \$10.00.

Buffalo—Cattle, good shipping steers, \$3.00 to \$5.50; hogs, common to choice, \$3.25 to \$4.00; sheep, fair to choice wethers, \$3.50 to \$4.75; lambs, common to extra, \$5.00 to \$5.50.

New York—Cattle, \$3.00 to \$5.75; hogs, \$3.00 to \$4.50; sheep, \$3.00 to \$4.75; wheat, No. 2, red, 80c to 81c; corn, No. 2, 42c to 45c; oats, No. 2, white, 35c to 36c; butter, creamery, 15c to 22c; eggs, Western, 23c to 25c.

THE STATE LEGISLATURES.

Friday.

North Dakota Senate amended divorce law, fixing time of residence at one year.

Missouri Senate passed bill appointing committee to investigate alleged municipal and State political crookedness.

In California Burns men claimed 35 votes, while 32 were pledged to opponents. Charges of bribery made against Grant.

In Delaware the House deadlock was broken in ninety-one ballots, regular Republicans beating Adickes faction.

In Kansas Gov. Leedy sent message to the House demanding the evidence of Representative Brown, who openly charged him with being influenced by use of money.

Beveridge seemed to gain strength in Indiana senatorial fight, four doubtful legislators announcing themselves in his favor. Opposition candidates organized to beat Hanly.

Monday.

Senatorial fight in North Dakota remains practically unchanged.

Utah Legislature assembled and active canvass commenced for senatorial vote.

Contest for Speaker in Arkansas Legislature seems likely to result in a deadlock.

In Indiana Perry S. Heath broke into the senatorial fight, using influence for Taylor.

The Oregon Legislature convened and continued the organization of the special session.

Organization of the Wisconsin Legislative Assembly is made an issue in the fight for United States Senator.

The Legislature of Washington organized, electing E. H. Guie, the youngest member, Speaker of the House.

Utah Legislature met and organized. A. Nebecker was elected President of the Senate and William M. Roylance Speaker.

In Kansas the Populist extraordinary session adjourned without attempting further legislation. Stanley took oath at noon.

Tuesday.

Massachusetts re-elected United States Senator Henry Cabot Lodge.

Arkansas deadlock was broken by the election of A. F. Vandever Speaker.

The Texas Legislature met and the House organized by electing Sherrill Speaker.

In New Jersey the Republican caucus nominated John Kean for United States Senator.

Missouri appointed a committee of six to investigate the municipal government of St. Louis.

In Minnesota bills were introduced imposing more taxes on railroad and express companies.

In Indiana the Republican caucus nominated A. J. Beveridge of Indianapolis for United States Senator.

In Colorado Charles S. Thomas was inaugurated Governor. His message discussed State affairs only.

In South Carolina Gov. Ellerbe urged a law to prevent lynching and recommended the submission of the dispensary question to a vote of the people.

Wednesday.

Republicans in Nebraska fail in their efforts to bring about a senatorial caucus.

In Minnesota Assembly House committees were announced and new bills introduced.

In Washington efforts of Senator Wilson to bring about Republican caucus met with failure.

In West Virginia presiding officers of both houses were elected and contests over seats commenced.

Caucus of Republicans in Wyoming unanimously nominated C. D. Clark for reelection to the Senate.

Michigan House and Senate committees were announced and Gov. Pingree submitted a list of appointments.

Senatorial caucus in North Dakota took two ballots without result, except a loss of one for Johnson, who still leads.

Republican majority in Connecticut chose Joseph R. Hawley for United States Senator on the ninth ballot.

In the Maine Legislature Senator Hale was chosen as Republican nominee and Samuel L. Lord as Democratic nominee for the Senate.

The California Legislature voted in joint session for United States Senator without electing. Phelan led with thirty-four complimentary votes.



On Saturday the House, in committee of the whole, resumed consideration of the bill making appropriation for the legislative, executive and judicial expenses of the Government for the year ending June 30, 1900. On a point of order made by Mr. Dockery (Dem., Mo.), a paragraph appropriating \$12,000 for making a series of charts of the coasts and harbors of the Philippines was stricken from the bill. In the Senate the District of Columbia appropriation bill was taken up. As passed by the House, the bill appropriated \$6,300,000, as against estimates of \$9,230,000. As reported by the Senate Committee on Appropriations, it appropriates \$7,251,965. The appropriation for the current fiscal year was \$6,426,880. The House bill granting extra pay upon muster-out to officers and enlisted men of the United States volunteers was taken up and passed without amendment. The Senate then went into executive session, and afterward adjourned.

In the Senate on Monday Mr. Hoar of Massachusetts made a strong speech against territorial expansion. Mr. Platt of New York replied. The Nicaragua Canal bill was then taken up and Mr. Carey continued his speech in opposition to it. Messrs. Bacon, Money and Chilton engaged in a general discussion of the binding power of treaties in general. The House reversed the decision of the committee of the whole last Friday, when the appropriation for the support of the civil service commission was stricken out of the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill. The House by special order decided to proceed with the consideration of the naval personnel bill as soon as the bill for the codification of the laws of Alaska was out of the way. About seventy additional pages of the latter bill were covered.

Senator Mason of Illinois occupied the attention of the Senate for nearly an hour and a half on Tuesday with a speech in support of his resolution declaring that the United States will never attempt to govern the people of any country without their consent. Mr. Turley was then recognized to speak on the Nicaragua canal bill. He announced himself as an advocate of the canal, but said he was opposed to the pending bill. At the conclusion of Mr. Turley's speech a bill was passed directing the President to appoint Paymaster General T. H. Stanton a major general and retire him at that grade. The House devoted its undivided attention to the bill for the codification of the criminal laws of Alaska, and when adjournment was had all but ten pages of the bill had been disposed of.

In the Senate on Wednesday a sharp debate was precipitated by Mr. Allen (Neb.) by some remarks he made upon a resolution he had introduced. Mr. Hoar (Mass.) and Mr. Gray (Del.) were drawn into it. The resolution stated that any aggressive action by army or navy on the part of the United States against the Philippines would be an act of war unwarranted on the part of the President and the exercise of constitutional powers vested exclusively in Congress. Mr. Foraker of Ohio was recognized after a short debate and proceeded to deliver his set speech on the general question of the power to extend our territory. At 3:10 p. m. the Senate, on motion of Mr. Davis, the chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee and in charge of the treaty of peace, went into executive session. Senator Davis reported the peace

FAITHFUL RECOUNTING OF HER LATEST NEWS.

Girls Aid in the Capture of Three Escaped Convicts—Benton Harbor Company Mustered Out—Pepper Horse-whipped by Indignant Women.

Misses Etta and Myrtle Berlin, daughters of Blake Minor of Berlin, aided in the capture of three men who escaped from the State house of correction and will get two-fifths of the \$75 reward. The girls drove them out and informed Farmers John Smith, Harvey Lowery and Osborn Degraw, who captured the fugitives and took them to Ionia.

Boy Is Enough for the Tramp.

A tramp entered an Owosso store early one morning recently, when no one was there but the 15-year-old boy who was sweeping out the counters and demanded of the boy that he open at safe at once. The boy was no coward, however, and he threw a hammer which was handy at the fellow's head, and then, picking up a hatchet, started for him, but the tramp had not waited to see what was coming after the hammer.

Muster Out Michigan Boys.

Dr. King, surgeon Third-fourth Michigan; Lieut. Purdy, United States Infantry; Maj. George A. Pickett, paymaster; Capt. R. C. Carvin, Eleventh United States Infantry; Lieut. D. W. Iyther, United States Infantry, mustered out the members of Company I, Third-third Michigan regiment at Benton Harbor. About \$12,000 was distributed to the boys of the regiment. This is said to be the last company in the State to be mustered out.

Women Horsewhip Heale.

At Flint, John Heale, accused of peeping in at windows and circulating slanderous stories about prominent persons, has met with punishment. The other night a number of women armed with horsewhips called Heale to his door. Upon his appearance they threw a rope about his neck and took turns in giving him a thorough thrashing until he pleaded for mercy.

Explosion of Oil Is Fatal.

Through careless handling of a gasoline stove in Detroit, Mrs. Charles Lucius was perhaps fatally burned and her 2-year-old son was so badly suffocated by smoke that he died while being rescued from the burning house by a fireman. Mrs. Lucius' husband was also burned while rescuing his wife.

Old Man Cremated.

Capt. Byron Winegar, for many years a resident of Green Bay, Wis., was burned to death in the house of his son Frank at Escanaba. He was a paralytic and was in a helpless condition and before aid could reach him he was dead and nearly cremated. He was 76 years old.

State News in Brief.

Mr. Pleasant is agitating the question of a best sugar factory.
Cows are bringing \$40 a head at auction sales in Sanilac County.
The Bell Telephone Co. has begun a war on the Owosso Telephone Company.
Four deaths occurred within five days in the Ottawa County poor house recently.
East Tawas will donate a plant to any best sugar factory that may locate in that town.

Berrien Springs is to have a telephone exchange to connect with the new State company.

During the last three months of 1898, the Calhoun County Clerk issued 155 marriage licenses.

Grand Haven streets have been in darkness because of a row between the Mayor and City Council.

Mrs. William Campbell was burned to death at Grand Rapids by the explosion of a gasoline stove.

The body of Fred Walters, who was reported missing at St. Joseph, was recovered from the river.

Miss Mabel E. Dexter and Mr. Donald D. Richards, two of Milan's society people, were married recently.

Edwin W. Grantz, a Michigan volunteer, died at Lancaster, Pa., of lung trouble following typhoid fever.

W. J. Cremin, a strong temperance man, has been appointed under sheriff by Sheriff Robinson of Arenac County.

John Meyer of Drenthe makes annually 2,000 pairs of wooden shoes and ships them to all parts of the country.

Bad Axe is putting in a new pump for the water works with a capacity of 750,000 gallons in twenty-four hours.

Capt. W. D. Parke, Company C, Thirty-third Michigan, of Bay City, has tendered his resignation. He will move to Detroit.

Company K, Thirty-fourth Michigan volunteers, was mustered out at Mount Clemens. The men received \$13,510 in pay.

The total bonded indebtedness of Port Huron Jan. 1, 1899, was \$516,303.51, an increase of \$3,678 during the year just closed.

John M. Foote of Edgewood has been appointed industrial teacher at the Fort Totten, N. D., Indian school, at \$900 a year.

Grand Haven citizens would like to see free mail delivery established. The postal business is \$1,000 below the required amount.

The two workmen, C. W. Crittenden and Herman Preston, injured by the explosion of the oil tank of the Portland Cement Co., are now pronounced out of danger.

Archie Reed, a Canadian, employed in the McIntosh-Smith camp, was taken to Alpena recently. He had been seriously injured in the back by a falling tree. He will recover.

Mike Henley was sentenced by Judge Buck, at Kalamazoo, to one year and nine months in Ionia for robbing Levi Drummond, an old soldier from the Grand Rapids home.

State Banking Commissioner Maltz has chartered the Burr Oak State Bank, organized with a capital of \$15,000. John T. Holmes is president and F. Ernest Schoffmeister cashier.

All but two of the forty-three meat dealers in Bay City have joined the retail butchers' society, the object of which is to reduce expenses and obtain other benefits arising from united action.

Standish elevators handled 75,000 bushels of wheat last year.

Milton Brase of Flint was seriously injured in a runaway accident.

John Vickery of Charlotte was seriously injured in a runaway accident.

Enemies of Marshal August Beck of Calumet attempted to burn his residence.

Alexander McLennan, a prominent merchant of Lapeer for forty-three years, has retired.

The dry kiln of the Bay City Manufacturing Co. was destroyed by fire. Loss, \$2,500.

Edward Harrison of Muskegon, aged 78 years, has fallen heir to a fortune of \$10,000.

N. & B. Mills expect to wind up their lumbering operations in Arenac County this winter.

E. H. Benedict, a brakeman on the F. & P. M. Railroad, fell off the top of a car at Ungers and was severely bruised.

Frank Henderson, a prominent secret society man and thirty-third degree Mason, died at Kalamazoo, aged 57 years.

Companies F and L, Thirty-third Michigan, were mustered out at Port Huron. Each man received an average of \$125.

Alpena lumber operators cannot secure enough men to get out the amount of timber they have contracted for this winter.

C. L. Gilmore, prominent business man of Greenville, while walking home in the evening, slipped and fell, breaking his ankle.

The farmers living in Bertrand township, who have been encroaching upon the roadway, will be compelled to move their fences back.

Rev. William Sidelotham of Spring Lake has been called to the Presbyterian churches of Custer, Bridgeland and Deckerville.

The large farm barns of Henry Bihnsack of Oregon were burned, together with three cows and other live stock. The loss is heavy.

Sheridan township is over twenty-five miles from any lake port, yet it has more resident sailors than any township in that part of the State.

Herbert Shatto, foreman of the Diamond Buggy Co. at Flint, was badly crushed by being caught between freight cars. He will recover.

Robert Atkins and John Madden, two of the oldest conductors on the Thumb division of the F. & P. M. Railroad, have left the company's employ.

The Episcopal Church of Owosso has called unanimously Rev. R. O. Cooper, pastor of St. Mark's Church, of Toledo, Ohio, as its future pastor.

Ohio and Pennsylvania parties are prospecting for coal five miles west of Millington. The scene of operations is near the four-foot vein just discovered in Birch Run.

P. E. Kelsey & Co. of Millington have sold out their banking and elevator business to Carson & Ely of Caro. Carson & Ely own banks in four other towns of the State.

At Dollar Bay, the copper rolling mill owned by the Tamarack-Oscoda Copper Manufacturing Company has been closed permanently, throwing fifty men out of work.

Mrs. Preston Kellogg has left Battle Creek to join her husband at Manila. He is a doctor and is attached to one of the regiments of volunteers doing duty in the Philippines.

Eugene Zelloff of Adrian, traveling salesman for the Banner Cigar Co. of Detroit, thrashed two sandbaggers near the Michigan Central station at Jackson the other night.

William Macard, just pardoned by Gov. Pingree from Marquette prison, where he was serving a 15-year term for perjury, has returned to Grand Rapids. He committed the crime in the hope of saving a brother from prison. He says he will lead a straight life hereafter.

The railroad talk at Ionia has culminated into another scheme to run a line from Ionia City southwest across the country to Woodbury to connect with the Chicago, Kalamazoo and Saginaw. This would give Ionia a southern outlet, which shipper have long looked for.

Lieut. George H. Jamerson of the Seventh U. S. infantry, who has been recuperating at Ionia at the home of his father-in-law, Osman S. Tower, since his return from Cuba, has been detailed as an aid on the staff of Gen. M. V. Sheridan of the department of the lakes.

Owosso's new sewers have been inspected and improved. During the past season Owosso has laid eight blocks of asphalt pavement and fourteen blocks of sewer. In addition, a fine new girder bridge over the Shiawassee river is now in process of construction with another bridge about completed.

Quartermaster General White has submitted his report of the operations of the military department in connection with the raising of volunteers in Michigan for the war with Spain. The receipts of his department were \$512,080.93, and the expenditures \$506,630.83, leaving a balance on hand Dec. 31 of \$5,450.10. The largest items in the expenditures were ordnance, clothing and quartermaster's stores, \$262,462.46; subsistence, \$70,816.02; pay of officers and enlisted men, \$77,445.56; transportation, \$30,227.02, and care of sick soldiers, \$14,200.00.

A suit has been started in the courts at Benton Harbor to annul the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Ball, who were made husband and wife just a week before. Several weeks ago Mrs. Vaughan and daughter, Miss Mildred, of Paducah, Ky., came to Benton Harbor to take medical treatment and the charming daughter soon won many admirers. The daughter was united in marriage to Frank E. Ball, without the consent of the mother. The announcement of the marriage was not well received by the Vaughan family and recently the bride's brother, from the blue grass State, arrived. As a result proceedings were instituted to annul the marriage. In the bill of complaint, it is claimed that she was not responsible for her action at the time of the marriage.

The prospects of Port Huron securing a chicken factory, to employ thirty men, is very promising. A steel shipbuilding plant is also among the possibilities for that city, and a lubricating oil works plant.

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Suburban Rumors

LYNDON.

The infant child of J. Wallace is serious ill.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Boyce and Mr. and Mrs. McCrow were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. Leek, Thursday.

Fire broke out in the residence of H. Leek, Tuesday night January 10, at about 10 o'clock. Luckily it was discovered in time to prevent any serious damage, as it was it gave all quite a scare.

SYLVAN.

Austin Gray spent Sunday at C. T. Conklin's.

Mr. and Mrs. James Young spent last week at Webster.

Revival meetings are being held at the M. E. church this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cooper of Lima spent Sunday at J. Dancer's.

A number of our young people attended the party at F. Mensing last Wednesday evening.

A. A. Parker spent part of last week at Chelsea with his daughter Mrs. Geo. Beckwith.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Christian Union will meet at the home of Mrs. Mandus Merker, Thursday, January 26.

NORTH LAKE.

Miss Nettie Green is on the sick list. Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Vines are visiting Leslie friends.

Willie Brown returned from Iosco on Monday after a few days stay. Nice, see.

Geo. Reade, jr., has rented Mrs. Thos. Wilbur's farm and is busy moving.

Misses Bernice Allyn and Mary Whalian were Pinckney visitors on Wednesday.

Mrs. F. A. Burkhart was quite sick last week but we are glad to say she is now better.

A series of meetings are being held in the German M. E. church near Four Mile Lake.

Miss Etta Reade commenced her school again on Monday after a week's tussle with the quinsy.

Remember the neck tie social at Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Burkhart's Wednesday evening, January 26.

Grange expansion, its growth and benefit at North Lake Grange hall, Monday, January 23. Admission free.

Henry Hudson and Charlie Hagarty vouch for the following: They affirm that on Tuesday, January 16th, they saw a nice lively streaked snake looking for frogs. Of course Henry and Charlie are not afraid of snakes and managed to kill it.

LIMA.

W. E. Stocking is home from Lansing.

Mrs. Squire Covert is seriously ill with heart trouble.

All those interested in organizing a Sunday-school, are requested to be at the church Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Steinbach called on Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wheelock last Sunday.

Mrs. Westfall has sold thirty acres of land to Warren Cushman of Chelsea. This land formerly belonged to Erastus White, a part of the old farm.

There is a rumor current hereabouts that Dorsey R. Hoppe who formerly taught the Lima Center School and who has since graduated from the University of Michigan is a candidate for the nomination for county commissioner of schools. His friends are pleased to note the fact, and sincerely hope the democracy of the county intends to do well by its younger members.

Mrs. George Whittington has still in her possession two articles of table ware which she prizes very highly and what brings back to her, many sweet memories of the past. They consist of a large platter and plate nicely flowered. They have been well cared for all these years and have not a break in them. Her mother brought them from Ireland a great many years ago.

Uncle Lewis Freer was eighty years old the second of the month.

The farmers club will meet with brother and sister Wilson Wednesday, February 1st.

COUNTY AND VICINITY.

The Detroit, Ypsilanti & Ann Arbor railway announces that it will soon open up a regular freight service with rates at about one-half what is charged on the Michigan Central.

Professor Stanley reports that the injuries to the great Columbian organ will not amount to \$25. During the recent repairs to the building the organ has been thoroughly protected against harm.—Argus-Democrat.

Word has been received from Manila announcing the sudden death of Gilbert C. Perrine, of this city, of small pox. The young man's parents reside here and have the sympathy of the entire people. Gilbert was in the service of his country when stricken down with the dread malady.—Ann Arbor Courier.

One of the biggest landed estates in Washtenaw county was partitioned last week. Philip Dunlavy, deceased, owned 58 acres. The estate was amicably settled by the widow taking 203 acres; William Dunlavy, 180 acres in Scio; Edward Dunlavy, 120 acres and a village lot in Dexter; John Dunlavy, 120 acres in Webster, and a store in Dexter; Mary Dunlavy, 110 acres and Anna Dunlavy, 135 acres.

A pretty slick swindler is making in the farming community about Milan. He goes on foot and carries a gallon jug, filled with a medicine, which he claims is a cure all. He is very particular to only go to those houses where some one is suffering from a chronic ailment. He sells this "concoction" for \$5 a jug and one day last week sold three jugs. Pretty slick, but as someone once said "a sucker is born every minute."—Milan Leader.

Henry Masten of Ann Arbor, invented a device a few weeks ago for keeping the trolley wheel of an electric car from jumping from the wire. He showed it to several experts and all united in the opinion that it was worth a small fortune for its inventor. Then he visited a patent lawyer in Detroit, intending to try for a patent. A little investigation showed him that a man from Cleveland, O., had applied two weeks before for a patent on the same invention. It was a close shave.

WHEN NAPOLEON WALKED.

An Incident of the Memorable Retreat From Moscow.

It was on Nov. 25, at about 7 o'clock in the morning, when we saw the head of the column. The first we saw were generals, a few of whom were on horseback, but the majority on foot. The latter painfully dragged themselves along, almost all having their feet frozen and bound up in rags and pieces of sheepskin and dying of hunger. We then saw what was left of the cavalry of the guard. The emperor came next on foot, with a stick in his hand. He was muffled up in a large capote lined with fur and wore on his head an amaranthine velvet cap edged with black foxskin. On his right marched, also on foot, King Murat; on his left, Prince Eugene, viceroy of Italy; then Marshals Berthier, prince of Neufchatel; Ney, Mortier, Lefebvre and other marshals and generals, whose corps had been partly destroyed.

They were followed by 700 to 800 officers and subofficers, marching in order and bearing in the greatest silence the eagles of the regiments to which they had belonged and that had so often led them to victory. They were the remnant of over 60,000 men. My poor Picart, who had not seen the army for a month, gazed on silently, but his convulsive movements showed only too well what he felt. I saw big tears roll down the cheeks and fall on his mustache, from which icicles were hanging. Then, turning to me, "Really, compatriot, I do not know whether I am asleep or awake; I weep because I have seen our emperor marching on foot, a stick in his hand, he that was so great and who made us so proud!" "Memoirs of Sergeant Bourgeois."

Few Class Distinctions in Siberia. There is not much caste or class distinction in Siberia, and the few social rules are lax. The Russian Siberians mingle freely with the native tribes, and their customs and habits have, in consequence, been considerably modified. I have often seen groups of boys playing on the street where the Kirghiz or Buriat boys were mixed indiscriminately with the Russians. From their dress or language it was impossible to distinguish them, for both costume and language were a strange mixture. Only the peculiar features of the native or the more slovenly appearance of the Russian would betray the slightest difference. It is an old saying that you "scratch a Russian and find a Tartar." It might be more appropriately said—at least, of the Russian peasant—that you scrape the dirt off a Russian and find a clean Tartar, for the latter are decidedly the more cleanly.—St. Nicholas.

The statement is made that during the 97 years since the establishment of the state university of Georgia there have been only five deaths among the students.

Canadian Woods in Winter.

The country of the Little Saguenay is as rough as any part of the Rocky mountains. It is the custom to dress lightly for traveling, notwithstanding the 20 degrees below zero, and even then one perspires very freely, making it impossible to stop long for a rest, on account of the chill of the open pores. Ice forms on eyebrows, hair and mustache, while the sweat freezes in scales on the back of one's neck. The snow falls from the trees on the voyager, and, melting slightly from the heat of the body, forms cakes of ice. Shades of Nansen and all the arctic men! I do not understand why they are not all pillars of ice unless it be that there are no trees to dump snow on them.

The spruce and hemlock of these parts all point upward as straight as one could set a lance, to resist the constant fall of snow. If one leaned over so little out of the perpendicular, it could not survive the tremendous average of 50 feet of snowfall each winter. Their branches, too, do not grow long, else they would snap under the weight. Every needle on the evergreens has its little burden of white, and without intermission the snow comes sifting down from the sky through the hush of the winter.

When we stopped and the creak of the snowshoes was still, we could almost hear our hearts beat. We could certainly hear the cracking of the tobacco burning in our pipes. It had a soothing, an almost seductive influence, that muffle of snow. So solemn is it, so little you feel yourself, that it is a consciousness which brings unconsciousness, and the calm white forest is almost deadening in its beauty. The winter forest means death.—Frederic Remington in Harper's.

Faith the Basis of Banking.

Faith is, after all, the basis of banking, and if there be no faith there can be no banking. For that reason it is possible for those who are skilled in bookkeeping, but who are dishonest, to carry on, sometimes for a series of months or even years, dishonest methods by which even the most expert accountants are deceived and can be deceived as long as this dishonest man can have access to the books.

The record of embarrassments or failures has, in almost every instance, made clear, upon examination, that dishonest methods of this kind were carried on by those who had daily access to the books, in one case for a period covering at least 15 years. In that case the dishonest employee, knowing that his safety depended upon his ability to reach the books, refused to take a vacation. If the officers of the bank are unable to detect dishonesty of this kind—even if they adopted the most approved and scientific method of bookkeeping—it is beyond reason to expect that a national bank examiner can do it.—Hon. Thomas L. Jones, President of Lincoln National Bank, New York, in North American Review.

The Pleasing Quachos.

A personal allusion to the color of the negro's skin, a retort calling in question the nice conduct of the pizarro's sister, and then two savages foaming at the mouth, their ponchos wrapped round their arms, their bodies bent so as to protect their vitals and their knives quivering like snakes, stood in the middle of the room. The company withdrew themselves into the smallest space, stood on the tops of desks, and at the door the faces of the women looked in delight, while the pulpero, with a pistol and a bottle in his hands, closed down his grating and was ready for whatever might befall. "Negro," "Ahi-juna," "Miente," "carajo," and the knives flash and send out sparks as the returns do to the tact jar the fighters' arms up to the shoulder joints. In a moment all is over, and from the pizarro's right arm the blood drops in a stream on the mud floor, and all the company step out and say the negro is a "valiente," "muy guapeton," and the two adversaries swear friendship over a tin mug of gin.—Saturday Review.

One Woman's Way.

"Speaking of women with saving dispositions," said Dixmyth, "my wife's in a class all by herself." "How so?" queried his friend Hojax. "Last week I bought an upright piano," replied Dixmyth, "and my wife made a beautiful green plush cover for it, so the polish wouldn't get scratched. Yesterday she made another cover of linen to go over the plush to prevent that from getting soiled. Next week I suppose she'll make a calico cover to protect the linen. Oh, I tell you, women have great big fertile minds."—Chicago News.

An Easy Promise.

In her heart love and duty strove for mastery, and duty won. "No man shall wed me," she exclaimed, with suffused eyes and quivering lips, "who does not promise me that if he is ever president of the United States he will use his influence to have battleships christened with water!"

Such was the ardor of his passion that Algernon hesitated not a moment. "I promise!" he cried, and fell upon his knees.—Detroit Journal.

A Fine Phrasing.

There are some classes of people, says The Cornhill Magazine, who seem to think that when they speak to a person they must use certain peculiar phrases, wholly strange to them under ordinary circumstances, as, for instance, the famous reply of the laborer to the minister's words of praise, concerning a fine fat pig which he saw in his sty, grunting with satisfaction and repetition, "Oh, sir, if only we was all as fit to die as my old sow be!"

And Won.

"Didn't the bride get a fine lot of presents?" "Yes, indeed. She played her cards well."—Providence Journal.

A Great French Etcher.

Charles Meryon—born in 1821—was brought up to the navy, going first in 1837 to the Naval school at Brest. As a youth he sailed round the world. He touched at Athens; touched at the then savage coasts of New Zealand; made sketches, a few of which, in days when his greater work was most of it done, he used as material for some of his etchings. Art even then occupied him, and deeply interested as he soon got to be in it he seems to have had a notion that it was less dignified than the profession of the navy, and after awhile he chose deliberately the less dignified—because it was the less dignified. He would have us believe so at any rate. He wished his father to believe so. And in 1845, having served creditably and become a lieutenant, he resigned his commission.

A painter he could not be. The gods, who had given him even in his youth a poetic vision and a firmness of hand, had denied him the true sight of color, and I remember seeing hanging up in the salon of M. Burty, who knew him, a large impressive pastel of a ship cleaving her way through wide, deep waters, and the sea was red and the sunset sky was green; for Meryon was color blind. He would have to be an engraver. He entered the workshop of one M. Blery, to whom in after times, as his wont was, he engraved some verses of his writing—appreciative verses, sincere and unfinished—"a toi, Blery, mon maitre." The etchings of Zeeman, the Dutchman, gave him the desire to etch. He copied with freedom and interest several of Zeeman's neat little plates and addressed him with praises, on another little copper, like the one to Blery—"to Zeeman, peintre des matelots."—Pall Mall Gazette.

The Seoul Independent says that a recent census of Korea shows a population of 5,198,248, of whom 2,869,767 are males and 2,328,481 females.

REMARKABLE RESCUE.

Mrs. Michael Curtin, Plainfield, Ill., makes the statement, that she caught cold, which settled on her lungs; she was treated for a month by her family physician, but grew worse. He told her she was a hopeless victim of consumption and that no medicine could cure her. Her druggist suggested Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption; she bought a bottle and to her delight found herself benefited from first dose. She continued its use and after taking six bottles, found herself sound and well; now does her housework, and is as well as she ever was. Free trial bottles of this Great Discovery at Glazier and Stimson's drug store. Large bottles 50 cents and \$1.00.

ROBBED THE GRAVE.

A startling incident, of which Mr. John Oliver of Philadelphia, was the subject, is narrated by him as follows: "I was in a dreadful condition. My skin was almost yellow, eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually in back and sides, no appetite—gradually growing weaker day by day. Three physicians had given me up. Fortunately, a friend advised trying Electric Bitters; and to my great joy and surprise, the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks and am now a well man. I know they saved my life and robbed the grave of another victim." No one should fail to try them. Only 50 cents per bottle at Glazier & Stimson's drug store.

COMMISSIONERS' NOTICE.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, COUNTY OF WASHTENAW, s.s. The undersigned having been appointed by the Probate Court for said county Commissioners to receive, examine and adjust all claims and demands of all persons against the estate of Charles E. Hindelang, late of said county deceased, hereby give notice that six months from date are allowed, by order of said Probate Court, for creditors to present their claims against the estate of said deceased, and that they will meet at the office of D. B. Taylor in the village of Chelsea, in said county, on Friday the 31st day of March, and on Saturday the 1st day of July, next, at ten o'clock a. m. of each of said days, to receive, examine and adjust said claims. Dated, Dec. 22nd, 1898.

EDWARD DOLL, JOSEPH WEBER, Commissioners.

PROBATE ORDER.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, COUNTY OF WASHTENAW, s.s. At a session of the Probate Court for the County of Washtenaw, held at the Probate office in the city of Ann Arbor on Wednesday the 18 day of January in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine. Present, H. Wirt Newkirk, Judge of Probate. In the matter of the estate of Jacob Klein deceased. Rosina Klein, the executrix of the last will and testament of said deceased, comes into court and represents that she is now prepared to render her final account as such executrix. Thereupon it is ordered, that if Wednesday, the 15th day of February next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, be assigned for the examining and allowing such account, and that the devisees, legatees, and heirs at law of said deceased, and all other persons interested in said estate, are required to appear at a session of said court, then to be held at the Probate Court in the City of Ann Arbor, in said County and show cause, if any there be, why said account should not be allowed: And it is further ordered, that said executrix give notice to the persons interested in said estate, of the pendency of said account, and the hearing thereof, by causing a copy of this order to be published in The Chelsea Standard, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county, three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing.

H. WIRT NEWKIRK, Judge of Probate.

(A true copy.) P. J. Lehman, Probate Register.

LOOK FOR EARL'S

15c LUNCH!

Pickled pigs feet, ham sandwich and a cup of coffee.

Central City Bakery.

We do first class work.

J. G. EARL, Proprietor.

First door east of Hong & Holme Bazaar

THIS GENTLEMAN



has been perplexed a good many times during the past year.

You, no doubt are sometimes perplexed as to where you can trade to the best advantage.

TRY THE BANK DRUG STORE.

We are in a position to supply you with everything that should be found in a first-class Drug Store.

20 LBS. FINE GRANULATED SUGAR \$1.00

WE ARE SELLING THIS WEEK

1-2 lb. Boxes Fine Chocolates 10c.

See our south show window.

We make a specialty of the

CHOICEST TEAS

THAT ARE IMPORTED.

Try our 35c Tea.

Try our Tea Dust.

You can always depend upon finding a fine assortment of Silverware at the Bank Drug Store. Solid silver spoons and novelties.

It will pay you to trade with

GLAZIER & STIMSON.

It will Pay you to Call on

L. & A. E. WINANS

before buying your

JEWELRY, WATCHES OR CLOCKS.

See their stock, get their prices and spend your money

Watches from \$3.00 to \$25.00 all sizes, grades and kinds.

20 year filled cases and guaranteed movements from \$10 up.

Clocks, watches, chains, charms, rings, pins, thimbles and all kinds of things to suit your taste and pocket book.

ALL ROADS LEAD TO FARRELL'S PURE FOOD STORE

Where you'll always find a complete stock of first-class

Groceries, Crockery, Lamps, Rubber Goods, Gloves

and Mittens, Candy, Nuts, Tinware, and Notions.

WE ARE NEVER UNDERSOLD.

JOHN FARRELL.

Closing Out Sale.

This means that we want to close out our stock of goods as speedily as possible, and are going to make prices that will sell the goods.

CLOTHING.

Suits \$2.50 to \$5.00. Boys' Overcoats \$1.50 to \$5.25.

Odd Pants in wool \$1.25 to \$2.25.

Good overalls 45c.

Everyday shirts 25c, 35c and 45c. We have some 16 1/2 and 17

Laundried shirts that were 75c and \$1.00, now 55c.

Dress Goods at Half Cost Price.

And we will sell you the linings for less than you can buy them elsewhere.

Kid finish cambrics 3 1/2c. 15c seersia 10c. Spring hooks and eyes 3c per card. Stays, per set, 10c.

Regardless of the advance in the price of Prints and Cottons we will continue to close out our stock of Prints at 3c, 3 1/2c, 4c.

The best brown cotton to be had for the money 4 1/2c. Blue and black twilled shirting 9c.

In hosiery we have a good ladies' wool hose for 20c. Fleeced lined hose 10c. Children's hosiery 8c. Gent's socks 4 pairs for 25c.

We have some Shoes, in 2 1/2 and 3, that we will close out at 50c and 75c per pair.

These are only a few of the many bargains we have to offer. Call and look over our stock. You will find things that you want and at prices that will please.

Trim, McGregor & Harper.

Boyd's Building, 126 South Main Street.

Local Brevities

Miss Nettie Dowling spent Sunday at Grass Lake.

M. J. Howe has sold his milk route to John Weber.

Mrs. Arthur Pierce was an Ann Arbor visitor this week.

Mrs. W. S. Hamilton has been very ill the past week.

Miss Beatrice Bacon visited Ann Arbor friends this week.

Mrs. Francis Beach of Detroit is visiting relatives here.

Milton Dwell of Grass Lake spent Friday at this place.

Mrs. Ed. Vogel was the guest of friends in Ann Arbor this week.

The republican state convention will be held at Jackson, March 1st.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Canfield of Ann Arbor are visiting relatives here.

M. J. Howe will move into Charles Tichenor's house on South street.

Hon. Geo. Gillam spent Sunday here with his mother, Mrs. Emma Gillam.

Mrs. D. H. Wurster spent several days of the past week with relatives at Scio.

The two and a half year old child of Mr. and Mrs. Adam Goetz, died this morning.

The ladies of the Baptist church will give an entertainment on Washington's birthday.

Sheriff Gillen was in town Tuesday looking up matters connected with the Rager suicide.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Weber have bought the residence on South street recently vacated by Frank Nelson.

Washtenaw county is entitled to a representation of nineteen delegates at the spring republican convention.

A regular meeting of Olive Chapter, No. 108, O. E. S., will be held January 25th. A good attendance is desired.

Members of L. O. T. M. are requested to be in attendance at regular review, Tuesday, January 25th. Important business.

If you do not see the item that you placed in our item box in this week's Standard, please remember no name was signed to it.

The Detroit Journal speaks of two pugilists being disgraced. Wonder how it happened? We supposed that was an impossibility.

Dorsey Hoppe, who was elected county surveyor last fall, has announced himself as a candidate for the democratic nomination for school commissioner.

D. B. Bently, who was known by many of our readers, died at his home in Chicago last Thursday night. His remains were taken to Ann Arbor for interment.

The ladies of the Baptist church will hold a social at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Davidson on Wednesday, January 25. Tea served at 5 o'clock. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

In the north window of the clothing department of H. S. Holmes Mercantile Co.'s is a fine model of a battleship. It is the work of Howard Holmes, and indicates considerable ingenuity on his part.

The Methodists will hold revival services in the town hall commencing Sunday evening, January 29th. Rev. J. F. Emerick, the conference evangelist, and a singer will be present and assist in the work.

There has been organized at the Congregational church a class known as the business men's class, they meet in the parlors of the church during the Sunday-school hour. E. G. Hoag being in charge of the same.

Secretary of State Stearns has started in to making a saving in his department. He sends out printed matter to newspapers under one cent postage, whereas his predecessors have always used two cent stamps.

The choicest collection of infantile photographs in town was on exhibition at the pleasant home of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Watson Wednesday evening. There were about forty young people present, and it was hard work to get anyone to own that his or her picture was among the lot.

The Northwestern Washtenaw Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Co. held its annual meeting at this place Wednesday. A report of the condition of this company can be found on last page. Nathan Pierce was re-elected president, and Geo. T. English was re-elected secretary and treasurer.

The registration of students at the University is a little over three thousand. It is believed however that counting the new students who enter with the second semester, the total will reach the same figure as last year.

Regular meeting of Olive Lodge, No. 156 F. & A. M., Tuesday evening, January 24th.

A petition to our representatives in the legislature is being circulated, asking them to use their best efforts to have a law passed compelling every one to have tires not less than three inches in width placed on all wagons that carry loads to exceed 1,200 pounds.

There will be a meeting for an explanation of the Grange, and the advantages of such organization at North Lake Grange hall, on Monday evening, January 23d. All farmers and families are invited to be present. Geo. B. Horton, master of State Grange will be present.

Civil Service examinations, open to all, will be held in most large towns in March to get clerks for Uncle Sam. Persons wishing to know the dates and places and how the positions can be obtained can write Columbian Correspondence College, Washington, D. C., and same will be furnished without cost.

Ex Deputy Sheriff Christian Brenner died suddenly at his home, corner Huron and Ashley sts., Saturday morning of a paralytic stroke, aged 43 years. He was born in this county and is well known in this community. He leaves a widow and one child. The funeral will be held from the home on Monday at 2 o'clock.—Evening Times.

A bill has been prepared for the Indiana legislature which is calculated to discourage lynching. The surest way to discourage lynching is to throw aside this wishy-washy sentimentalism, such as has been in evidence in Ypsilanti lately and other sections. When the people can be sure that a murderer or other law breaker will be properly punished, then will lynching become a thing of the past.

The Prohibitionists were supposed to hold a convention here Saturday to select delegates to the state convention, which will be held in Jackson in March to nominate a candidate for justice of the supreme court and two regents. Secretary Britton, of the state central committee, was to have been here but did not show up. The chairman of the county committee, who lives at Salem Center, was also absent. In fact, no convention was held.—Evening Times.

The Foresters have changed the night of holding their meetings to the last Monday in each month. The following are their new officers: C. R., Geo. A. BeGole; V. C. R., Ed. Hammond; recording secretary, C. W. Maroney; financial secretary, J. Geo. Webster; S. W., Eric Zinke; J. W., H. Schumacher; S. B., V. S. Staffan; J. B., Walter Leach; chaplain, Orrin Thatcher; P. C. R., K. O. Steinbach; representative to High Court, C. W. Maroney; alternate, J. E. McKune.

Mrs. Millie Christman pleaded not guilty to threatening to shoot her husband and her trial will take place Friday.—Tribune. And yet bird over in that county tried twice to shoot his wife and goes scot-free; and young Nide fired two bullets into a young lady in Ypsilanti and was discharged. Two would be murderers, whose only virtue is that their designs miscarried, are released, and a woman who only threatens is placed on trial. We are not excusing the woman, but we are commenting on the consistency of the case.—Stockbridge Sun.

FaFayette Grange met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. T. English, January 12th. Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher of Fraternity Grange, delegates to State Grange were present and installed the officers, also gave their report of proceedings at the State Grange which was very instructive and interesting. Ex-Senator Campbell of Ypsilanti Grange was also present.

Mrs. F. H. McMillen read a paper on "Life and what are we going to do with it?" The next meeting will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Baldwin Thursday, January 26 at 10 a. m. Subjects for discussion: "What are the three principal elements of fertility of the soil and how best to maintain them?" G. T. English will lead in the discussion. Second question, "The farm home garden?" Led by Mrs. O. C. Burkhardt.

After printing the item from the Standard in regard to the votes received for the handsomest man and woman, the Stockbridge Sun added the following. Several years ago a fellow called Gindart, afterwards an editor, won the prize over there from the hands of the handsomest three judges who ever sat on an awarding bench, for being the "ugliest" fellow then in town. And no one has ever contested this claim since then. It is a little cruel we know to mention it, but at that time Dave Taylor was in the palmy days of his ugliness, and in the race for the prize; but in the hands of a committee composed of Miss Dell Hooker (now Mrs. Shaw), Miss Estella Royce (now Mrs. W. Guerin) and Miss Phoebe Mohr, Dave stood no show, and we won the prize easily.

The sailors will not get the \$2,000,000 prize money earned under the regulations at Santiago. The leading members of the house naval committee are against the appropriation, and the sailors will be referred to the court of claims. There they will hang for years and years to pester each succeeding congress. The action of the house committee is inspired by antipathy to Admiral Sampson. He would get one twentieth of the sum, or \$100,000. Rather than vote him this tremendous sum, the committee is willing to deprive every naval officer and sailor of his bit.

FARMERS' INSTITUTE.
It is Given Under the Auspices of the Grange and Farmers' Club.

Below we give the program of the Farmers' Institute, as it will be given Saturday, January 28th. There have been several changes from the way that it was first published. An urgent invitation is extended to everyone. All that wish to bring their dinner will find a warm room in the basement of the hall. FORENOON, 10 A. M.

Prayer, Rev. T. Holmes, D. D.
Institute Appropriations, N. Pierce, Lima
Discussion, led by Frank Dwell, Grass Lake
AFTERNOON, 1:15 P. M.

Prayer, Rev. J. I. Nickerson
Music,
Song by Members of the Farmers' Club
The Farmer as a Business Man,
Robert Gibbons, Detroit

Discussion, led by M. K. Preston, Grass Lake
Poem, Mrs. C. T. Conklin, Sylvan
Business Principles and Farm Insurance, M. L. Raymond, Sharon
Discussion, led by Wm. Stocking, Lima
Music.

Tillers of the Soil, A. J. Easton, Lima
EVENING, 7 P. M.

Prayer, Rev. C. S. Jones
Music,
Brains in the Kitchen,
Mrs. Frank Storms, Sylvan

Discussion, led by Mrs. H. A. Wilson, Lima
The Grandest Crop of Our Farms
is Men, N. Laird, Sylvan
Music, Wm. Stocking, Lima
Co operation, led by E. A. Nordman, Lima
Music.

\$50 REWARD.
Whereas some person or persons have several times recently entered the school house in this village and committed various depredations upon the property of the district, and whereas it is deemed important by the school board that the many patrons of the school who fully appreciate the great and inestimable privileges furnished them at such great expense be protected in the enjoyment of these privileges against the lawless depredations of the ungrateful and unappreciative few who perpetrate them; now therefore to the end that all such offenders against law and order may be brought to justice; we the undersigned on behalf of school district No. 3 fractional of Sylvan and Lima hereby offer a reward of fifty dollars for the proof that

will lead to the conviction of the perpetrators of any of the recent depredations upon the property of said district or any similar depredations that may be committed upon it in the future. By order of the School Board.

Dated Chelsea, January 17, 1899.
H. S. Holmes, Moderator
Wm. Bacon, Director
Geo. A. BeGole, Assessor
R. S. Armstrong,
D. B. Taylor.

Lost—A black iced wool fascinator. Finder please leave at office of Glazier Stove Co.

House to rent. Inquire of H. Townsend.

Young lady would like situation at general housework. Address box 324, city.

When you want to buy a watch chain, ring, etc., remember the Bank Drug Store.

WANTED!
Reliable man in this vicinity to open a small office and handle my goods. Position permanent and good pay. If your record is O. K. here is an opening for you. Kindly mention this paper when writing. A. T. MORRIS, Cincinnati, O.

ACTIVE SOLICITORS WANTED EVERYWHERE for "The Story of the Philippines" by Murat Halstead, commissioned by the Government as Official Historian to the War Department. The book was written in army camps at San Francisco, on the Pacific with General Merritt, in the hospitals at Honolulu, in Hong Kong, in the American trenches at Manila, in the insurgent camps with Aguinaldo, on the deck of the Olympia with Dewey, and in the roar of battle at the fall of Manila. Bonus for agents. Brimful of original pictures taken by government photographers on the spot. Large book. Low prices. Big profits. Freight paid. Credit given. Drop all trashy, unprofitable war books. Outfit free. Address, F. T. Barber, Sec'y, Star Insurance Building, Chicago.

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MONSTER Bargain Jubilee!
The Greatest January Clearing Sale of all Sales.
A Complete Sweeping out of all Odds and Ends, Odd Quantities, Broken Lots and Discontinued Lines of Goods before Invoicing February 1st.

Our January Sales are always the Truest and Most Liberal of Them All.

CLOTHING.

If you are in need of Clothing we want you to know that we have the best line of Clothing, at the best kind of prices for a **JANUARY BARGAIN SALE** that you ever looked at. It's new Clothing, made up for this season's business by manufacturers that knew how to make first-class Clothing. It's not old shelf worn Clothing that nobody ever wanted, such as is usually offered during Jan. Sales, but just such Clothing as you or any other good judge of Clothing is looking after and glad to get when the prices are within reach of your pocket book.

It's good Clothing minus the manufacturers profit, and minus one-half the ordinary retail profit, which means new Clothing for the wearer at less than regular wholesale prices.

We are ready to prove what we say by Comparison.

Look, Compare and Judge for Yourself:

Men's all-wool both filling and warp, heavy weight suits, good strong lining, well made, regular \$9.00 and \$10.00 suits everywhere, our price while they last will be \$5.00.

Men's finer all-wool suits at \$6.75 and \$7.50.

Men's all-wool \$12.00 Clay worsted suit at \$8.50.

A large assortment of men's regular \$14.00, \$15.00 and \$16.00 suits at \$10.50.

At this price we offer the finest ready made suits to be found anywhere.

Men's Ulsters and Overcoats at \$4.50, \$6.50, \$8.50 and \$10.00. Look at them and compare with the \$7.50, \$10.50, \$12.50 and \$15.00 Ulsters and Overcoats sold elsewhere.

Boy's suits, coat, vest and long pants, age 13 to 19 at from \$3.00 to \$5.00 nearly every one of them strictly all-wool and regular \$5.00, \$8.00 and \$10.00 suits.

Boy's two piece suits, coat and knee pants, age 8 to 15, several styles, just opened at \$2.25 and \$2.75. Handsome patterns. Pants are double seat and knees. Positively the greatest bargains we have ever been able to offer.

REMEMBER!

Not a shoddy thread in any of this Clothing. It's high grade Clothing at lower prices than you pay elsewhere for shoddy Clothing.

All men's Mackintoshes reduced from 25 to 33 1/2 per cent. Every one in stock must be sold this month.

W. P. SCHENK & COMPANY.

GREAT REDUCTION SALE

on entire stock of

FURNITURE

to make room for new goods

SPECIAL SALE ON LADIES' SEWING CHAIRS

continued during January. \$2.00 oak rockers for \$1.25.

Remember all stock new and up-to-date.

STAFFAN FURNITURE AND UNDERTAKING CO.

The Bent Glass Front. Main Street South.

Furniture Cheap.

We have made a big cut in Furniture to reduce stock.

Special Bargains

in bed room suits, springs and mattresses for the month of January.

Corduroy Couches from \$3.75 up.

This cut also applies to our Hardware Stock.

W. J. KNAPP.

GARLAND STOVES AND RANGES

The World's Best

FOLEY'S HONEY and TAR

IS THE

GREAT THROAT and LUNG REMEDY.

FOLEY'S BANNER SALVE is a Healing Wonder.

FOR SALE BY ALL DRUGGISTS

A BEACON OF HOPE

A FRIEND OF THE FAMILY.

FOLEY'S HONEY and TAR

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CHAPTER II—(Continued.)

"Can we not make a compact of amity then?" he asks, his voice softening luxuriantly as he looks down at the lovely face with the soft, fleecy wool framing the ruffled golden hair.

Her eyes look up quickly, a little willfulness and animosity flashing in their glance.

"We should never keep it," she says. "I don't think you and I could ever agree for long."

"And why?"

"I—have been lectured."

He smiled faintly.

"I should not think of taking it upon myself to lecture you, Miss Yolande; I merely—"

"Yes, yes, I know," exclaims Yolande hurriedly, wondering in her heart all the time how it is that her name has never sounded so sweet as it did just now over her lips uttered in a low, clear voice.

"We don't just go over the old ground again, please. Of course I know you despise all girls, and think us a trivial, silly set of beings; but all the same—"

"Why don't you finish your very untrue remarks?"

"All the same there are other people who hold different views," Yolande continues angrily, "and don't expect to find old heads on young shoulders. I—I know I am not clever," persists Yolande, with a dangerous break in her clear young voice, "or accomplished, or anything of that sort; but still no one ever appeared to think I was hateful and useless."

"And who thinks anything so improbable now?"

"Why—you?" she cries, forgetful of dignity, and composure, and everything else. "You know you do at least you manage to convey such sentiments with tolerable clearness."

"Good heavens, child!" he exclaims, in unfeigned astonishment, "what do you mean?"

His voice and look bring Yolande back to her senses. She struggles hard for composure, inwardly furious that she has so far forgotten herself as to let him see that his opinions are of any value.

"Not that I care the least bit in the world what you think," she adds, with slight emphasis. "We are not likely to be anything more than ordinary acquaintances; and it is only my friends' opinions for which I care."

"I suppose you are right," he says quietly. "We could never be friends."

Then he takes her reluctant hand, presses it for a second's space between his own, and turns away abruptly.

Yolande stands quite still where he has left her. All the color has gone out of her sweet face and trembling lips. She closes her small hands tightly together, as if in sudden pain.

"What is it?" she murmurs unconsciously. "Whenever we meet we cannot agree for a moment; yet, when he leaves me, something—the best part of myself, I think—goes with him."

And she too turns away, and is lost in the shadows.

CHAPTER III.

Money troubles are not unknown to the venerable owner of Morvyn Court, though he keeps them to himself, and never seeks to deny any of his children one single desire of their hearts in consequence.

"Yolande will marry well," he thinks often, as he looks at the brilliant beauty of his cherished first-born, "and for the others I can manage."

He thinks it again one bright spring morning as the three girls are standing on the steps leading to the terrace, awaiting the arrival of a wagonette in which Mr. Hargreaves and Judith have promised to convey them to a picnic in Beechampton Woods.

The wagonette stops close beside them, and Mrs. Hargreaves heartily rings cheerily out in welcome. After much talking, laughing and advising, the party settles down. The girls kiss their hands, the old white-haired man waves his in response; then they are off, whirling away through the delicious sunshine, over smooth, white roads, on and on, till they pause at length at the appointed rendezvous, where the other members of the picnic party are awaiting them.

They are rather a large party, and there is a goodly sprinkling of the eligible youth of the neighborhood, and also a small complement of the military from the adjacent town of Colston. Then an excursion to the ruins of Beechampton Castle is agreed upon, and the pleasure seekers are forthwith marshaled into pairs or parties.

Yolande is attended by her faithful adorer, Lance Stapleton, but she foils his intention of securing a tete-a-tete by a glance of invitation at a certain Captain Deeringham. Poor Lance has a bad time of it. It is with a sigh of intense relief that he at last hails the sight of the ruins, and sees the other members of the party exploring them in every direction.

He waits for a moment to disentangle some forlorn damsel's train from the embraces of a wild rose bush near by, and then hastens to rejoin his former companions. They are nowhere to be seen. Vexed and impatient at losing Yolande, for he had made up his mind to be her guide through the deserted chambers of the old castle—he hurried on, looking right and left for the radiant figure of his enchantress—but in vain.

Meanwhile Yolande has, by an ingenious stratagem, got rid of her enamored captain, and light as a bird on the wing, she flits in solitary delight through the ruined hall, the moss-grown corridors, and gloomy broken stairways of the castle.

It is an eerie place—a place of which many a legend ghastly and terrible has been told. Yolande knows little enough about it, save that in bygone years it had belonged to the Charteris family, and had been wrested from their possession by foul and treacherous means. She finds herself in a narrow gloomy turret with loopholes of windows that give a bird's-eye view of all the country round. So striking and beautiful does the scene look that the girl stands in breathless admiration, gazing before her with tireless eyes.

Presently she glances round. The turret is quite bare, and desolate enough to chill any venturesome spirit that has wandered hither in search of adventure.

"Just a place for ghosts," thinks Yolande, and laughs aloud.

As the pretty silvery sound echoes through the silent space, she starts. The echo has scarcely died away when she hears a strange noise behind her. She turns swiftly. Her cheeks blanch, her blood seems curdling, a fearful numbing horror seizes her. She sees a small door opened in the wall, which reveals a tiny room, furnished more like a prison cell than aught else. But it is not the room that holds her spell-bound. It is the sight of a face looking at her through the doorway—a face bloodless, ghastly, with nothing human or lifelike about it—a face with fierce, dark, gleaming eyes that hold her own in a fascinated, horrible gaze—a face with matted hair hanging in loose unkempt locks over a haggard brow, and around ghastly cheeks.

Suddenly the awful figure advances—the long, claw-like hands are outstretched as if to seize her. The sight gives her back some faint strength amid this fearful paralysis of horror. She makes one frantic spring, pursued by the awful being behind her; a shriek wild and agonizing bursts from her lips; then she is clutched as in a vise, and a horrible giling, mocking voice grates on her ear. She feels herself falling, falling, she knows not whither. Then all is blank.

When Yolande recovers consciousness she finds herself still in the turret. Her brow is wet, her hair is unloosed, and ripples over shoulders and half way to her feet like a shower of molten gold.

She starts and shivers. Her frightened eyes gaze wildly round, and finally rest on the grave, anxious face that is bent so tenderly over her. It is the face of Denzil Charteris.

Swiftly she withdraws herself from his supporting arm and springs to her feet.

"What was it?" she asks, thickly. "What awful thing did I see? Oh, take me away from here! I shall die with terror if it comes again!"

He turns very pale at the words.

"Try to compose yourself," he says soothingly. "There is nothing to fear now. Perhaps it was the bats you heard, or the mice—the walls are full of them."

"Bats!" cries Yolande indignantly. "Do you think I am a baby, to be frightened by mere sounds? No, Mr. Charteris; bats haven't faces and hands like claws, and—oh, take me away, take me away! I wish I had never come here!"

Without a word he draws her trembling hand through his arm and leads her away, speaking only soothing words to win her back to calmness once more. At the foot of the staircase he pauses.

"Pardon me," he says, "but do you not think it would be better to be silent as regards your alarm—to the others?"

"I should not like the rules to be turned into a story for idle curiosity. It would be doing a great favor if you would not mention this to any one else."

Yolande looks at him in undisguised amazement.

"I don't know why I should do you a favor," she says slowly and defiantly. "You have but little right to ask it. What is the mystery about that horrible place? I am sure there is something, or you would not be so anxious for me to conceal it."

He draws a long breath; his dark face grows strangely white and stern.

"You are right," he says; "there is a mystery; but it is hardly fair, I suppose, to expect one of your sex to keep silent respecting it, merely because I ask it as a favor to myself. I cannot give any reasons. I can only trust to your generosity—if you have any," he adds bitterly.

"As you have such a bad opinion of me, I wonder you condescend to make such a request," she says coldly.

"A bad opinion of you?" he repeats, looking with burning, passionate eyes down at the white, proud beauty of her face. "If I had, I should be a happier man than I am to-day."

The words are so startling that Yolande is speechless. Her eyes drop, the color comes and goes with nervous speed in her downcast face. Suddenly she remembers her hair, and with crimson cheeks begins to plait up the shimmering fleece that enfolds her like a mantle.

"Good-by," she says. "And now I am going to retail my adventures in the turret to everybody."

She flashes one provoking, brilliant glance at his offended face, and then hurriedly off to join her sisters.

"Does she mean it?" mutters Denzil Charteris to himself. "Oh, heaven, to think that she, of all persons, should have seen that!"

His eyes grow dark with pain; a heavy sigh leaves his tight-pressed lips.

"How lovely she is!" he thinks, as his unwilling gaze follows the beautiful little figure. "Will a day ever come when I shall be to you what you have all unwittingly become to me—my Lady Coquette?"

"Did he think I was in earnest?" says Yolande to herself, an hour after her adventure.

The whole party are sitting at luncheon. It is spread on the cool green sward, under the shade of a group of beech trees. Coming up the glade are Denzil Charteris and a lady—a lady whom Yolande never remembers to have seen before, but who looks as beautiful a vision as the eye could desire to rest upon.

"Who is that?" inquires Yolande sharply of her neighbor.

Dr. Deane puts up his eyeglass and looks in the direction indicated.

"That lady?" he says. "Don't you know? She is Mrs. Ray. She is on a visit at the Priory. She is a cousin of Mr. Charteris."

"Oh, married!" remarks Yolande, relieved, she scarcely knows why.

"She is a widow now," says her companion. "She was a very beautiful girl. Every one said Charteris and she were to make a match of it."

Yolande sits thoughtfully in her place, declining all offers and invitations to exchange it, or walk off with an attendant swain as most of the Dulcineas and Chloes are doing.

"I want to be alone," she says, pettishly, and at last she gets her wish.

"She leans back with half-closed eyes—'only to think,'" she says.

The thought must have been a long one, for at last she opens them with a start. Voices in the rear are talking eagerly.

"Is it really true? It seems too horrible!" says one.

"It is perfectly true. I had it on the best authority," answers another. "The two brothers were very fond of each other, and they both lived together always. Denzil was the younger, as you know. But when Hubert brought his wife home to the Priory, all the old love and friendship was broken up. She and Denzil fell in love. How far things had gone no one knew; but at last Hubert discovered it, and the shock was so awful that he killed himself—was found, with the pistol in his hand, lying dead one summer morning."

"And the wife?" interrogates the first voice eagerly.

"That is the mysterious part of it, my dear. She disappeared from that moment. No one ever knew what became of her. It was a terrible scandal, of course, and the Priory was shut up and Denzil went away for years and years. He has been quite changed ever since. They say he will never marry. He hates women."

Yolande rises to her feet weak and faint.

The story she has unwittingly heard seems horrible. She longs for solitude as she never has longed for it before. Blindly she rushes on through the woodland glades, her heart throbbing wildly, her pulses quivering.

Suddenly she pauses in her headlong career, as if turned to stone. Not half a dozen yards ahead she sees the figure of a man lying face downward on the cold green sward—a man whose frame is shaken by voiceless sobs, whose whole attitude betokens a tearful, terrible despair. She knows only too well who he is.

She draws back and goes away with noiseless steps and dry and burning eyes.

"Is it for her he grieves—now?" she says.

(To be continued.)

Wanted to See Him.

A little girl of about 7 years of age, dressed in white, and looking as pretty as a picture, came up to the door of the White House one day, while her mother and aunt stood in the grounds. Approaching the usher at the door, she said:

"Please, sir, I want to see the President."

"What do you want to see the President about, little girl?" asked the usher, kindly.

"I want to see him about my brother Ralph; he's a soldier, and we want him to come home."

Just then General Corbin came along, and the usher told him what the child's mission was.

"Want to see the President, eh?" said the bluff old general. "Well, he's very busy now, but I am going up to see him, and you can come along with me. We will see what we can do about that brother of yours."

The little miss, nothing daunted, went along and was introduced to the President.

"What is your name?" the President asked her.

"Blanche Richardson."

"And what is your brother's name?"

"His name is Ralph Richardson, and we live in St. Joseph, Mo.; but Ralph has been going to school at Yale, and he joined the First Connecticut Regiment."

"And you want him to come home now, do you?" asked the President.

"Yes, please, sir. He's been away an awful long time."

"General," said the President, "see what you can do about this."

Then, stooping to the little girl:

"I think you can count on seeing that brother of yours before long."

"Thank you, sir; I'm very much obliged," and she made a courtesy which would have done credit to a queen's lady in waiting.

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TURNED THE TABLES.

A STORY OF ARTEMUS WARD AND HENRY J. BYRON.

The Famous Wit Started In to Have Some Fun With the Dramatist, but Found in the End That He Had Met His Match at Chaffing.

What follows relates to the first meeting of the late Henry J. Byron and Artemus Ward. It was at the Savage club after one of the Saturday dinners, and Tom Robertson suggested to Artemus to have a tilt with Byron and, if possible, draw him out. The genial showman had only been in England a few days, but he knew Byron's "mettle" and went for him in this fashion: "I fancy I have seen a face like yours before. Did you ever have a brother Alonzo?" Robertson was behind Artemus and winked at Byron.

"Alas, I had!" replied the dramatist, instantly catching the situation. "He was a mariner, engaged on the deep?" "That's so." "You haven't heard of him for five years?"

Byron affected to be lost in reflection and deliberately replied: "It's five years ago this very day. How curious you should mention it, sir!"

"Well, sir," replied Artemus, taking out his handkerchief and pretending to wipe away a tear, "I sailed the salt sea with your brother. We were wrecked together in the gulf of Mexico, and before help came I killed and ate him! The moment I saw you I recognized the likeness. He was a good fellow, full of tender feeling."

"I am glad you found him tender," interrupted Byron, also pulling out his handkerchief.

"But, sir, I am awfully sorry I ate him," said Artemus in the most imperturbable fashion. "Had I known I should ever meet his brother I am sure I'd have gone without food some weeks longer. But I was driven to it, and you will forgive me, won't you? I liked Alonzo," and he offered his hand to Byron, which the latter shook with cordiality.

"Excuse my emotion, won't you?" gasped Byron in his handkerchief. "He never wrote and told me what had become of him. I hope he agreed with you."

"A slight indigestion afterward. He was a little tough," replied Artemus, "but we'll not speak of that. We both suffered. He suffered most. But remember, sir, the law can't touch me now. It was stern necessity, and necessity, as you may have heard, knows no law. But I am willing to pay you damages for the loss. About what would you think a fair compensation?"

"Don't mention it," said Byron, who now thought it time to turn the tables. "I think your name is Ward?" said he.

"Yes." "Artemus Ward?" "Quite so."

"You had a father?" "I had."

"He was a Yankee peddler in his own country, was he not? Sold bug pizen and fine tooth combs?" "You've hit the comb—I mean the nail—on the head."

"He died in the black country of England, did he not?" "He did."

"Well, I killed him. I knew you were his son the moment I laid eyes on you. He was a nice old gentleman, and I made his acquaintance in Staffordshire. He wished to go down a deep coal mine; so did I, and we went down together, had a good time, explored, lunched with the miners, drank more than was good for us and proceeded to return to Mother Earth's surface. After you have been down a mine you are fond of your mother, I assure you. The prodigal felt nothing to what I experienced. We entered the huge basket and were being slowly drawn toward the mouth of the pit when I saw the old rope was about to snap under the strain. It was a perilous, a horrible, a critical moment. The weight of two men was too great, and your father was a broad, bulky man. Self preservation is the first law of nature. An instant more and we were both lost. We seemed to be about 50 feet from the top.

I hastily called your father's attention to something—implored him, in fact, to look down the mine. He did so, and as I gently tipped him over he went whirling and crashing to the bottom. It was rough on him, but I saved myself. I ciphered it out on the instant like this: He is an old man, nearly bald, deaf in one ear, two teeth gone in front, with only a few years to live. I am half his age, strong and healthy, the father of a young family, with a career before me, a comedy to finish for the Haymarket and a burlesque accepted at the Strand. Now, I ask you, under the circumstances, did I not behave nobly?"

"You did, you did!" sobbed Artemus. "I would have acted that way myself."

"I am glad to find you so intelligent. You ate my brother and found him tough, and I am the assassin of your dear old father," continued Byron, keeping up the farce of pretended emotion. "We are both avenged. Let us draw a veil over the past and never allude to these heartrending incidents again."

"Agreed. We cry quits. Shake!" roared Artemus, extending both hands and dramatically dashing a flood of imaginary tears from his eyes. Then he summoned a waiter, glasses round were speedily ordered, and everybody was full of congratulations upon the ready manner in which the two wits had conducted their impromptu chaff.—Exchange.

A REBORN.
The Sweet Young Thing—But why should not women enter politics? The Savage Bachelor—Too many bosses there now.—Indianapolis Journal.

Available Testimony.
The following story was told by Major Mensie of a Vincennes lawyer who appeared for the defendant in a trial by jury and put on the witness stand a boy from whose testimony he expected to gain a great deal. To the confusion of the attorney, the story told by the boy was greatly to the detriment of the defendant, and the attorney set to work to show that the boy was "worthless."

"What is your occupation?" he asked the boy.

"I work on my father's farm," the witness replied.

"You don't do much but sit around, do you?"

"Well, I help my father."

"But you're worthless, aren't you?" was the attorney's decisive question.

"I don't know whether I am or not," retorted the witness warmly.

Then the attorney took another tack. "Your father's a worthless man, isn't he?"

"Well, he works about the farm."

The attorney here fastened an eye which gleamed with triumph on the jury and nailed the boy with a glance from the other and said, "Isn't it true that your father doesn't do enough work to prevent his being called worthless?"

The boy had chafed under these unpleasant questions, and, summoning his courage, he said loudly: "If you want to know so bad whether my father's worthless, ask him. There he is on the jury."—Indianapolis Journal.

The Marrying Age.
At what age do people marry? The most popular time for a woman to get married is from her twenty-first to her twenty-fifth year inclusive. More than one-half of the women who marry at all marry in these five years of their life, and another quarter marry between the ages of 20 and 35, and not more than a third between the ages of 25 and 30. The average age of marrying is just over 26 for women and just under 28 for men. These figures include remarriages. For spinsters only the average age is 25, and for bachelors 26½.

It is a noticeable fact that in the last ten years the average age of marrying has, for men and women alike, gone up half a year. Taking the complete quarters ending on the last days of March, June, September and December respectively, the December quarter is most prolific in marriages, and the spring and summer quarters come next, about equal, with the March quarter a long way behind.—New York Home Journal.

"Po!" Cocktails.
Every visitor to Hawaii is expected to become acquainted with "po!" the Kanaka's staff of life. The taste for this national dish is undoubtedly acquired, and even after many trials often fails to come at all. This thick, pasty mixture is made from the taro plant (Colocasia antiquorum), from which originates the "po!" cocktail. In name it is quite as deceiving as the "oyster" cocktail, and those desiring it merely for the name are sadly disappointed on finding that the only liquid it contains is milk.

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MEMBERSHIP.	
1 Number of members added during the present year.....	258
2 Total.....	258
3 Deduct number of members withdrawn during the year and policies canceled by reason of sale or otherwise.....	4
4 Number of members now belonging to company.....	254
RISKS.	
1 Amount of risks added during present year.....	\$ 502,199
2 Total.....	\$ 502,199
3 Deduct risks canceled, withdrawn or terminated.....	3,540
4 Net amount now at risk by company.....	\$ 498,659
RESOURCES.	
1 Cash on hand.....	269 77
2 Nature and amount of all other resources. Fees due from directors.....	30 86
3 Total available resources.....	300 63
LIABILITIES.	
1 Nature and amount of all other claims. Due directors for services.....	7 58
2 Total liabilities.....	7 58
RECEIPTS.	
1 Cash from membership or policy fees.....	470 91
2 Cash from increased or decreased insurance.....	60
3 Total receipts.....	471 51
DISBURSEMENTS.	
1 Salaries fees paid to officers and directors (Schedule A).....	117 50
2 All other disbursements (Schedule B).....	84 24
3 Total expenses actually paid during the year.....	201 74

SCHEDULE A.	SCHEDULE B.
Name of officer or director to whom paid	Items of "All Other Expenses."
W. B. Collins, director.....	Postage.....
S. L. Gage, director.....	Printing, stationery, etc.....
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C. D. Johnson, director.....	L. B. TurnBull, typewriting.....
G. T. English, secretary.....	G. W. TurnBull, attorney.....
Nathan Pierce, president.....	Geo. Ward, janitor.....
Total Schedule A.....	Expressage.....
	Set of books.....
	Binding two vols. of applications.....
	Incidental, etc.....
	Total Schedule B.....

MISCELLANEOUS QUESTIONS.
1 How many assessments have been made during the year? Ans. Not any.
2 What is the aggregate valuation of real property insured by the company? Ans. \$260,554.
3 What proportion of damage or actual loss sustained on real property does the company pay? Ans. Two-thirds.
4 What is the aggregate valuation of personal property insured by the company? Ans. \$238,105.
5 What proportion of damage or actual loss sustained on personal property does the company pay? Ans. Two-thirds.
6 Are all risks examined before written? Yes. By whom? Directors.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, ss.
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