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CHELSEA, MICHIGAN, THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 1899.

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WE WANT TO SELL YOU ONLY WHEN WE CAN SERVE YOU BEST.

We are showing our Fall line of

DRESS GOODS, CLOAKS, GOLF CAPES,
CARPETS, RUGS, ETC.



New Clothing.

New Suits,

New Overcoats,

Boys Suits,

Neckwear,

Gloves,

Hats and Caps,

Shoes.

SPECIAL DRIVES

For this week we offer:

Balance of 5c Lawns for 2 1-2 cts.

Balance of 10c Lawns for 5 cts.

Remnants of Damasks, red or white 1-3 off.

Remnants of Ribbons at 1-2 price.

Remnants of 11c crashes 5, 7 and 9c.

H. S. Holmes Mercantile Co.

Butterick's patterns for October now on sale.

HANDSOME DECORATIONS.

St. Mary's Church Presents a Beautiful Appearance.

On Sunday morning, when the parishioners of St. Mary's church entered their rejuvenated edifice they were most agreeably surprised by its appearance, since the decorator, M. E. Von Mach, and his efficient corps of workmen, have certainly done for St. Mary's parish a masterly piece of decorating.

The ceiling decorations are laid out in panels, colored in with a very delicate cream, and a very delicate shade of olive forming the style, with gold ornamentations in the panels and style. The main center panel is adorned with an oil copy of Murillo's famous "Immaculate Conception." Each side panel on the ceiling is adorned with a sacred emblem, such as the holy bible, the crown, the rosary, the lamb, bleeding heart and others, making ten, all told. The general style of the architecture is carried out in the side walls they being finished in a light gold shade.

The sanctuary is an elaborate and artistic piece of decorative workmanship in front of which are two flying angels holding a ribbon on which is inscribed the following words, "Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus." The ceiling of the sanctuary is decorated in a sky blue blending into a cream with small gilt stars studded around in the blue, while in the center is the emblem of the Holy Ghost. The decorations are further carried out in the upper side walls being of a buff shade, highly ornamented and containing two oil paintings on either side of the main altar one of them being that of St. Joseph and the other of the Sacred Heart of Mary. The tiara and the mitre, (the emblems of the Pope and Bishop) appear over the sacrificial doors on the side walls. The silk tapestry effect which adorns the lower walls are simply magnificent. The oil paintings of the stations of the cross, the altars, the statues, altar rail and wood work have all been regarnished in harmony with the general appearance of the church.

The vestibule and entry doors have been grained and the inside doors being fitted out with enameled French plate glass. So much for the interior.

The exterior is of flat wax finish of a Philadelphia red.

In the near future the church will have a new floor laid of hard maple and re-seated with oak pews.

About \$800 has been expended so far in improvements.

The members of this parish owe considerable to Father Considine, who has been untiring in his efforts to have these much needed improvements carried through, and to those who take their first communion on Sunday, the 24 inst, and confirmed on Thursday, the 28th, by the Bishop during his Episcopal visitation may well feel proud of the fine appearance of St. Mary's church.

TRADE AT HOME.

What a Stockbridge Man Thinks About Mail Order Business.

A Stockbridge man sent the following communication to the Brief of that place, and as it is to the point we publish it:

In justice to all, and for the good of those who may be sending away to Montgomery, Ward & Co. or to any other large institution in Chicago or elsewhere, I wish to express my opinion concerning the practice, and as proof of the fallacy of it, will relate my experience.

A few years ago I sent to Montgomery, Ward & Co. for a hat, and it came, but was a size too small. I wrote and asked if they would exchange, to which they replied they would if it were a mistake of theirs, and asked me to send them the size that was marked upon the hat. I did so, and they replied that the size corresponded with my order, hence they would not exchange.

I went to the store at home and tried to exchange it for one that I could wear, but the merchant did not carry that line of hats, hence did not want to take it. Well, I tried at other places but could not exchange, so I sold it to a neighbor for just one half what it cost me, so I was out 75 cents besides all the expense of getting it here, sending the money back, and running around to get rid of it. Counting all, the hat cost me almost double what I could have stepped into the store here and bought one for, equally as good.

That was my experience, and since then I have been led to think that those of us who are sending away for goods, or whatever we may send away for, are doing just what we ought not to do. It is wholly wrong, and will prove an injury to ourselves and our children.

It is wrong because if we all continue to send there for what we want our home merchants will have to quit business and leave the country, or go to farming, working around by the day, or something else, and the taxes they now pay would be assessed to us. Besides when we wanted a pound of coffee or a yard of calico we would be obliged to wait until we could

get it from Chicago. When we wished to sell a few eggs, potatoes, apples, cherries, or any small amount of produce, where is our market,—why, in Chicago of course, and can't you see that this would not work well?

Besides we have all been scolding about the abominable trusts, and now we are directly supporting one of the strongest and most dangerous trusts in America. If we are unfortunate—our buildings burn and leave us without a home; if we are sick and not able to support our families, will the Chicago firms contribute to our relief?—Not one cent. They do not help to make our roads, pay our taxes or contribute in any way to the benefit of our township, county, or state, while the home merchant does.

The Chicago firms will not trust us for a cent, while the home merchant accommodates us a thousand times by allowing our accounts to run months, and even years. Now are we fair? Are we not injuring ourselves? Is not the tendency toward concentrating wealth in the great cities and destroying our own little towns? Just the thing that is contrary to the principles of economy and a free people.

My experience and observation teaches me that I can buy everything I want right here at home just as cheap, quality considered, as I can anywhere; and if an article is not as represented, our merchants generally will exchange or make the matter right, which in many cases the Chicago merchants will not, and when they do you must be to a considerable trouble and expense to recreate, or box, carry to the depot and ship back, then run the risk of having it go astray and losing the whole thing.

Let us remember that the price that the Chicago merchant gives us is not the whole cost, we must add to this price the cost of postage, freight, and sending money order, all of which our home merchants pay. Now I wish to say in conclusion that invariably where one has sent to Chicago and gotten any article cheaper than they can get it here, has every time received an inferior article, and lost money by the transaction.

Let us throw aside our own petty jealousies and patronize our home institutions. Stand by the men who stand by us. Build up our own little towns, they make our farms more valuable, furnish work for many and make a market for much of our produce. Any person who finds a market here for his produce, or receives employment here, and sends to Chicago for what he has to buy and pay cash for the same, ought to be compelled to go to Chicago to find sale for his produce or to receive employment.

Sending to Chicago to buy goods is not the thing to do. It will throw our merchants out of business, deplete our village, depreciate the value of our farms or other property and make us slaves indeed.

Think of it with an unprejudiced mind and "Dare to do right."

Grass Lake's Finish.

Anson Patchin made his last mail delivery at Sharon last Saturday, and on Tuesday James O. Raymond took out letters and other mail matter to rural patrons on the newly opened route south-east of Grass Lake. Meantime the excitement over the heavy loss of mail patronage and business generally consequent upon the new order of things, has arisen to a white heat in Chelsea. Traveling men bring word that tradesmen in that village only buy goods from hand to mouth, as they are justly fearful that their chief trade, that from the south and south west, is lost to them for all time. It is even hinted that some of the poor fellows are casting about for other fields, the future has such an unpromising look, while all are reducing their help and cutting down expenses in every possible way. On the other hand, here in Grass Lake the merchants are laying in heavier fall stocks than ever before and already a marked increase in business is noted from the neighborhoods favored with rural mail delivery. The News feels much sympathy for Chelsea in its retrogradation and decline, as it is really a pretty little hamlet, but the laws of trade are inexorable and its eyes are "sot,"—Grass Lake News. Poor Carleton!

If the balance of humanity in Grass Lake did as much to boom the town as he, it might amount to something, but they are too many for him and the place still continues to go backward. Since that rural delivery route was started there have been more people from that section of the country seen in Chelsea than ever before, and many of them are heard to remark that they don't see how in the world they ever went to Grass Lake at all, when they can do much better in Chelsea. The only really bright spot in Grass Lake is that which is kept up by Chelsea brains and Chelsea push. As the residents of the section of country through which the rural delivery route lies do not go to town for their mail they are willing to drive a little farther and go to a town where they have a better

chance to do business; where stocks are larger; where they are made welcome; where the business men are wide awake. Grass Lake is doomed. Poor Carleton!

Mrs. Julia V. Newkirk.

Died, at 12 o'clock Friday, September 1, 1899, at her home in this village, Mrs. Julia V. Newkirk wife of Sylvester Newkirk, aged seventy one years.

Julia Viola Johnson was born in Aurora, New York, July 25, 1828. When she was about three years old, her parents moved to Sandusky, Ohio, and in 1840, they came to Dexter.

She was married to Sylvester Newkirk March 2, 1845. They lived in Dexter until 1857, when they purchased a farm one mile south of Dexter, where they resided until 1891 when they purchased the residence on B street in this village, which for the past eight years has been their home.

The deceased was a daughter of Henry S. Johnson and Olive A. (Fillmore) Johnson. She was the last of a family of four children. Her husband and a son, H. Wirt Newkirk and daughter, Emma O. McLaren survive her.

The funeral services were held at the late residence of the deceased, Rev. H. A. McConnell officiating.

A large concourse of friends and relatives assembled and followed her remains to Forest Lawn cemetery, where covered with evergreens and flowers all that was mortal gently sank to its final resting place.

Mrs. Newkirk was known for her kindness to the sick and needy and as a neighbor was loved and respected. The sincere grief of those who survive her is sufficient testimonial to the love they bore her as a faithful wife and tender, loving mother.

Among those present from a distance were Mr. and Mrs. Millard Fillmore, Orland, Ind.; Mr. and Mrs. John Fillmore, Monroe Co.; Mrs. Kate Fillmore, Ann Arbor; Mrs. Maria Stiehler, Perry, Mich.; Mrs. Kate Salisbury and Mr. M. Johnson of Jackson; relatives of the deceased. Also Mr. and Mrs. Vet Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Byron Thompson, Stockbridge; Mrs. Sarah Williams and son, Unadilla; Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Eaton, Milan; relatives of Mr. Newkirk.

Among the many floral offerings was a beautiful piece, Gates Ajar, sent by the county and ex-county officials a testimonial of sympathy in the sad bereavement of their brother official, Judge Newkirk. The members of Crystalline Hive, L. O. T. M. attended in a body and conducted their beautiful burial services at the grave.—Dexter Leader.

There's a well Beaten Path!

It leads directly to our doors. Throngs of people traverse it day after day. Shows that we are strengthening the friendly business relations between the store and public. Without which there can be no success. Want you to keep coming. Want you to tell your friends and neighbors about the

New Drug Store.

Confidence once established between us the rest will be easy.

A FEW BARGAINS.

Lyndon Full Cream Cheese 12 1-2c pound.
Pint cans.....45c dozen
Quart cans.....50c dozen
1/2 gallon cans.....60c dozen

The best line of Coffees in Chelsea.
Royal Java and Mocha.....35c pound
Best 25c coffee money can buy.

Our 16c coffee is a winner.
New Comprader Chop Tea 50c pound.
10 pounds rolled oats.....25c
Large pint bottles mustard.....10c
36 boxes parlor matches.....25c
7 cans sardines.....25c
Bulk starch, 6 pounds for.....25c
Pure bicarbonate of soda for baking 6c lb.

Try a gallon of our 25c molasses
We have choice table syrup 25c gallon
Pure cider vinegar.....18c gallon
Pure Spices is our Stronghold.

We pay the highest

Market Price for Eggs

Yours for Quality and Prices.

PENN & VOGEL.

THE INJUSTICE OF FRENCH COURTS

is the common topic just now. We are not complaining of injustice however while the buying public in this vicinity are pronouncing the

BANK DRUG STORE

the right place to go to for

DRUGS AND GROCERIES.

WE ARE SELLING THIS WEEK:

18 pounds granulated sugar \$1.00.

Pure bicarbonate soda 6c pound.

Best sal soda 3c pound.

36 boxes parlor matches for 25c.

FRUIT JARS. BEST QUALITY.

Pint Jars, with caps and rubbers 45c doz.

Quart Jars, with caps and rubbers 50c doz.

2 Quart Jars, with caps and rubbers 60c doz.

Jelly Cups 25c dozen.

22 pounds brown sugar \$1.00.

Notice our prices on canned goods.

(Not room enough to mention prices on them.)

8 cakes Jaxon soap for 25c.

Fresh ginger snaps 5c pound.

NEW WALL PAPER.

Remember, we always pay the

Highest Market Price for Eggs

either for cash or trade at the Bank-Drug Store.

GLAZIER & STIMSON.

We open our Elevator on
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 1899

and on that day we will pay

80¢ A BUSHEL

for the best 50 bushel load of

WHEAT.

75¢ A BUSHEL

for the second best 50 bushel load of

WHEAT.

70¢ A BUSHEL

for the largest load of

WHEAT.

Should the largest load not be up to grade it will be docked from 70c proportionately.

Bring in your wheat and make a few extra Dollars. On and after our opening we will be in the market for all kinds of grain at the highest market price.

Don't fail to see us before Selling.

Welch Grain and Coal Co.

TRAINMEN

KILLED

FATAL HEAD-ON COLLISION ON THE ROCK ISLAND.

FOUR MEN DEAD AND SIX INJURED IN WRECK.

ACCIDENT DUE TO MISUNDERSTANDING TRAIN ORDERS.

Des Moines, Ia., Sept. 13.—Four men were killed and six injured in a head-on collision which took place on the Rock Island road at South Amana. The trains were extra freights and it is said the accident was due to a misunderstanding of orders.

Following is a list of dead and injured trainmen:

Dead—Webb Smith, Tom Quinn, A. H. Polson, Will Floyd.
Injured—P. C. Brien, John G. Mulligan, Tom Dunn, Chas. Cox, Wm. Clinton, George Woodson.

HOGSDON IN COMMAND

Will Have Charge of Revenue Vessels at Dewey's Reception.

Washington, Sept. 13.—Assistant Secretary Spaulding has paid a handsome compliment to Capt. Hodgson, of the revenue cutter Fessenden, at Detroit, by detailing him to command the entire fleet of revenue vessels that will take part in the ceremonies attending the welcoming of Admiral Dewey at New York. This honor is bestowed upon Capt. Hodgson in recognition of his services during the battle of Manila and subsequently when he commanded the cutter McCulloch, which was used as a dispatch boat by Admiral Dewey. Gen. Spaulding has ordered all the revenue cutters on the Atlantic coast to New York and the fleet under Capt. Hodgson will be by no means the least significant feature of the naval display.

Hoo Hoo's Convention.

Denver, Sept. 13.—The Hoo Hoo in annual convention here voted to hold the next convention at Dallas, Tex., October 9, 1900. Capt. George W. Lock, of Lake Charles, La., was elected snark of the universe. Other officers were elected as follows: Senior Hoo Hoo, Charles F. Keith, Kansas City; Junior Hoo Hoo, F. W. Lawrence, Boston; bojum, A. D. McLeod, Cincinnati; scripnoter, J. H. Baird, Nashville, Tenn.; jabberwock, A. H. Weir, Lincoln, Neb.; custodian, John M. Mason, Vigue, Chattanooga, Tenn.; arcanopier, Eugene Shaw, Eau Claire, Wis.; gurdon, N. H. Falk, Eureka, Cal. Changes were made in the laws allowing newspaper proprietors and editors to be eligible to membership.

Vanderbilt's Funeral.

New York, Sept. 13.—The funeral of the late Cornelius Vanderbilt, who died Tuesday morning, will be held in St. Bartholomew's church, probably next Friday and Bishop Potter and the rector, Rev. Dr. Greer, will officiate. There will be a meeting of the Vanderbilt lines next Thursday to pass appropriate resolutions of respect for Mr. Vanderbilt. All the members of the family have either called in person or sent telegrams with the exception of his son Alfred, who is now traveling somewhere in China. A telegram was sent to several points in China and Japan informing him of the death. Cornelius Vanderbilt, jr., sent a telegram from Newport stating that he was on his way.

Genuine Smallpox.

Saginaw, Mich., Sept. 13.—Smallpox has broken out at Maple Grove, this city on the part of officials here. The county, and the close proximity to this city has occasioned a feeling of anxiety on the part of the officials here. The disease is thought to have been brought from Ohio, the family where many have been exposed, large numbers having called at the home before the nature of the disease was known. All necessary precautions will be taken by the health board of this city at once.

Around the World.

San Francisco, Sept. 13.—The steamer Australia has arrived here. The yacht Narnio, one of the vessels of the Atlantic Yacht club, arrived here yesterday on her voyage around the world. She left New York four years ago, and has covered nearly 40,000 miles under Commodore L. J. Weaver. The Narnio will remain in port several weeks for an overhauling, after which she will probably go to the South Sea Islands, carrying out Commodore Weaver's purpose to cruise all over the globe.

Situation is Critical.

Washington, Sept. 13.—Officials here regard the Venezuelan situation as critical. The cruiser Detroit is due at La Guayra to-morrow night, and as that point is only two hours from Caracas no apprehension is felt that any American interests will suffer by the disturbance. The Venezuelan charge d'affaires, Mr. Pulido, has received no information on the reported serious government reverses by Gen. Castro, and the repressive measures said to have been adopted at Caracas.

Dyer Duly Honored.

Baltimore, Md., Sept. 13.—Capt. N. Mayo Dyer, one of the heroes of Manila, and commander of the cruiser Baltimore in the memorable conflict of May 1, 1898, was honored by this city Tuesday. Residences and business houses were gay with bunting, the streets were jammed with people wearing "Dyer buttons," and "Dyer badges" during the entire day, and all the ships in the harbor, regardless of nationality, were decked in his honor. He was presented with a fine sword.

AN ANXIOUS MOMENT.

Bishop Prayed That Ministers Might be Satisfied.

Detroit, September 12.—The last thing on the program of Detroit M. E. conference was the appointment of pastors to the churches in the seven districts. It was therefore an anxious moment for Bishop Goodsell, as well as many of the ministers who were not sure where they were going and how important a pastorate they would have.

Bishop Goodsell asked the conference to rise while he offered a brief and pathetic prayer for mercy should he have made any mistakes, and strength and power for the ministers who were to go into new fields.

Then he addressed the conference and stated that he hoped the brothers would not judge him too harshly if they were not pleased. He said he had endeavored to find the most suitable man for each place and had also taken into consideration the individual needs and strength, physical as well as intellectual, of the men whom he and the presiding elders had seen fit to send into new fields of work. Bishop Goodsell said he had no doubt that he had made errors, but he had not done so deliberately and he hoped that God and the conference would overlook and forgive any errors of judgment.

VALUE OF TAX TITLES.

Important Suit Started in Menominee to Test It.

Menominee, Mich., September 12.—What promises to be one of the most interesting suits in the Circuit Court for this county was begun in Justice Court at Wilson Monday, but owing to the importance of the same it will be taken before a higher tribunal. The case in point is the first one under the recent decision of the Michigan Supreme Court which concerns tax titles and holds that they are void. The fee owner, a farmer named Clish, sued Gustave Enfield, the holder of the tax title, for trespass in reaping grain from the land. All land owners and holders of tax titles will await the outcome of the case with much interest. Prosecuting Attorney Mills is handling the defendant's case.

BOLD DAYLIGHT ROBBERY.

Clerk in a Howell Store Was Sandbagged.

Howell, Mich., September 12.—One of the boldest pieces of sandbagging occurred here Monday in the office of W. N. Snedcor, an egg buyer. While the rest of the help was at dinner Frank Wines was left in charge, and two persons entered the place and assaulted him with some heavy instrument, bound and gagged him and dragged him in the back part of the room behind some boxes. He was not missed for an hour or more after the other help returned. He then made a noise that drew their attention and a physician was summoned, and in the course of a couple of hours he had recovered enough to give a partial description of his assailants. They tried to get into his office safe, but were unsuccessful. As yet no clue to the perpetrators.

One Man Died.

Houghton, September 12.—Charles Beach and Henry Ferguson, sailors on the schooner Charles Wall, fell from the masthead to the deck to-day. Beach died of his injuries a few hours later, but Ferguson will live. The schooner was discharging coal at the Mineral Range dock at Hancock and three men were sent aloft on the triangle to do some work on the mast. The rope to the triangle broke and they were thrown fifty feet to the deck. The third man caught the rigging and saved himself. Ferguson received painful hurts, but they are not dangerous.

Michigan Pensions.

Washington, September 12.—Original—Benjamin F. Stevens, Mecosta, \$6; David Kenyon, Swartz Creek, \$8. Additional—Jacob Hoover, Vassar, \$8 to \$12; Geo. A. Taplin, Battle Creek, \$8 to \$10. Increase—Jonas Ruple, Vandalia, \$10 to \$12. Widows—Alvira Gilman, Petoskey, \$8; Rosannah Rigelow, Seshon, \$12; Angeline Cook, Ardena, \$12; minors of William Murray, Port Huron, \$2; Wm. Tait, father, St. Louis, \$12.

Blocked the Trains.

Lima, O., September 12.—The threatened stoppage of Detroit, Lima & Northern traffic over the Ohio Southern tracks between this city and St. Johns, occurred Monday. The Lima Northern had been ordered to vacate the Southern tracks, but ignored the notice and the latter trains have by placing an engine on the track. The trouble arose from a dispute over the lease of the Southern tracks.

Metamora Cases in Court.

Lapeer, Mich., September 12.—Circuit Court convened to-day afternoon. The four men indicted by the grand jury in the Cross Roads Weekly outrage pleaded not guilty and an adjournment was taken to the November term of court. Charles Donaldson, one of the two indicted for tampering with Grand Trunk trains is on trial and the case is expected to go to the jury to-day.

Will Begin This Week.

Toledo, O., September 11.—Active work will be begun this week on the Menominee & St. Paul railroad, and the contractors have agreed to push the work as rapidly as possible. The road up to the Michigan state line is to be completed by the close of the building season.

Smallpox in Saginaw County.

Lansing, Mich., September 12.—Two cases of smallpox have been reported to the state board of health from Maple Grove township, in Saginaw county. The disease is supposed to have been brought there from Cleveland.

COST HIM HIS LIFE

WILLIAM DECKER'S FATAL EFFORT TO GAIN TIME.

CLIMBED ON FENDER TO TURN Y SWITCH.

STUMBLED AND FELL AND CAR PASSED OVER HIS BODY.

Detroit, Mich., September 12.—In an effort to save a few seconds' time, Motorman William Decker lost his life last Monday evening at the corner of Oakland and Woodlawn avenues. The accident occurred at the Y switch, just inside the city limits. When the mangled body of the unfortunate man was taken from beneath the wheels, life was almost extinct and he died before an ambulance arrived. Decker had been a motorman on the Fourteenth avenue line for some time. He left his home about 5 o'clock in the afternoon and his car was due at the junction of Oakland and Woodlawn avenues at 5:53 o'clock. He lost some time going through the city and arrived at his destination a few minutes behind time.

As the car rolled towards the Y switch Decker was seen to climb on the fender. Whether it was his intention to make what is termed a "dying switch" or whether he only intended to reverse his sign is not known. Suddenly, however, he was seen to stumble and fall across the tracks and in another moment the front truck had passed over him.

STATE SPECIALS.

Subscriptions for the carnival of fun at St. Louis, September 20 to 23, have closed and a large sum has been collected. Plenty of fun will be the order of the day.

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Delevan C. Smith, a pioneer of Ingham county and a respected resident of Vevay township, died at his home just south of Mason Monday afternoon of apoplexy, aged 74 years.

In the Detroit Yacht Club's sweepstakes, which was run Monday, the Juanita, of Toledo, O., won by half a minute from the Can't Tell, of Detroit. Carrie B. was third. Time, 2:43:28.

Capt. Leon W. Dennison, who was on Saturday appointed a captain in the Forty-eighth Regiment of United States colored infantry, attended the University of Michigan for three years.

The dead body of Daniel Watts, a farmer of West Bloomfield township, was found hanging to a tree Monday. Watts was 70 years of age, and had been despondent since the death of his wife.

The Ann Arbor terminals will be completed by October 10, so says General Manager Ashley, who is at Menominee making final arrangements for beginning work on the same, which will be started at once.

The first pension to be granted in Berrien county as a result of the Spanish-American war has been granted Mrs. Jennette Cousins, of Niles, in the sum of \$12 per month. Her son was killed before El Caney last July.

The soldiers' and sailors' reunion opened up at Big Rapids under the most favorable auspices. The registration is away ahead of the first day of the last reunion and each train is pouring soldiers of both wars into the city.

Deputy State Inspectors H. A. Hoover, of Coldwater, and A. W. Wilkinson, of Chelsea, inspected the various grades of oil fuel at Camden. The grade known as ecene flashed at 95 degrees and the inspectors prohibited further sale of the present stock.

While out driving Monday evening Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Chase, of Birch Run, were run into by a scorching car. They were thrown from their carriage, the vehicle was completely demolished and Mrs. Chase sustained very serious injuries. She may recover.

Lightning struck the barn of Robert Rice, five miles east of South Haven at midnight Sunday and burned it to the ground. Seven hundred bushels of grain, thirty-five tons of hay, a lot of hogs and a stack of straw were also burned. The cattle and horses were saved with difficulty.

Two men, named Thomas Crowley and Sheridan Tucker, arrested in Alpena last week, were arraigned at Harrisville for breaking into C. A. Johnson's store and the postoffice at Mikado on September 4 and stealing therefrom about \$60. The case was adjourned two weeks with \$1,000 bail each.

Rev. Jabez T. Sunderland, of the First Unitarian church of Oakland, Cal., who left Ann Arbor a year ago, has resigned and accepted a call from a Chicago church. Mr. Sunderland is well known throughout the state as one of the most forcible and learned ministers of the Unitarian church.

Rev. Allen Mat Laird, a former Hillsdale clergyman, who graduated from Hillsdale College with high honors, has been deposed from the ministry of Christ church. He was adjudged guilty of improper relations with a member of his flock at Alkhart, Ind. The victim of his duplicity ended her life by suicide.

W. R. Turner, late of Company M, Thirty-first Michigan, has returned to Milan, when in Cuba he left the Thirty-first to join the hospital staff in Porto Rico. While there attending to his duties the horse he rode reared and fell upon him, injuring him very severely. He has been in the hospital at New York for several weeks.

Spontaneous demonstrations in favor of Dreyfus have occurred in many parts of Italy. In Florence a crowd shouting, "Down with the Jesuits," threatened the French consulate.

SUPREME COURT DECISIONS.

Reopened Yesterday After the Long Recess.

Lansing, Mich., Sept. 13.—The Supreme Court handed down decisions in the following cases late Tuesday afternoon:

Affirmed—Holland vs. Holland; Alpena Loan & Building Association vs. Denison; Burnside vs. Novelty Manufacturing Co.; Davidson vs. Fox; Er-meling vs. Bargh; Thompson vs. Owens; Lutz vs. Davidson Cycle Co.; Pike vs. Pike; First State Savings Bank vs. Webster; Blitz vs. Ronch; People vs. Booth; People vs. Gilman; Kissane vs. Detroit; Ypsilanti & Ann Arbor Railway Co.; Penke vs. Bradley; Murdoch vs. Walls; Case vs. Skinner; Emphrey vs. Emery.

Modified and affirmed—Smalley vs. Goaring; Wayne County Auditors vs. Reynolds. Reversed—Abbott vs. Guerner; Smith vs. Detroit Loan & Building Association; Harris vs. Gates; Texarkana National Bank vs. Stillwell & Co.; Seymour vs. Root.

Writs of certiorari were allowed in People vs. Jamieson; Blades vs. Board of Water Commissioners of Detroit; and Township of Springwells vs. Detroit; Ypsilanti & Ann Arbor Railway Co.

Orders to show cause were granted in Gibbs vs. Montclair Circuit Judge; Vineman vs. Donovan, Circuit Judge; Pixley vs. Berrien, Circuit Judge; and Markham vs. Adsett, Circuit Judge, and denied in Dorner & Dutton Manufacturing Co. vs. Hosier, Circuit Judge.

In the matter of Charles T. Mains, the court directed proof to be produced before the court October 3 that the affidavit and brief of which petitioner complains were on file in the Circuit Court at the time stated. The question of further issue will then be heard.

FOR FALSE IMPRISONMENT.

Grand Rapids Man Wants the Sum of \$10,000.

Grand Rapids, Mich., Sept. 13.—Eugene M. Cornell, of this city, commenced suit Tuesday against the Adams Express Company and the City Trust Safety Deposit Co., of Philadelphia, for \$10,000 damages for false imprisonment. Two years ago Cornell was express agent and baggage man on the G. R. & I. north of here, and one day he received a package containing what he supposed to be \$10,000 in money. When it was delivered it was \$1,000 shy. The surety company was obliged to make good the money, but would not do so until Cornell was prosecuted. There was no evidence against him and he was promptly acquitted. But he lost his job and was compelled to stand considerable expense in his trial. The money was never found.

A GREAT HONOR.

Rev. L. T. Cole Offered Presidency of an Eastern College.

Ann Arbor, Mich., Sept. 30.—Rev. Lawrence D. Cole, of this city, venerable archdeacon of the diocese of northern Indiana, has been offered the position of President of St. Stephen's college, situated on the Hudson at Annandale, N. Y. As he is only 30 years of age, R. T. is a great honor. St. Stephen's is a college backed by the Vanderbilt and the most wealthy Eastern Episcopalians. He is a U. of M. '92 lit., and took the degree of doctor of philosophy at Columbia college. He has imposed certain conditions before he will accept, which the governing board will consider this week.

BIG RAPIDS' 16 REUNION.

Record-Breaking Crowd in Attendance.

Big Rapids, Mich., Sept. 13.—The second day of the soldiers' and sailors' reunion found the big registration doubled, with the crowd of visitors constantly increasing. The industrial and educational parade contained many interesting features. Nearly every district and village school in the county was represented, as well as the public and private schools of this city, and the whole made an imposing procession never equaled in this section. The weather is cool.

To-morrow is Spanish-American war day, and many members of the state troops and prominent politicians and others will be here.

REQUESTED TO RESIGN.

Members of Stanton's Board of Public Works.

Stanton, Mich., Sept. 13.—The citizens turned out in large numbers Monday night to hear the report of the committee of the common council, appointed last week by Mayor F. A. Miller to investigate the water and light system of this city. The committee reported total amount of expense of the plant for three years, beginning September 1, 1896, and ending September 1, 1899. The committee furnish a

Octogenarian Minister Weds.

Northville, Mich., Sept. 13.—Rev. Seth Reed, formerly of this place, but late of Gaylord, was married to-day to a well known Flint lady. The wedding took place at Orion, where the elder owns a beautiful summer home, and where the bride is also spending the warm months. Mr. Reed is 80 years of age and was presiding elder of the Saginaw and Flint districts for many years. His wife died about one year ago. He is the oldest Methodist clergyman in the Detroit or Michigan conference and is unquestionably the best known.

Cabled to Dreyfus.

Otsego, Mich., Sept. 13.—The following telegram was sent to Dreyfus from this place by citizens of Otsego: "We hope for your pardon. If granted, we extend cordial invitation to make your home in Otsego."

EXCITED CROWDS

EVERYTHING NOW HINGES ON KRUGER'S REPLY.

THE 48-HOUR LIMIT NOT TO BE INSISTED ON.

THE IRISH-AMERICAN ALLIANCE PRONOUNCED A FAKE.

Pretoria, Sept. 14.—President Kruger and the executive council met here to consider the reply to be made to the British secretary of state for the colonies, Mr. Chamberlain. They are still conferring by telegraph with the Orange Free State. The decision is anxiously awaited by the crowds outside the executive building.

A communication has been received from the imperial government stating that although anxious for a prompt reply the imperial authorities do not desire to tie the Transvaal authorities down to 48 hours.

The reply will possibly come before the Volksraad Thursday. The decision of the executive will undoubtedly be influenced by the action of the Orange Free State.

The government is still willing to attend the joint commission originally proposed. The Transvaal war office denies any knowledge of the reported offer of 10,000 Irish-Americans to fight against Great Britain.

BRIEF DISPATCHES.

The steamer Chas. Nelson arrived at Seattle Wednesday from St. Michaels, Alaska, with about half a million in gold and 200 passengers from Dawson and Cape Nome.

The secretary of the treasury has decided, in view of the money stringency in New York, to anticipate the October interest. This amounts to \$.596,256, and is due on the 4 per cents of 1907. The secretary's action was taken without solicitation.

The British association for the advancement of science successfully exchanged courtesies Wednesday with the French association for the advancement of science, now in session at Boulogne-sur-Mer, using wireless telegraphy for the purpose.

Pedlar Palmer, the defeated bantamweight pugilist, sailed for England Wednesday. Palmer said that, after his approaching fight with Curley, which he is confident of winning, he is prepared to make a match with Terry McGovern for any sum the latter can raise.

A gift of 400 pounds has been received from James Woodward, of Du-buque, Ia., by the Wesleyan chapel of Kirby-Stephen, out of gratitude for Sunday school teaching received forty years ago. Mr. Woodward recently sent the chapel another contribution of the same amount.

The war instructions issued to railway officials at Johannesburg direct them to remain at their posts as long as possible. When the enemy seizes any section of the line, the officials must go to the next unseized point. They are forbidden to carry arms or to resist any regular force.

Luther Day, son of former Secretary of State W. R. Day, had a narrow escape from death Wednesday, while hunting. He stepped upon a marshy piece of ground and was drawn into a quagmire. He sank to his shoulders and was only rescued after three hours' work by his brother and a farmer who came to his assistance.

The war department has information concerning the escape from Aguinaldo of Dr. Gonzalez and Sr. Bonifacio Arvalo. These men were in the insurgent camp for some time, and being very wealthy, they were assessed quite heavily to assist the cause. Gonzalez was offered the position of minister of foreign affairs by Aguinaldo but declined.

General Benjamin F. Tracy continued his argument Wednesday before the Anglo-Venezuelan boundary arbitration commission. He claimed that for one hundred and sixty-seven years after the treaty of Munster the Dutch had not appointed a single permanent official in the contested territory west of the Essequibo, nor had they settled therein. He contended that their traders were not settlers.

GENERAL MARKETS.

Live Stock Market.
Chicago—Market weak at decline 5@10c; Mixed and butchers', 14 1/2@15; good heavy, 14 3/4@15; rough heavy, 14 1/2@15; light, 14 1/4@15; extreme early top 14 1/2. Cattle—Beefers, 14 5/8@15; cows and heifers, 14 3/8@15; Texas steers, 14 3/8@15; stockers and feeders, 14 3/8@15; westerns, 14 3/8@15.
East Buffalo—Cattle steady to strong, demand unsupplied for fat butchering cattle. Veal calves—Fair to good, 10 1/2@11; small and medium, generally 11 1/2@12; one dead choice, 11 1/2; pigs, 8 1/2@9 1/2; several loads Michigan and common hogs unsold, closing weak. Sheep and lambs—Market dull and 25c lower; good to choice, 15 1/2@16; fair to good, 14 1/2@15 1/2; culls and common, 14 1/4@15; sheep steady, mixed, 11 1/2@12 1/2; fair to good ewes, 11 1/2@12 1/2; culls and common, thin stuff, strong, 11 1/2@12 1/2.

New York Produce Market.
New York—Butter—Receipts, 11,900 pkgs; firm; Western creamery, 15@22c; June creamery, 15@22c; factory, 13@16c. Cheese—Receipts, 6,800 pkgs; quiet and steady; large white, 11 1/2@12; small white, 11 1/2@12; large colored, 11 1/2@12; small colored, 11 1/2@12. Eggs—Receipts, 14,150 pkgs; firm; western regular packing at 13 1/2@14.

Chicago Produce Market.
Chicago—Butter—Creameries, extra, 22c; firsts, 19@20c; seconds, 18@19c. Dairies, extras, 17c; first, 15c; No. 2, 14c. Cheese—Young American, 11 1/2@12; new twins, 10 1/2@11c. Eggs—Fresh stock, 12 1/2@13c per dozen, loss off; cases returned, 11 1/2@12.

Detroit Sales.
No. 2 red wheat, 7 1/2@8 1/2; December, 7 1/2@8 1/2; May, 7 1/2@8 1/2. No. 3 red wheat, 7 1/2@8 1/2; December, 7 1/2@8 1/2; May, 7 1/2@8 1/2. No. 2 corn, 31 1/2@32; No. 2 white oats, 21 1/2@22; No. 2 rye, 59 1/2@60; October beans, 11 1/2@12.

Chicago Grain.
Wheat—December, 7 1/2@8 1/2; May, 7 1/2@8 1/2. Corn—December, 25 1/2@26; May, 25 1/2@26. Oats—December, 21 1/2@22; May, 21 1/2@22. Rye—December, 21 1/2@22; May, 21 1/2@22. Barley—December, 21 1/2@22; May, 21 1/2@22. Beans—December, 11 1/2@12; May, 11 1/2@12. Clover—December, 11 1/2@12; May, 11 1/2@12. Hay—December, 11 1/2@12; May, 11 1/2@12.

PENDING DECISION

EVERYTHING NOW DEPENDS ON THE CABINET.

TRANSVAAL SITUATION ONE OF SUPPRESSED EXCITEMENT.

HOLLANDERS HAVE PLEDGED TO BOERS THEIR SUPPORT.

Johannesburg, September 12.—The officials of the Netherlands Railway Co. have been notified to hold themselves in readiness to guard the line in the event of war. The Italians in the Transvaal have decided to remain neutral should hostilities arise.

The Transvaal Hollanders here had a meeting Monday and adopted resolutions of sympathy with the Transvaal government, pledging their support. The burghers of Pretoria are offering the government gifts of wool. Town has a deserted appearance.

Excitement prevails there pending the decision of the cabinet. Secretaries of State Reitz has left Pretoria for this place and Cape Town. The likelihood of war is much discussed. The coming of British troops is not regarded as meaning certain war, merely as making up for the paucity of troops in South Africa, so much commented upon during the past month.

Four trains containing refugees from Johannesburg have arrived at Cape Town. Four hundred refugees have also arrived at Durban. During the past week the relief committee of Johannesburg assisted 2,000 cases of distress reported throughout the Transvaal.

London, September 12.—The activity in the war and admiralty continues, though there is nothing new regarding the Transvaal situation. It is said that orders have been sent to America for light iron guns and bridging sections for probable use in South Africa. Transports are moving to the docks preparatory to embarking troops.

GOVERNMENT CROP BULLETIN

Giving Conditions of the Year Crops at the Present Time.

Washington, September 12.—The September report of the statisticians of the department of agriculture shows the following averages of conditions September 1: Corn, 83.2; wheat, 82.2; oats, 87.2; rye, 82; buckwheat, 73.2; potatoes, 86.3; barley, 86.7.

There was a decline in the area condition of corn during August amounting to 4.7 points, but the condition on September 1 was still 11.1 points higher than on September 1, 1898, and 2.9 points above the mean of the September average for the last ten years.

The condition of winter and spring wheat consolidated is 70.9, as compared with 80.7 on September 1, 1898, and 85.7 at the corresponding date in 1897 and 82.5 the mean of the September averages for the last ten years. The condition on the first of the present month was the lowest September condition in twenty years. The report from the principal winter wheat areas, with the exception of Kansas, Missouri, slightly better than of 1898.

The average condition of oats on September 1, 1898, 84.6 at the corresponding date in 1897 and 80.8 the mean of the September averages for the last ten years.

The average condition of potatoes was 86.3. This shows a decline of points during August, but is still points higher than on September 1, 1898, 19.6 points higher than in 1897 and corresponding date of the September averages for the last ten years.

There is a continued decline in condition of apples from almost important apple growing state. The number of stock hogs for fat is reported at 7.9 per cent less on September 1, 1898. The condition 95.9, which is 0.2 points below the mean of the September average for the last ten years.

BRIEF DISPATCHES.

Monday's statement of the condition of the treasury shows: Available balance, \$283,111,930; gold reserve, \$254,464,084.

BIRDS ARE ANGRY.

WHEN THEY MAKE SOUNDS TO EXPRESS EMOTION.

They sing in the intervals of fighting. The Nightingale is Pugnacious—Fight-sparrows Make Expressions of Fury—some Sing During a Combat.

When a cat or dog snarls we know that the sound is intended to express hatred and a threat of attack. The howling of a cow or of a calf, the bleating of a kid, the snorting of a horse and its whinnying can hardly be misunderstood. But the meanings of the cries of birds are less obvious. The cawing of a dove or the warbling of a blue bird may seem to be as expressive as any note of the quadrupeds just mentioned, but when attention is given to the actions which accompany the cries of birds, an observer finds that some very pleasant sounds are incidental to very unkind behavior. In a few cases the combativeness of a bird is fairly well suggested by its cry—as occurs in the common fowl, whose "caw" is as defiant as a bugle blast. The shriek of the woodcock, also, is very expressive. These sounds, however, do not represent the greatest passion. We must listen to birds actually engaged in combat in order to hear the expression of their utmost hate—their worst language; and, listening thus, we often make the discovery that the sound accompanying an attempt at murder is closely like (sometimes apparently identical with) sounds which seem to be joyous song. The little brown wren mounts the top of the hedge and sings a sprightly song. The notes seem to be the spontaneous outpouring of joy. Twenty yards farther along the hedge another wren mounts to the topmost twig, perks its tail and utters a similar lively tune. Number one flies a little way toward number two and sings again. Here, then, is a pleasing avian duet! But soon the wrens are fighting furiously, tumbling over and over each other at the bottom of the hedge, while at intervals snatches of the same dainty ditty are heard. They sing in the intervals of fighting, what seemed a song of peace and love.

In view of what the birds are doing, it may be surmised that their language at this moment is very bad, indeed. But instead of the sprightly wren the scribe robin may be under observation. If a singing robin is watched, and especially in autumn, he will be seen to attack any other singing robin which may be near yet the birds will be singing all the while and their songs will be like the ordinary songs of the species, though a trifle sharper in tone. The music is evidently intended to convey the animosity of the birds. The hedge sparrow twitters in quite a subdued tone when fighting; yet it nevertheless seems to be singing. The willow wren sings its ordinary song when about to attack a rival. The chaffinch, however, does not employ his cheerful strain on the like occasion. The nightingale is somewhat pugnacious, and I have several times seen two fighting (I once saw three), but no song notes were then given.

Among the finches and sparrows a combat is often accompanied by a slight twittering, somewhat similar to rapid repetitions of the call note, malice and love having thus the same tone, but some species employ a particular note. The chaffinch has only one cry when fighting, he is enemy bird or beast. That cry is the common note, "tink" or "tink." The male house sparrow is one of the most silent of fighters.

When male sparrows intend to fight, they hop about restlessly near each other, their feathers held very close, and their tails flitting up and down almost continuously. Presently one of the birds darts at the other and tries to give him a lance thrust with the bill, the other springs aside, and the aggressor alights near, and the flitting of the tails continues. But all this time the birds utter no cry. When the contest has reached the stage of a struggle in the next place, however, there is some noise scuffling and screaming. The cries are not the tones of love; they are expressions of fury.

There are many species which give the full song during combat. I have heard the full song of the tree pipit sung by a bird fighting furiously. When first seen the birds were fighting in flight, they fell to the ground together, and in this position, and when I was not more than three yards distant, one of them muttered the full song, including even the final "whee" which is usually uttered while the bird is descending on outstretched motionless wings. The common pied wagtail, when attacking another, utters cries which seem to be his ordinary call notes; and the same incident may be observed in the skylark. Last summer a lark was singing as usual above his meadow, and another swooped at him. The newcomer was vigorously repulsed, though not until some pretty flying and stooping had been performed; and the birds were singing all the while. They were evidently rival neighbors, but in this instance, as in those above mentioned, mere rivalry and emulation would not account for the behavior of the birds. This must be credited to hatred and ill-will.

The largest stamp mill in the world just started up at the old Treadwell gold mine, on Douglas Island, Alaska, has 60 batteries, each of five stamps, and each having a crushing capacity of four tons daily. The Treadwell mines now operate 800 stamps, and crush 3,500 tons of ore daily, representing \$14,000.

LIFE OF TOLSTOI.

INFORMATION CONCERNING HIS EARLY LITERARY STRUGGLES.

Some Incidents in the Life of the Great Humanitarian—How Tolstoi profited by the Counsel of Nekrasoff Shown by His "War and Peace."

Count Leo Tolstoi, to-day the most remarkable figure in Russia, has once more attracted the attention of all Europe by his renewed attempts to secure Imperial permission for the deportation of the members of the long oppressed Dhoukhoborts.

The St. Petersburg Niva publishes some interesting information with regard to Tolstoi's early literary struggles.

It was in 1852 that Count Leo Tolstoi sent to The Contemporary of St. Petersburg his first literary work, "Childhood," which he presented without a signature. It was only when the poet Nekrasoff, who was the director of The Contemporary, urged him to sign his writings and assured him that no Russian review had the right to publish an anonymous article that the author decided to sign his name to his work. Nekrasoff praised his first work, but at the same time wrote to Tolstoi:

"As to the question of honoraries, I neglected to speak of it in my first letter for the following reasons: It is the custom (with our reviews) not to pay for the first work offered to the public by a debutant. Our greatest authors, Gontcharoff, Turgenieff, myself, we will have passed by that road. I advise you to submit to this rule, promising you for your subsequent works the highest price, the price we pay our best writers—fifty rubles an impression leaf (sixteen pages). Another motive for my omission of this subject in my letter was this: Before speaking of it I wished to see if the opinion of the public should accord with my own. It is certainly in your favor. I am very happy to see that I was not misled by my opinion of your first work, and it is with a lively satisfaction that I offer you the above conditions."

Three years later, in 1855, Tolstoi published in The Contemporary his "Souvenirs of Sevastopol," which suffered severely at the hands of the censor. In regard to that work Nekrasoff wrote to Tolstoi:

"The horrible mutilation which your article suffered has turned my blood. I cannot think of it even now without rage and sorrow. . . . Your work shall not be lost. It must always bear witness to the rare power which was able to exhibit a truth as strong and as healthy as that contained in your writings under conditions which would have made it impossible for any one but you to do such work. I cannot tell you how highly I esteem your writings, and to speak in general terms, how highly I esteem the tendencies of your talent and all the qualities which render it so vigorous and so new. It is just exactly what Russian society needs—the truth, the truth of which here remains so little in our literature since the death of Gogol. You are right when you give so large a place to his love of truth. I do not know any one in our day who makes himself as warmly loved as the one to whom I write these words, and I have only one fear. It is that time and the misery of reality may make of you what they have made of the majority of us by tilting the energy, without which there are no writers—in fact, such as we need in Russia. You are young, and there are changes in course of preparation, which let us hope, may finish well, and perhaps then your career may be brilliant. I will not console you by saying that your work, even mutilated as it is, has been considered admirable by many people. We who know the work in its plenitude know that, mutilated as it is, it is only a mass of words without cohesion, a work whose intimate meaning has disappeared. Your story, the 'Coupe du Bois,' has suffered less from the censor, although in that also several inimitable features have been suppressed. My opinion of this novel is that in its form it reminds us of Turgenieff, but the resemblance ends there. All the rest belongs to you alone, and you only could have written it. Do not neglect such subjects. In all that concerns soldiers our literature furnishes nothing but trivials. Under whatever form you may express what you know of military life your writings will be interesting and useful in the highest degree."

That Tolstoi profited by the counsel of Nekrasoff we can see in his celebrated romance, "War and Peace," which he wrote not long after he received the poet's advice.

Why an Elephant's Neck is Short. The reason of the shortness of the elephant's neck is, that the head of the animal is so heavy that were it placed at the end of a neck of a length proportionate to the dimensions of the organ in other animals, an almost incalculable amount of muscular force would be necessary to elevate and sustain it. The almost total absence of a neck obviates the difficulty, and the trunk serves as a substitute. The use and advantages of a long neck, peculiarly exemplified in the giraffe, which contains only the same number of vertebral articulations as in the elephant, are in the latter supplied by the trunk or proboscis, by which he is enabled to carry food to his mouth and to drink by suction. This curious organ contains a vast number of small muscles variously interwoven, is extremely flexible, endowed with the most exquisite sensibility, and the utmost diversity of motion, and compensates amply for the absence of a long neck.

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STORIES OF THE DAY

Story of How the James Miller Thatched the Prince of Wales.

James Miller, a prominent citizen of Oakland, Cal., who owns a large pottery there, has the distinction of having once thatched the Prince of Wales. Mr. Miller recently told the story to a writer for the San Francisco Bulletin, in the following words:

"It was when we were both boys that the Prince and myself met in battle, and when the smoke of the engagement had cleared away there was no question raised as to who had won. He was out of it."

"At that time I was visiting my uncle, who lived in old Porto Bolo, the famous little Scottish pottery town on the south coast, on the Firth of Forth. One day I was riding out on a donkey, and the young Prince was walking, when we chanced to meet and trouble followed. The Prince approached me, and catching me by the leg pulled me from the saddle. In those days I was a fighter, and before the youngster knew just what struck him—I had landed some good left swings and he was all out when his tutor, who accompanied him, came to his rescue. I cannot deny that the Prince got the first fall when he pulled me from the donkey, but all the rest of the honors were easily mine. It is not of record just what happened to me after it was all over, but I have just a hazy recollection of a meeting with my aged uncle that ended in disaster for me."

"That fight made the Prince of Wales my friend for life. Long after that meeting in boyhood he happened to learn that I was in need of financial aid, and he lost no time in sending me a check for a princely sum. We have met several times since then, and the Prince always buys the wine after making me promise to fight fair."

Saved a Wife Answer.

The old Duke of York, whose effigy looks down from the top of the column in St. James's park, was once commander in chief, and frequently entertained the officers under his command. On one occasion the empty bottles had accumulated inconveniently, and the Duke called to a servant: "Take away these bottles!" Now a distinguished officer of marine was present.

"May I ask your royal highness for an explanation of that phrase?" said the undaunted representative of the "sailors and soldiers, too." The Duke was the last man in the world to take refuge behind his dignity as royal highness, or even his exalted rank in the service. "I wear a blue coat, and you know where to find me," he had written to Colonel Lennox, when there was a quarrel between them, and he had "gone out" with the colonel as if he had been only plain Major Dobbin. But on this occasion a readiness of wit, which was not usual with him, saved the situation.

"They have done their duty," he said, "and are ready to do it again. That's why I call 'em marines!'"—San Francisco Argonaut.

Decided on His Future.

A small boy friend of mine who lives out at Cleveland Park has decided on his future profession at the age of four. He has the interrogation mania in a peculiarly aggravated form, and after the first million or two questions in the day, his mother in self-defense begins to answer. "I don't know." Just the other day the child had an unusually violent attack of question asking, and he tired of hearing her inevitable response. "Well," he said, "I know what I'll be when I grow up. I'll be so I can tell my little boy things he wants to know: I'll be a find-outer."—Washington Post.

Toast of the Skeletons.

"Well, here's to war. It's a splendid thing!"

"It is, and some wars are better than others."

"Yes, but they are all splendid. The whole idea of war is immense. Why, if it hadn't been for this recent invasion you and I would be at home in the flesh to-day with our families."

"True, but our deaths were glorious, and in a holy cause."

"You mean shooting Spaniards?"

"Yes, and Philipinos."

"But I didn't shoot anybody. I died of starvation and neglect."

"So did I."

That Won't Do It.

"Doctor," sighed the fat man, "I guess it's no use. I've tried everything you've prescribed and grow fatter all the time. Your latest recommendation was to ride horseback. I've done so faithfully for a month, but I've taken on eighteen pounds and the horse has lost 160."

"Ah, there's a scientific suggestion," said the elated doctor. "Try letting the horse ride you for a while."—Detroit Free Press.

Their Appreciation.

The barnstorming crew had not eaten for two days and two nights. Suddenly the eldest sourette appears with a quantity of eggs.

"Where did you get them?" breathlessly inquired the heavy man.

"I got them for a mere song," she replied. And it was even so. She furnished the song and the audience furnished the eggs.—Chicago News.

The Sore to Method.

He Really, Ed. H. It seems to me the argument is all on my side. Your argument is better trained than I, and I cannot but think it is more feasible for you to learn to love me, than for me, with my barbarian mind, to begin all over and learn to love some other girl.

MILLIONS GIVEN AWAY.

It is certainly gratifying to the public to know of one concern in the land who are not afraid to be generous to the needy and suffering. The proprietors of Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, coughs and colds, have given away over ten million trial bottles of this great medicine; and have the satisfaction of knowing it has absolutely cured thousands of hopeless cases. Asthma, bronchitis, hoarseness and all diseases of the throat, chest and lungs are surely cured by it. Call on Glazier & Stimson, druggists, and get a free trial bottle. Regular size 50 cents and \$1.00. Every bottle guaranteed, or price refunded.

Kodol Dyspepsia Cure, is a scientific compound having the endorsement of eminent physicians and the medical press. It "digests what you eat" and positively cures dyspepsia. M. A. Keron, Bloomington, Tenn., says it cured him of indigestion of ten years' standing. Glazier & Stimson.

BRAVE MEN FALL.

Victims to stomach, liver and kidney troubles as well as women, and all feel the results in loss of appetite, poisons in the blood, backache, nervousness, headache and tired, listless, run-down feeling. But there's no need to feel like that. Listen to J. W. Gardner, Idaville, Ind. He says: "Electric Bitters are just the thing for a man when he leans run down, and don't care whether he lives or dies. It did more to give me new strength and good appetite than anything I could take. I can now eat anything and have a new lease on life." Only 50 cents at Glazier & Stimson's drug store. Every bottle guaranteed.

Chester H. Brown, Kalamazoo, Mich., says: "Kodol Dyspepsia Cure cured me of a severe case of indigestion; can strongly recommend it to all dyspeptics." Digests what you eat without aid from the stomach, and cures dyspepsia.

RED HOT FROM THE GUN.

Was the ball that hit G. B. Steadman of Newark, Mich., in the Civil War. It caused horrible ulcers that no treatment helped for 20 years. Then Bucklen's Arnica Salve cured him. Cures cuts, bruises, burns, boils, felons, corns, skin eruptions. Best pile cure on earth. 25 cents a box. Cure guaranteed. Sold by Glazier & Stimson's druggists.

For wounds, burns, scalds, sores, skin eruptions, nothing so soothing and healing as DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. Mrs. Emma Bolles, Matron, Englewood Nursery, Chicago, says of it: "When all else fails in healing our babies, it will cure." Glazier & Stimson.

WORKING NIGHT AND DAY.

The busiest and mightiest little thing that ever was made is Dr. King's New Life Pills. Every pill is a sugar coated globe of health, that changes weakness into strength, listlessness into energy, brain-fag into mental power. They're wonderful in building up the health. Only 25 cents per box. Sold by Glazier & Stimson.

"They are simply perfect," writes Robt. Moore, of Lafayette, Ind., of DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills for constipation and all liver ailments. Never gripe. Glazier & Stimson.

CONSUMPTION CURE—WALKER'S WHITE WINE OF TAR SYRUP, the best cough remedy on earth, cures a cold in one day if taken in time. 25 and 50 cents.

De Witt's Little Early Risers permanently cure chronic constipation, biliousness, nervousness and worn-out feeling; cleanse and regulate the entire system. Small, pleasant, never gripe or sicken. "Famous little pills." Glazier & Stimson.

There's always hope while there's One Minute Cough Cure. "An attack of pneumonia left my lungs in bad shape and I was near the first stages of consumption. One Minute Cough Cure completely cured me," writes Helen McElroy, Bismark, N. D. Gives instant relief. Glazier & Stimson.

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H. H. Fenn spent Sunday at home.

Mrs. Lawerson is visiting at Lansing.

N. H. Cook spent Sunday at Grand Rapids.

Dr. H. H. Avery was a Howell visitor Sunday.

Henry Speer returned from Detroit Saturday.

Mrs. Charles Stinson is visiting friends at Jackson.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Downer are visiting at Grass Lake.

M. B. Moon of Detroit spent Sunday with friends here.

Ed. Pickell of Detroit has been spending this week here.

Mrs. U. D. Streeter of Fowlerville is visiting relatives here.

Mr. W. W. Hough spent the first of this week in Detroit.

Roy Coville of Galesburg was the guest of J. G. Hoover Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Remnent were Jackson visitors Sunday.

Miss Allie Parks of Detroit is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Chris Bagge.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Fletcher were Chelsea visitors over Sunday.

Hugh McNally of Lima, O., is spending some time with relatives here.

R. A. Snyder and daughter, Clara, spent Sunday at Grand Rapids.

Miss Lillian Gerard commenced school in the Canfield district Monday.

R. A. Snyder and daughter Clara visited in Grand Rapids over Sunday.

O. C. Burkhardt left Monday for Westerville to buy up a bunch of sheep.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Prettyman spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Snyder.

Misses Tillie and Pauline Girbach and Mary Alber spent Sunday at Grass Lake.

Rev. J. B. Stackable of Chicago was the guest of Rev. W. P. Considine Sunday.

S. Newkirk of Dexter will spend some time with his daughter, Mrs. D. C. McLaren.

Miss Dora Harrington left for Detroit last week, where she will teach in the schools.

Mr. and Mrs. O'Connor of Northfield visited their daughter, Mrs. John Greening Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Snyder spent several days of last week at Lansing and Williamston.

Miss Mabel Gleason of Williamston is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Burkhardt this week.

Mrs. Michael Cassidy and daughter, Ada, of Brownwood, Texas, are visiting at Mrs. E. Winters.

Capt. John Considine of Detroit was the guest of his son, Rev. W. P. Considine, the first of the week.

Misses Nellie Noyes and Ethel Bacon are attending school at St. Joseph's academy. The girls left Tuesday noon.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Shaver and Mr. and Mrs. George Millsbaugh are spending this week at the Howlett cottage at Canvanough Lake.

Sergt. John Larmee, Co. K, 23d Inf., U. S. A., late of Canabaw, Philippine Islands, was the guest of Miss Sattie M. Speer Friday last.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Chapman and Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Wood are in Cold water attending the reunion of the Seventeenth Michigan Volunteers.

W. P. Schenk & Company's Fall Opening.

Upon entering the store of W. P. Schenk & Company the visitor is impressed with the vastness of the establishment for a town of this size.

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The latest productions and importations of foreign and home manufactures consisting of bluster crepons, crepons in ribbon effects, figured crepons, poplin florentines, seclians in plain and twilled, mohair both figured and plain, venetians granite cloth, etc. In the

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The silk department is one of the most up to date found in the county.

In order to appreciate the large display of colors, shades and effects, which are the results of the most skilled and artistic labor of both foreign and home manufacturers, one must make a personal call at this store.

Here you will find the largest assortment of waist patterns ever shown in Chelsea. No two patterns alike, corded and brocaded effects, stripes and plaid, two toned effects, etc. Dress silks is Satin Duchess, Beau de Soie.

Just beyond this department, we get a glimpse of a display in upholstery goods and drapery materials. Upon examination we find many new, beautiful things in tapestry, crushed plushes, fancy ticks, art demins, silkaines, Roman draperies, etc.

Passing on up to the second floor we find ourselves in the midst of a large assortment in the latest designs in lace curtains, in Brussels Net, Battenburg, Irish Point, Nottingham, etc. In the heavier draperies we notice beautiful things in tapestry and chenille curtains and rope portiers.

CARPETS.

New carpets have just arrived and there are shown many new patterns in probe Brussels and Ingrain, also a collection of samples of beautiful patterns in velvet moquette and Brussels carpets.

SUITS.

We also find on this floor a large line of the new, leading styles in ladies suit made up of cheviot, venetian broadcloth and serges.

JACKETS AND CAPES.

The new arrival of the latest styles in ladies' and misses jackets, scalloped bottom, dip front, over-lap seams, etc., the popular Golf capes.

FURS.

One of the most interesting features of the floor is the complete line of furs goods. These furs have been purchased from the leading houses in the country, and for quality and style cannot be excelled. The garments consist of capes, made up of wool seal with Angora trimming. Collarettes in the various styles in Electric Seal, Alaska Sable, Martin, Opossum, Blue Link, Persian Lamb, Astrakhan, Otter, Seal, Stone M. Rite.

As we return to the first floor our attention is called to the large up-to-date shoe dept. The large assortment and many styles lasts making it possible to please every customer. New things in patent leather, McKay, well lace, the famous "Queen Quality" well known for its durability, comfort to the wearer and stylish appearance. The various styles in mens' shoes, among which we find the kid, leather lined shoes, and latest styles in tans for winter wear.

CLOTHING.

In this department will be found all the new things in men's blue serge suits, worsted suits, single and double breasted. Overcoats in all the latest novelties Boys' blue worsted suits for confirmation.

FURNISHING.

All the latest novelties in men's colored dress shirts, neckwear, hats, caps. Also a large assortment of staple underwear, gloves and mittens.

Getting Even.

Millionaire's son are ye? Well, I'm a prize fighter's kid, and here's where de lower classes git even.

It Affected the Tide.

The humorist had been tied hand and foot and lashed to a pile that projected a dozen or more feet above the water at low tide.

He had dared to perpetrate an original joke, and the Paragaphers' Amalgamated union had decreed his death.

In vain he wriggled.

The cruel waters were rising beneath him. The tide was coming in.

"I'm afraid," he murmured, as he looked down and noticed that the little waves were lapping at his shoe, "I'm afraid that one-tied will not affect another." And he laughed harshly. "Anyway," he added a moment later, "I'll stick to my post."

The tide rose faster. It was at his knee, his waist, his elbow, his neck. Just as it reached his chin he gave one final glance across the sparkling waves and muttered:

"Well, it seems to be up to me now."

Whereupon the tide turned and ran out.

He was saved.

Another Champion.

"What is that medal, friend?" asked the sociable barkeep.

"I win that," answered the man who was leaning against the bar, "for beating everybody out by listenin' to a piano for thirty-eight hours."

—Indianapolis Journal.

The Yankee in Paris.

"Yes, monsieur, these are the shoes worn by Louis XVI. when led to execution."

"He must have limped painfully."

"On the contrary, monsieur, he walked boldly upright and with great dignity."

"He must have been a marvel of stoicism. Both these shoes are right."

—Cleveland Leader.

DOES HE MEAN IT?

PINGREE SAYS HE IS OUT OF POLITICS FOR GOOD.

WILL RETIRE AT CLOSE OF HIS TERM AS GOVERNOR.

TIRED OF BEING "IT" AND THROWN DOWN SO OFTEN.

Detroit, September 14.—Gov. Pingree formally declares that he will not run for mayor of Detroit, and that he will retire from politics at the close of his present term as governor.

The declaration was made, to a committee of the Collins clubs, which was appointed to visit the various Republicans who have been talked of for the nomination of mayor and to learn what they would do if nominated by the city convention. Ex-Ald. Thomas Fairbairn and Edward Wildman, of the committee, called upon the governor yesterday morning.

"I told them," said the governor, "that I didn't care to run and that they ought to go to some man that has more time."

He also said:

"All this talk about my jumping in and running again is mere rot. I feel that I have had my share of both city and state offices, and that it is about time someone else is given a show. I don't believe in this one man monopoly. There are a lot of good citizens who have never served their city and state, and they ought to be given a chance. I feel that I have given about as much of my time to the people as they ought to expect of me, when I get through with my present term as governor. I want to devote the rest of my life to my own private business."

"I cannot see any use of my trying to do anything more, any way. I have done everything in my power and got thrown down every time, and I'm ready to quit."

The governor left for Chicago last night to take part in the trust conference.

STATE SPECIALS.

Chas. F. Willet, a prominent resident at Hawkeshead, dropped dead while at work in the field yesterday.

John Lundeen, a Northwestern brakeman, was killed at Iron River Tuesday evening, being caught between two cars while switching.

Thos. King, a farmer of Danforth settlement, U. P., was struck by a Soo line express while crossing the track and his injuries will prove fatal.

Game Warden Brewster is at Grand Haven prepared to arrest local commercial fishermen for taking trout below the legal size. Wholesale arrests are feared.

Owing to the light wheat crop near Niles it is feared that the local paper mills may be compelled to shut down during the winter on account of the scarcity of straw.

Charles R. Dickinson, of Carson City, died suddenly of heart trouble early Wednesday morning. He was one of the staunchest Republicans of Montcalm county, and for twenty-five years was supervisor of Bloomer township.

Peter Tobilla, aged 15 years, emptied a load of buckshot at short range into John Baudin, aged 4, near the Calumet waterworks Wednesday morning. Young Baudin will die and Tobilla is in jail. This is the third accident this week in the copper district by which firearms in the hands of boys have wounded young companions.

The wheat buyers at Kalamazoo declare that last year's crop, which was held over for higher prices, is now coming in slowly, but is better in quality and brings two cents better prices than the new crop. The Kalamazoo county yield will not exceed much over half an average crop, many fields not exceeding eight bushels to the acre.

Michigan pensions: Restoration and increase—Armon J. Ring (dead), Smyrna, \$6 to \$12; Royal H. Brown (dead), Lowell, \$4 to \$12. Increase—Oliver Lee, Sterling, \$6 to \$8; Seaman G. Tompkins, Etrichan, \$8 to \$10. Widows—Edna A. Olmsten, Kalamazoo, \$8; Adella Brown, Lowell, \$12; minor of William H. Wheeler, Lake Odessa, \$14.

The following officers were elected in the convention of the Southwestern Dental Association at South Haven: President, Dr. A. C. Runyan, South Haven; vice-president, Dr. N. E. Hooper, Decatur; secretary, Dr. E. A. Honey, Kalamazoo; treasurer, Dr. C. E. Burtchfield, St. Joseph. It was decided to hold the next convention at Decatur.

Dr. H. A. Grube, of Coldwater, who was appointed first assistant surgeon with rank of captain in the Thirty-fifth Michigan, and promoted to major surgeon when Maj. Barber resigned, last night received a telegram advising him of his appointment as first assistant surgeon of the Forty-eighth regiment, now being formed. The Forty-eighth is a colored regiment with white staff officers.

Francis Avery, an old soldier and pensioner, was convicted in the circuit court at West Branch of assault with intent to commit murder. The evidence showed that Avery, called at the farmhouse of one Prosper Short, a neighbor, on the morning of July 14 last, and in a word altercation drew a revolver and shot Short. This is the first criminal case of importance tried by Mrs. Abbott as prosecutor, and was watched with much interest.

The contested Mayfield election case was tried in the circuit court at Lapeer Wednesday. The Mayfield board of election declared John Urquhart elected treasurer by a majority. William Osborne, his opponent, secured a recount. Judge Smith decided that ten of the original ballots should be thrown out on account of distinguishing marks, and it is remarkable that five of these were for each candidate, leaving Urquhart his original majority of one.

A STRONG BILL.

Administration Looking After River and Harbor Bill.

Washington, Sept. 14.—Evidence is accumulating that the administration is behind a strong movement looking to the enactment of a fairly generous river and harbor bill at the coming session of congress. Congressman Bishop, of the river and harbor committee, who recently visited Washington, went home with the impression that a bill would be framed and passed and officials of the war department have recently reflected a similar conviction in unofficial interviews. The latest evidence of the administration's interest in the matter is found in a series of instructions now being sent to collectors of customs at ports near which river and harbor improvements are projected.

The collector at New Orleans recently wrote to the secretary of the treasury stating that he had been called upon by the local engineer in charge of harbor improvements at the mouth of the Mississippi river to furnish a large amount of data concerning the commerce of the port, for the purpose of demonstrating to congress the necessity of the proposed work. The collector said he had replied that his clerical force was not sufficient to prepare the desired statements and he therefore solicited the department to support him in his refusal. The department's reply must have been a surprise to the collector, for while the secretary conceded that the clerical force at New Orleans was no larger than current work demanded yet the attention of the collector was called to the law authorizing an extension of the hours of labor in the customs service whenever emergencies should arise, and it was stated that the department would approve such lengthening of the official day as might be necessary to enable the collector to furnish the information desired by the engineer bureau which in the secretary's opinion was most important.

Copies of the department's reply have been ordered to be sent to all collectors, and it is probable that the engineer bureau will get all the information it needs in all sections of the country without any further trouble.

VERY INDEPENDENT.

Senator Platt's Son Declined to Answer Questions.

New York, Sept. 14.—The most important and interesting witness at Wednesday's session of the Mazet legislative investigating committee was Frank H. Platt, son of United States Senator Thomas C. Platt and junior member of the law firm of Tracey, Boardman & Platt. Mr. Platt was called as a witness for the purpose of throwing additional light upon the organization and the plan and scope of the Ramapo Water Co. As a matter of fact, he did not give very much information in regard to the origin of this water company, which hoped to secure a \$200,000,000 contract from the city of New York. Questioned by Mr. Hoffman, who represented the Democratic minority in the Mazet committee, Mr. Platt declined to answer regarding the amount of stock which he held in the City Trust Co., and when pressed for an explanation said: "It is none of your business." Silas B. Dutcher, president of the Ramapo Water Co., was also questioned, but he did not give details concerning that organization. A number of other witnesses were called to the stand, but nothing of general interest was elicited.

FEW MEXICAN VETERANS.

Annual Meeting Attended by Only About 100 Survivors.

Indianapolis, Sept. 14.—The thirty-seventh annual meeting of the national association of Mexican veterans met in the state house Wednesday. About 100 of the 12,000 survivors of the Mexican war were present. The veterans were welcomed feelingly by Gov. Mount and Mayor Taggart. The veterans range in age from 68 to 80.

Letters of regret and congratulation were read from President McKinley, Secretary of War Root and Govs. Roosevelt, of New York; Bushnell, of Ohio, and Bradley, of Kentucky.

E. W. Davis, of Cincinnati, offered a resolution asking congress to give Mexican veterans reaching the age of 70 a pension of \$30 a month.

In the evening a public reception was tendered at the Commercial club.

Decision Soon.

Washington, Sept. 14.—Information reaching officials here is that the British-Venezuela court of arbitration, now sitting at Paris, will conclude its work and render a final decision about the first of the coming month. This is due to the desire of Chief Justice Fuller, one of the arbitrators, to return to Washington in time for the opening of the Supreme Court on October 10. Mr. Harrison has announced to his colleagues that he will make only a brief speech, and this has permitted an understanding to close the work about the first of the month, and to render a verdict on this important international question before the arbitrators separate.

Storm in the Bermudas.

Island of Bermuda, Sept. 14.—A cyclone swept over this island Tuesday night. Houses were blown down and others were unroofed. The storm raged the whole of the night. No lives were lost, but heavy damage was done to public and private property, fruit and cedar trees. The Causeway was badly injured and the government house was damaged.

Quite an Army at San Francisco.

San Francisco, Sept. 14.—There are 11,928 men quartered at the Presidio in this city. This includes 950 recruits, 40 casuals, 357 in the regular garrison, approximately 5,256 volunteer infantry on the way to the Philippines and approximately 5,000 more returned from the islands and awaiting muster out.

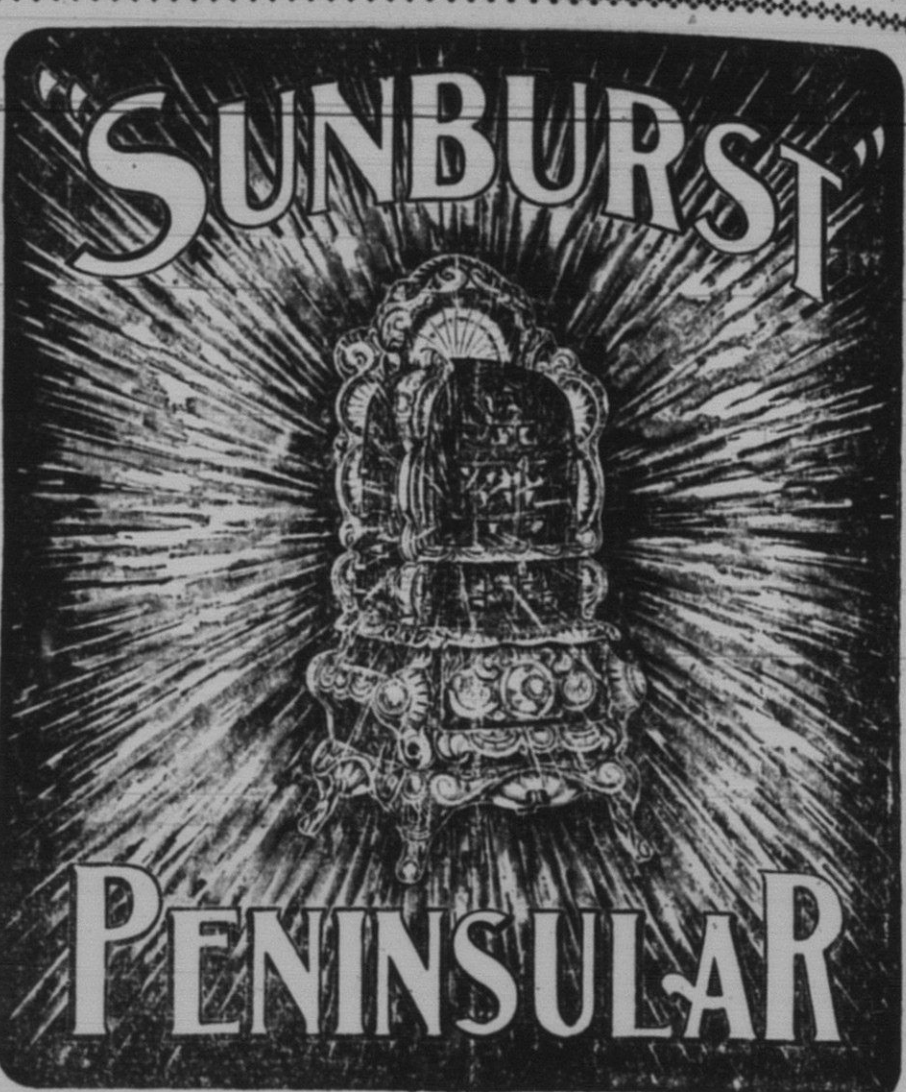
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LOCAL HAPPENINGS

The roofers have commenced putting the slate on the new M. E. church.

Geo. H. Foster will be the auctioneer at the Harvest Home Festival at the opera house Wednesday evening.

The ladies of the Home College Reading Circle are requested to meet with Mrs. J. D. Watson, Tuesday evening, September 19th.

On Friday O. C. Burkhardt disposed of 20 yearling rams to A. A. Wood of Saline. Also 20 grade Rambouillet ewes to a Mr. Schutz of Clinton.

Fenn & Vogel have just added to the fixtures in their store a very handsome silver salesman show case that they will use in displaying their line of silverware.

Wacker & Whitaker sold on Friday to A. A. Wood of Saline 100 yearling rams for which they received \$1,000. This is the second lot that these gentlemen have sold to Mr. Wood this fall.

If a man were to wear his pantaloons so long that whenever he appeared on the streets he should be obliged to reach around behind and grab hold of the back or basement and hold them up, wouldn't the ladies laugh?—Courier.

When the school examiners of Washenaw county had completed their work, the number of certificates issued was just one less than the number of schools in the county. Commissioner Lister has a certificate all ready for someone, but he or she must come up to the standard.

The employees of the Chelsea postoffice have been counting the number of pieces of mail matter which they handle in a week. They found they handled during the week ending September 9th, 10,027 pieces. Of this number there were 4,866 pieces received, and 3,041 sent out.

The supreme court has decided that the shade trees in front of a man's residence belong to him although they may be public property. The case in which the decision was made was one in which a property owner sued a telephone company for damages for cutting off the limbs of his trees.

The coming fair of the State Agricultural society at Grand Rapids will be the 50th annual show of the organization, and the management has been working to make the exhibition one worthy to be remembered as a fitting celebration of the society's semi-centennial. The dates are September 25 to 29, inclusive.

The Y. P. S. C. E. will have a "straw ride" and box social at Glenn's grove, North Lake, Friday evening, September 15th. Conveyances will be at the Congregational church from 5 to 7 p. m. to take all who wish to go. The ladies are expected to bring lunches, and the gentlemen money. All are most cordially invited.

The Grass Lake News, in writing up a marriage, speaks of "the fairy land where love cooeth and warbleth at the twilight hour, and the sky is arched with rainbows, and joy turns somersaults in honey glees, and happiness fans herself with Cupid's wings." That certainly can't be Grass Lake. It must be Chelsea.—Argus.

One of the best modes of destroying Canada thistles is to pour a gill of sulphuric acid in the crown of the plant. The acid destroys the plants clear down to the roots, and there are but few plants that will survive the treatment. The cost is but little, but in using the acid one must be careful. It should be applied from a bottle or other vessel made of glass.

The new flag law, which went in effect July 1st, makes it unlawful for any person, firm, organization or corporation to use or display the national flag or emblem on any drawing, engraving, lithograph, photograph, or likeness of the national flag, as a medium of advertising of any sort. Any persons violating the provisions of the act can be punished by a fine of not less than \$10 nor more than \$100.

Staffan Furniture & Undertaking Co. have the sole agency for the Peninsula Stove Co.'s heating and cooking stoves and steel ranges for Chelsea and vicinity, and have placed in stock a line of stoves for durability, finish and heating qualities that are surpassed by none, and it is well worth your time to step into their store and view what they have in stock. Among the many are the Sun-burnt, a beautiful coal burner; the Oak and Hot-blast, either of which burns wood or coal; the Carbon is a slack burner, the Sylvan, a wood base burner, and in cooking stoves and steel ranges they have several varieties to select from and they all speak for themselves. The one thing about this line of stoves that is the guarantee bond that accompanies every stove that is shipped out of the Peninsula Stove Co.'s warehouses.

M. J. Howe has purchased Wm. Denman's dray line.

Robert Leach has the foundation started for a new house on North street.

Someone went into A. Steger's barn Friday night and stole thirty dozen eggs.

J. S. Cummings has purchased thirty-three acres of land south of town of John Conaty.

There will be a meeting of Olive Lodge, No. 156, F. & A. M. on Tuesday evening, September 19th.

There will be a box social at Mr. and Mrs. James H. Runciman's Friday, September 22d. All are invited.

Work has been commenced on the cellar for the new house which William Alkinson will erect on Garfield street.

Henry Mensing and Merchant Brooks have just completed cement walks in front of their residences on Middle street west.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Cappy will move into F. P. Glazier's house on west Middle street, where they will make their future home.

Will Wade was so unfortunate Tuesday as to be kicked by a horse, breaking the cap of his right knee, making a very painful wound.

J. P. Wood of this place was elected one of the vice presidents of the Michigan Bean Buyers' Association at the meeting at Lansing yesterday.

The Staffan-Shell Furniture Co. was dissolved on Tuesday and the firm will in the future be known as the Staffan Furniture and Undertaking Co. Mr. Shell retiring to engage in other business. The Standard wishes both the utmost prosperity.

Those of our readers who go hunting should remember that at this time the only game they can shoot is wild ducks and rabbits. Squirrels on October 1st. From October 20th to November 30th inclusive quail and all other game birds except prairie chickens.

Olive Chapter, O. E. S., elected the following officers at the annual meeting: W. M., Mrs. H. S. Holmes; W. P., R. B. Waltrous; A. M., Mrs. R. B. Waltrous; secretary, Mrs. R. S. Armstrong; treasurer, Mrs. John Cook; conductress, Mrs. S. G. Bush, assistant conductress, Miss Mabel Gillam.

The Staffan Furniture and Undertaking Co. had a close call for the large plate glass in the front of their store on Tuesday evening. They had suspended from the ceiling a display of guns when the cord that held them broke and just missed the glass. Hence the broad smile that was seen on George P.'s face Wednesday morning.

Wednesday afternoon and evening, September 20th, at the opera house. The Ladies' Aid Society of the Methodist Episcopal church. Lots of pretty and useful articles for sale. An auctioneer to sell them. Home made candles. A hot supper from 5 o'clock on. This is the Harvest Home Festival, and the pleasantest entertainment offered by the society in the year. Everyone is invited. Afternoon and evening. Articles on sale as soon as the doors are opened. Admission 10 cents, supper 15 cents.

The Chelsea buyers are now paying 66 cents for red wheat, and 65 cents for white. Oats, old, 25 cents; new 20 cents. Clover seed \$4. Timothy seed, \$1.50. Rye 50 cents. Barley 80. Beans 85 to 90 cents. Potatoes 25 cents. Apples 25 cents. Onions 50 cents. Peaches \$1.50 to \$1.75. Pears 50 to 75 cents. Grapes 2 cents per lb. Cabbages 35 cents a dozen. Tomatoes 20 cents. Hay \$8. Straw \$4. Cattle 2 to 4 cents. Lambs 4 to 5 cents. Sheep 2½ to 3½ cents. Hogs \$3.70. Dressed hogs \$5. Veal \$7. Butter 16 cents. Eggs 12 cents.

There was a large number of our citizens at the Baptist church last evening to welcome Rev. Stiles to the pastorate of the Baptist church, and an enjoyable evening was passed by all. After a short time spent in shaking hands, the assembly was called to order by G. E. Davis who called upon Nathaniel Laird to deliver the address of welcome for the church, B. Y. P. U., and the Sunday school, which he did in well chosen words. This was followed by Rev. J. I. Nickerson who welcomed him in the name of the pastors of the various churches. Mrs. R. P. Chase then welcomed him on behalf of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary and Ladies' Aid Societies. Mayor George P. Staffan was then called on to give a few words of welcome as chief executive of the village. Mr. Stiles then returned thanks for the many kind words of welcome. After the speech making the ladies of the society served ice cream and cake and grapes.

At their auction Saturday afternoon and evening the Staffan-Shell Furniture Co. disposed of ten bicycles besides a large amount of bicycle sundries.

The Ann Arbor Daily Argus in speaking of Chelsea says that it is the liveliest and most thriving village in Michigan. The Argus evidently knows a good thing when it sees it. Thanks!

School Notes.

The seniors this year number thirteen. Furman Fenn entered the ninth grade Monday.

Henry Speer commenced school Monday morning.

The foreign attendance is exceptionally large this year.

Helene Steinbach is reading Viri Romanæ with the Latin class.

German XII class are now busying themselves in reading Wilhelm Tell.

Miss Maybelle Gresson of Williamston visited the high school Tuesday afternoon.

The children of the lower grades are now obliged to leave the school ground after each session in orderly file.

This year the rule requiring excuses for absence and tardiness will be more rigidly enforced than heretofore.

The Seniors elected the following class officers Monday: President, Ward Morton; vice president, Nellie Savage; secretary, Mabel McGuiness; treasurer, Earl Finkbeiner.

Teachers' Examination.

Teachers' examinations for Washenaw county during 1899 and 1900 will be held as follows:

Ypsilanti, beginning the third Thursday in October.

Ann Arbor, beginning the last Thursday in March.

Ann Arbor, beginning the third Thursday in June.

Final Eighth Grade examinations will be held the last Saturday in February and the last Saturday in May.

Will Close Early.

We, the undersigned, agree to close our places of business every evening at 7:30 o'clock, local time, from October 1st, 1899, to April 1st, 1900, excepting Saturday evenings, and every evening from December 11th to December 23rd.

J. S. Cummings, Staffan Furniture & Undertaking Co., Fenn & Vogel, W. P. Schlenk & Company, L. T. Freeman, H. S. Holmes Mercantile Company, Hoag & Holmes, Adam Eppler, Miller Sisters, N. C. Maroney, Ella Craig Foster, Mary Hunt, George Webster, Kempf & McKune, Glazier & Stinson, John Farrell, H. L. Wood & Co., J. J. Raftery, A. E. Winans, W. J. Knapp, Schafer & Co.

IMITATIONS ALWAYS FAIL.

Is there a person in the world who can name one imitation of old and superior brands of goods that ever succeeded.

We make a specialty of the best in its class of every article leaving the cheap imitations to care for themselves.

We are Selling

18 pounds best granulated sugar \$1.00.

Jackson Gem flour 50c sack.

Fancy picnic hams 9c pound.

Pure Leaf Lard 8c pound.

Salt Pork, 5c per lb.

Genuine Jersey Sweet potatoes 6 lbs for 25c

Home grown Hill's Chili Peaches at \$2.00 per bushel.

The finest Grapes, Bananas, Oranges, Lemons.

NEW CROP TEAS.

Old Crop well ripened Coffees.

PURE SPICES of superior strength are goods that we are absolutely leaders in.

Hinz's Pure Cider Vinegar.

FREEMAN'S

CHELSEA TELEPHONE NO. 10.

Real Estate Transfers.

Margaret E. Gilbert to John M. Nicholson, Ypsilanti, \$75.

Wm. H. Allison and wife to Ypsilanti and Saline Electric Ry Co., Pittsfield, 3,300

Robert Campbell and wife to Ypsilanti and Saline Electric Co., Pittsfield, 200

Sidney Harwood and wife to Ypsilanti and Saline Electric Ry Co., Pittsfield, 500

A. D. Groves et al to Emma L. Groves et al Ann Arbor 1,200

Nellie L. Salyer to John Ferdon, Ann Arbor 40

John Ferdon to Huron V. B. & S. Ass'n Ann Arbor 25

Albertina Ponto to Julius Nimz et al, Ann Arbor 300

Minnie E. Miller to Geo. G. Herter, Ypsilanti 1

John Motkenstein et al to Julius Nimz et al, Ann Arbor 50

Sidney G. Derby et al to Fred Sawyer Ann Arbor 250

Isaac Suddaby by heirs to Sarah Wheelock, York 1,325

Isaac Suddaby by heirs to Fred Suddaby York, 2,500

Mary A. Starkweather to Ypsilanti Ladies' Library Association, Ypsilanti 1.

Dissolution of Co-Partnership.

The co-partnership heretofore existing between George P. Staffan and Daniel Shell under the firm name of Staffan Shell Furniture Co. is this day dissolved by mutual consent. The Staffan Furniture and Undertaking Co. assumes all indebtedness against said firm and all accounts due said firm must be paid at once.

Dated, Chelsea, September 12, 1899, George P. Staffan, Daniel Shell.

For Sale—88 fine wool ewes and 33 yearling weathers. Inquire of Homer H. Boyd, Sylvan Centre.

Wood for Sale—Any one wishing to buy wood should see B. H. Glenn on Wilkinson farm.

Pork barrels, lard cans, molasses barrels and vinegar barrels for sale at Freeman's.

I build the Kittleman woven wire fence. Headquarters Lima Center, Mich. 21f Geo. Whittington.

If you want a fine Rambouillet or National Delaine or Shropshire ram, inquire of O. C. Burkhardt.

Wanted—20,000 bushels of apples at our evaporator, James L. Gilbert & Co.

PUTNAM FADELESS

DYES do not stain the hands or spot the kettle. Sold by Fenn & Vogel.

AN UMBRELLA!

WHEN YOU WANT IT, YOU WANT IT BAD.

We have just received several handsome ladies' and gents' Umbrellas, bought at from 25 to 50 per cent below regular manufacturers prices. Particulars as to how we got them cut no figure now. There are a lot of them, and we are going to sell them at prices that will move a lot of them.

RAIN OR SHINE

No let up for weather. It's equivalent to gold dollars for seventy-five cents. If you want a chance at them get in line right away or it will be everlastingly too late.

EVERY UMBRELLA WE SELL IS GUARANTEED

LOT NO. 1—100 26 inch Ladies' Umbrellas @ 48c. Better than the ordinary 75 to 90c qualities.

LOT NO. 2—26 inch Ladies' Umbrellas, with good natural handles, steel rods and paragon frames, not an umbrella in this lot worth less than from \$1.00 to \$1.25. Our price until this lot is sold will be 75c.

LOT NO. 3—75 Ladies' and Gents' Umbrellas natural, ivory and horn handles, gold and silver mountings, steel rods, paragon frames; cover guaranteed to wear equal to any umbrella cover made. Our price while they last is 98c.

LOT NO. 4—50 regular \$2.00 Ladies' Umbrellas at \$1.50.

LOT NO. 5—100 regular \$3.00 and \$3.50 Ladies' Umbrellas at \$1.90. In this lot are silk and wool, and all silk coverings, all style handles with solid gold trimmings. Everything about them is neat and up-to-date.

Come and look at the Umbrellas. See display in Window.

W. P. SCHENK & COMPANY.

Standard Patterns for September now on sale.

OUR COFFEES ARE GOOD.

The prices are right. Did you ever try a can of DUTCH JAVA?

OUR TEAS ARE NEW

and of the FINEST FLAVOR.

If you wish to be happy trade at the

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We fan them all away with low prices and high quality. The largest stock to select from. Samples until you can't rest. Dress Suits a specialty.

Silk and woolen goods dry cleaned like new, with the latest improved methods, at lowest prices.

Suits from \$15 up. Trousers from \$3 up. Vests \$2 and up. Top Coats \$8 and up.

Trousers Made While You Wait.

J. J. RAFTREY, Glass Block Tailoring Parlors.

We are making Special Low Prices on

FURNITURE

for September. Give us a call.

GRAIN DRILLS AND

SPRING TOOTH HARROWS

at prices to close out.

W. J. KNAPP.



NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

WATERLOO.

Have you seen "Jud" Armstrong coming down main street on his new "bike," yet?

Dwight Marion opened the fall term of school here last week with an enrollment of 23 scholars, 6 of whom are in the 8th grade.

The Ladies' Aid of the U. B. church met at the pleasant home of Mr. and Mrs. George Beeman. There was a large company present, and all enjoyed themselves. The society expended during the year ninety-five dollars and eighty-nine cents, they have now in the treasury fifteen dollars and fourteen cents. The following officers were elected for the year: Mrs. Clara Rowe, president; Miss Blanch Dean, vice president; Mrs. Celia Dean, treasurer; Mrs. George Runciman, secretary.

FREEDOM.

Miss Rosa Barth spent Sunday with parents in Lima.

Born, Tuesday, August 29, 1899, to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Eschelbach a daughter.

Misses Elza Zinke has entered the Chelsea high school and Bertha Breitenschwieser the Manchester high school. Paul Fritz who died near Ann Arbor last Friday, aged 82 years, was buried from the Catholic church on Monday.

George Holzapfel has purchased a corn cutter and is making corn cutting a short job for a number of farmers in this vicinity.

There was a very large crowd in attendance at the missionary services at the Thomas Lutheran church Sunday. Representatives being present from Chelsea, Manchester and other near by places.

FRANCISCO.

T. Ball of Ann Arbor visited his sister, Mrs. Lee.

Henry Benter entertained company from Waterloo Sunday.

Miss Lizzie Shaver of Ann Arbor is visiting Miss Lina Notten.

Mrs. Henry Bohne who has been dangerously ill is recovering.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Richards spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. Richards.

Miss Nancy Berry left Sunday to work for Mrs. R. A. Snyder of Chelsea.

Miss Maggie O'Brien of Detroit is visiting her mother, Mrs. Michael Seeger.

Rev. Paul Weirfel will preach his farewell sermon Sunday, September 17, 1899.

Mr. and Mrs. Schuholz of Jackson spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. John morning.

UNADILLA.

R. W. Bond visited in South Lyon last Sunday.

J. D. Colton of Jackson visited friends here Sunday.

Mrs. R. Barnum visited relatives in Ann Arbor the latter part of last week.

The Unadilla foot ball eleven are preparing to be "in the game" this season.

Mrs. S. Boyce of London visited her daughter, Mrs. L. B. Roepke last Tuesday.

Mrs. E. J. Heavner of South Lyon visited her sister, Mrs. R. W. Bond last week.

R. Barnum was in Detroit last Friday attending the Conference of Lay Delegates.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Watson of Chelsea visited relatives here the latter part of last week.

Master Cecil Rainey of Mansfield, Ohio is visiting his grandparents, Dr. and Mrs. DuBois.

Rev. Whitfield has accepted a call to preach at the Plainfield church in connection with the one here.

Unadilla and Stockbridge crossed date at Stockbridge last Wednesday. Score 25-26 in favor of Stockbridge.

The Unadilla Farmers' Club will meet at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. S. Hemingway, Saturday afternoon, September 16, at 1:30. The following program is being prepared:

By the Club
Singing, Roy Stowe
Recitation, Unadilla Choir
Quartette, H. Heatley
Recitation, Miss Myra Bird
Vocal Solo, "The Farm and Pulpit,"
Discussion, led by Rev. Geo. Stowe
Vocal Solo, F. L. Andrews
Paper—Jersey Cows, Jno. Donahue
Discussion, led by Frank Birnie
Vocal Solo, A. Gates

County and Vicinity

The oldest person ever buried in the east cemetery near this village was Mrs. Betsey L. Rodgers. She died September 5, 1870, aged 100 years, 3 months and 10 days.—Grass Lake News.

A certain Saline young lady was recently attending a young people's meeting and in compliance with her pledge to responded with a verse of Scripture, read the following: "I love them that love me, and they that seek me early shall find me." Her dad said that before another Sunday night he would be the owner of a bull dog and shot gun.

Superintendent George has decided that phonetic spelling is the proper fall and he will introduce it in the Ypsilanti schools. It was talked over in the school board a year ago, but until now nothing was done about it. However, some of the board now approve of giving it a test. Why do the fellows that are such howlers for this sort of thing not spell it with an f?

Down at the Brooklyn grist mill they've got a meek looking kitten about a month old, but for his innocent looks he's a stayer. A short time ago Mr. Blanchard's large mill wagon ran over the little fellow, and there was 3,200 pounds on the wagon at the time, but pussy withstood the pressure and goes merrily about with just the tiniest little limp in his hind foot.—Brooklyn Exponent.

Ex-County Clerk Arthur Brown in speaking of the books in the register of deeds office said he did not think there was much danger that the books would be ever damaged by fire, but he did think that they would some time be ruined by water if there ever was a fire in the building. This could be prevented if metal cases were used. They would be much more convenient than shelves. When closed at night they would be water tight, and if water was thrown in the office the books could not be hurt. This is a subject that interests every property owner in Washtenaw county.—Argus-Democrat.

Elmer Frazer, night engineer at the electric light plant, had an experience a few nights ago which, as he thinks of it now, makes his blood run cold with horror. While engaged at his work the alarm whistle sounded, announcing low water in the boiler. It took but an instant to realize what was the matter and what to do. He climbed to the top of the big tank which is about ten feet high, located fifteen feet from the ground, and holds about one hundred and fifty barrels of water, plunged to the bottom of the tank and cut out a rubber valve which in some way obstructed the supply of water to the boiler. A few seconds delay would have been the means of wrecking several thousand dollars' worth of property and would undoubtedly have caused the death of several persons. He ran a special risk of personal danger, as at the time he was very warm from working in the boiler room, and going into cold water in a heated condition is ordinarily very dangerous, but fortunately Mr. Frazer did not suffer any from his bath. Hudson Gazette.

Man is Man.

The woman and the man were wedded, a month had passed, and, in accordance with her agreement, she had come to her fairy godmother to report.

"Is he not all that I said?" inquired the fairy godmother.

"Ye-es."

"Is he good to you?"

"Yes."

"Generous?"

"He is."

"Slow to wrath?"

"He certainly is."

"Give you all the money you want?"

"He does."

"Treats your mother as if he had married the family?"

"He'd better."

"Then you have no boon to ask concerning him?"

"Well—I—"

"What is it? Speak."

"He—I—"

"Don't be afraid, my child."

"His past history."

"Yes."

"It does not seem to have any dark epoch in it. Apparently he has done nothing of which I would blush even to think. I—"

"Well?"

"—Oh, mother, if you would make me entirely happy, please give him that kind of a past history."

For such is won an, as she has been and ever will be.

But the fairy godmother was wiser. She merely said:

"Just wait until you get a better acquainted, and find out a few things; then see me again."

For she knew that man is, has been and ever will be man.—San Francisco Examiner.

DEATH'S HARVEST

AUGUST MORTALITY LIST SHOWS BIG INCREASE.

RESULT IS DUE TO PREVALENCE OF SUMMER DISEASES.

ACTUAL DEATH RATE WAS 13.5 PER THOUSAND.

Lansing, Mich., Sept. 13.—The secretary of state reports that there were 2,755 deaths in Michigan during the month of August, corresponding to a death rate of 13.5 per 1,000 population. This number is 350 more than the number registered for the preceding month, and is also about 300 more than the number registered for the month of August, 1898.

There were 703 deaths of infants under one year of age, a marked increase due to the prevalence of diarrheal disease, from which cause there were 501 deaths reported, as compared with 265 in July. There were 236 deaths of children aged 1 to 4 years and 551 deaths of persons aged 5 years and over. The number of deaths from certain important causes of death were as follows: Pulmonary consumption, 146; other tubercular diseases, 53; typhoid fever, 50; diphtheria and croup, 22; scarlet fever, 9; measles, 79; whooping cough, 34; pneumonia, 82; diarrheal diseases under 5 years, 501; cerebro-spinal meningitis, 45; cancer, 112; accidents and violence, 193.

There is no marked increase in mortality from any other cause than diarrheal diseases, with the exception of slight rises of typhoid fever and whooping cough.

SLATE'S BIG RAKE OFF.

Got \$30,000 Franchise Fee From Car Co.

Lansing, Mich., Sept. 13.—The secretary of state has received a franchise fee of \$30,000 from the American Car & Foundry Company, a recently organized trust for the manufacture of cars which desires to do business in this state, and of which the Detroit Car Works is a member. The trust offered its articles for filing some time ago, but demurred to the payment of a franchise fee upon its entire capital stock, expressing a willingness to pay upon the capitalization of the Detroit works. Secretary Stearns insisted upon the entire capital of the trust and the money was received to-day. The fee is the second largest ever received by the secretary of state, the trust having a capital stock of \$50,000,000.

Will Have to Stand Trial.

Charlotte, Mich., Sept. 13.—John Taylor, of Bellevue, who was arrested on complaint of Prosecutor Jones, charged with operating his saloon without a license, was arraigned before Justice Spafford. He waived examination and was bound over to the October term of Circuit Court.

STATE SPECIALS.

There are six Japanese in Ann Arbor waiting for the opening of the university and another is on his way.

Besemer claims the distinction of having the first snowfall of the season in Michigan. The snow fell Tuesday morning.

Tuesday's statement of the condition of the treasury shows: Available cash balance, \$282,916,333; gold reserve, \$255,193,190.

Scarlet fever has become epidemic in Jefferson township and the health authorities have forbidden the opening of the West Jefferson schools.

"Bud" Wheeler, a justice of Woodbridge township, was held up by two men and relieved of his pocketbook in broad daylight Tuesday afternoon. Both robbers escaped.

The Reformed Third church of Kalamazoo, whose pastor, Rev. Peter Siegers, goes to Hope College, has extended a call to Rev. A. DeDonje, of the Fourth Reformed church of Holland.

Frank Merros, employed by the Michigan Wood Pulp Co., of Niles, was caught on a winder shaft Tuesday and his body was whirled around several times and his right arm was broken and terribly mutilated. He will recover.

Dog poisoners are getting in some fine work at Centerville, and five different families have lost as many pets. John Freed had a choice animal which he tied in the barn, thinking it would not be molested there, but at noon found him dead.

At St. Mark's church occurred one of Coldwater's prettiest society weddings, when Miss Cecilia Milnes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Milnes, became the bride of Clarence D. Turner, of Chicago. The church was elegantly decorated with plants and ferns. A large reception was given at the home of the bride after the ceremony.

A barn belonging to Clara Dixon, of Volinia, five miles from Dowagiac, was discovered to be on fire Tuesday morning at 7 o'clock by Postmaster Cary, but before he could render any assistance the large building was beyond help. About 250 bushels of wheat and ten tons of hay, together with a veritable wagon and buggies, were destroyed.

Owing to a slippery plank Rasmus Thorson, president of the Manistee Shipyard Co., was instantly killed Tuesday night. In walking from the deck of the schooner Apprentice Boy to the boxes in the drydock he fell head-first upon a pile of stones fourteen feet below, his head being terribly crushed. Mr. Thorson was an ex-alderman and well known about the lake.

RANDOM COMMENT

Cynic—Ah, it's the way of the world. We never strew flowers on a man's grave till he's dead.—Hoboken Hoodoo.

"Was there much damage to the library by fire?" "Well, all the rare books are well done now."—Yonkers Statesman.

"Married yet, old man?" "No, but I'm engaged, and that's as good as married." "It's better, if you only knew it."—Truth.

Foreigner—Parvenu! I will pull you nose! "Maybe my nose, Count; but never my leg!"—Philadelphia North American.

He (exhibiting sketch)—It's the best thing I ever did. She (sympathetically)—Oh, well, you mustn't let that discourage you.—Tit-Bits.

"England pensions its literary men and women." "Does that make them stop writing?" "No." "Well, what's the good of it?"—Chicago Record.

"There is a theory, Marie, that we are mentally influenced by furniture." "Is that so, Theodore? Well, you had better quit sleeping in that brass bedstead."—Chicago Record.

I see some college out West is about to confer a degree on Spendthrift, the author," said Casily. "Good," said Lenderby. "What is it to be, I. O. U.?"—Harper's Bazar.

WHY?

Why doesn't the sea cow give watered milk?

Why ain't a dirt cart a real estate conveyance?

Why isn't the object seen by an inebriate a circular saw?

Why does the silent partner in a business always have so much to say?

Why does a small boy's face always look as if he had been eating something?

Why isn't a doctor attending a patient's funeral a case of cause and effect?

Why is it wrong to hit a man when he's down after working so hard to get him there?

Why doesn't some genius crown himself with glory by discovering a process for extracting gold and silver from mining shares?

DON'T.

Don't presume on your age.

Don't be vain of your handsome gray hair and whiskers.

Don't set yourselves up as models of propriety in public, and get full of booze in private.

Don't think because young men are young they are fools. They probably are, but you were young once yourself.

Don't take the front seats at ballet shows. Your bald heads reflect the light unpleasantly.

Don't say vulgar things before ladies, and excuse yourselves on the ground that you are old enough to be their fathers.

Don't forget that age must respect itself before it can command it from others.

Wanted—A girl to do house work. Inquire of W. J. Knapp.

Subscribe at The Standard office for The Michigan Farmer in that every week until December 1, for only 15 cents. Sample copies free.

Wanted—20,000 bushels of apples at an evaporator, James L. Gilbert & Co.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION

OF THE

Kempf Commercial & Savings Bank

at Chelsea, Michigan,

At the Close of Business Sept. 7th, 1899.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts	\$ 73,299.16
Stocks, bonds & mortgages	147,940.65
Overdrafts	8.09
Banking house	8,000.00
Furniture and fixtures	2,000.00
Due from banks in reserve	27,759.04
Due from other banks and bankers	26,837.42
Checks and cash items	263.67
Nickels and cents	99.57
Gold coin	3,305.00
Silver coin	1,390.95
U. S. and state bonds	4,500.00
U. S. and National Bank Notes	4,113.00
Total	\$299,516.55

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in	\$ 40,000.00
Surplus	500.00
Undivided profits less current expenses, interest and taxes paid	2,148.37
Commercial deposits subject to check	61,370.23
Commercial certificates of deposit	17,463.87
Savings deposits	158,825.88
Savings certificates of deposit	19,208.20
Total	\$299,516.55

State of Michigan, County of Washtenaw, ss.

I, J. A. Palmer, cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

JOHN A. PALMER, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 13th day of Sept. 1899.

GEO. A. BERGE, Notary Public.

Correct—Attest:

R. S. Armstrong,

C. Klein,

H. S. Holmes, Directors.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION

OF THE

Chelsea Savings Bank.

at Chelsea, Michigan

At the close of Business, Sept. 7th, 1899.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts	\$100,960.87
Stocks, bonds, mortgages, etc.	173,624.94
Revenue stamps	183.58
Banking house	3,800.00
Furniture and fixtures	3,577.12
Other real estate	10,175.00
Due from banks in reserve	23,261.67
Due from other banks and bankers	1,000.00
Exchanges for clearing house	5,056.25
Checks and cash items	529.21
Nickels and cents	263.95
Gold coin	2,825.00
Silver coin	1,360.50
U. S. and National Bank Notes	5,239.60
Total	\$331,857.09

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in	\$ 60,000.00
Surplus fund	7,173.00
Undivided profits less current expenses, interest and taxes paid	3,065.04
Dividends unpaid	316.00
Commercial deposits subject to check	41,552.49
Commercial certificates of deposit	92,445.92
Savings deposits	33,588.51
Savings certificates of deposit	93,716.13
Total	\$331,857.09

State of Michigan, County of Washtenaw, ss.

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

GEO. P. GLAZIER, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 12 day of Sept. 1899.

THOS. E. WOOD, Notary Public.

Correct—Attest:

W. M. J. KNAPP,

W. P. SCHENCK,

GEO. W. PALMER, Directors.

Total Loans 274,583.81

Deposits 264,303.05

Cash and Exchange 39,553.58

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Anyone wishing to purchase one or more of the seats from the old M. E. church should call at The Standard office.

JOHN A. PALMER, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 13th day of Sept. 1899.

GEO. A. BERGE, Notary Public.

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LIFE'S TRIAL.

Ever lurking, trying facing,
On my way;
Pleasant visions all erasing,
Joy disturbing, quiet chasing,
Fondlest selfish schemes defacing,
Day by day—

What's the use of trying, daring,
In this life?
Trials waylay, with spite unsparing
Baffling, slighting, paining, wearing,
Every peaceful thought ensnaring
Into strife.

Would I rest, then cares assailing
Banish peace;
Triumphing but leads to failing;
Sudden joy is turned to waiting;
Ease of mind begets but ailing;
Cares ne'er cease.

What's the end of all this tolling,
Troubles scene—
Where no sense is free from soling,
Where belief but breeds embroiling,
Where no rest from planning, molling,
E'er is seen?

This I know, when trials defiant
Rise forlorn,
For the conflict, strong, reliant,
Wakes the soul, like sleeping giant,
To whose sinews, supple, pliant,
Strength is born.

This I know, that brave endeavor
Sinks in rust
If from trials we rest us ever;
Vain from courage trial to sever;
Toll and conflict draw us never
Into lust.

Each endeavor, true and earnest,
Leads to strength;
If from hope thou never turnest,
If for higher deeds thou yearnest,
Peace and joy, tho' late, thou earnest
Come at length.

Welcome trials, hidden blessings,
Sent from God;
Weeping not with soft caressings,
Teaching not in doubtful guessings,
Curing all our weak confessings
With thy rod.

A MYSTERY.

During my sojourn in Egypt," said
Walton, removing his hookah from
his burnt black beard, "I became in-
terested in the horse; and desirous of
possessing an Arabian of high quality,
sought guidance of our local consul as
to the best way of going about obtain-
ing one. He gave me a letter to a
certain camel and horse breeder of re-
nown, located near Samana, Bedouin
sheik, Hassam Moakbar by name. The
sheik, he informed me, had reason to
feel under obligations to him, which
would insure me a pleasant reception.
I took with me only a small escort—
the consul's letter, in the Arabian
tongue, being a sort of passport and
affording me immunity from the toll
gathering customary among the desert
tribes. Arriving at the encampment
at twilight, a scene of great beauty
burst upon me. The stars were be-
ginning to blaze forth with unusual
size and brilliancy through the won-
derful rare atmosphere. Threads of
smoke rose perpendicularly from fires
which sparkled among the long, low,
wide tents, where preparations for the
evening meal were going on.

"Negro slaves were roasting coffee,
which gave forth a perfume only 'Ara-
by the Blest' could yield. Round
about parties of Arabs were exercising
the horses—such creatures!—with
manes flowing like the tresses of Prince
Badroulbador.

"Sheik Hassam, a man of noble ap-
pearance, met me, and after reading
the letter, at once relaxed the stern
dignity of his countenance, and the
supper being now ready, bade me par-
take of the same tray with himself.
The meal consisted of kid's flesh roast-
ed delicately with certain condiments,
of the nature of eau de cologne, and
washed down with mare's milk. A
noble cup of coffee, however, atoned
for the singularity of this repast, and
lighting cheroots of a strong, sweet
flavor, we strolled among the horses,
much of whose beauty and fine points
were observable in the moonlight, for
that luminary had now risen above
the horizon. For reasons of his own,
the sheik certainly did his best to get
me what I wanted, and out of fifty,
every one of which seemed to possess
some different charm. I chose one, and
regretted I had not chosen all the
others. I was loath to leave so roman-
tic a spot, and, though duty called,
lingered some days, the guest of the
sheik, who seemed equally unwilling
to have me go, and piled me with rare
tobacco and still rarer legends, dusky
happenings of desert land, which had
come within his kin, and revealed to
few. I began to feel as if I had
chewed the lotus buds, and did not
care greatly whether I returned to my
native land or not.

"One evening (that before the day
set for my departure) while strolling
and smoking, as usual, in the moon-
light, at some distance from the en-
campment, our footsteps, whether by
accident or the sheik's design, were
directed toward a dark ridge of rocks
which crested a great rise of sand on
the horizon and shone jagged against
the rising moon.

"That forbidding pile," said Sheik
Hassam, with a wave of his long arm,
causing a meteoric effect with the glow-
ing end of his cheroot, "formed once
the centre of an oasis, discovered by
myself and tribe while seeking an un-
frequented portion of the desert for
the purpose of establishing ourselves
for the favorable pursuit of our busi-
ness.

"This oasis seemed the portal of
paradise when, in the splendor of the

noon tide, we halted, after days of
travel beneath a copper sky, before its
waving palms and luxuriant shade.
among which gurgled hidden spring
of water, blessed water, and the song
of birds echoed among the foliage.
"Allah be praised! We shall pro-
sper here!" I cried aloud, and once
them set up the tents, which were not
few and dig a cistern, which was filled
from the springs amid the groves.
The heat diminished not, but rather
intensified from day to day, so that
the outer springs became dry, and we
had to force our way inward (for the
oasis was wide and of densest growth)
to obtain supplies of water.

"Here and there we encountered
beaten paths, which struck us as be-
ing rather singular, as we had seen no
living thing save birds. Possibly, we
argued, they were made by the jackals,
which howled about in the day time
and went there for water after dark al-
though on one occasion I could have
sworn that a vague imprint in the
sandy pathway was that of a beast of
prey.

"I kept a sharp lookout and sen-
tinel even on watch about the horses,
camels and goats tethered a short dis-
tance from the camp beneath leafy
sheds. Nothing of note transpired
for several days, except slight addi-
tional proofs from time to time that
some living creature inhabited the
place. The heat seemed to increase
daily, and the sky assumed that red-
dish tinge which bodes no good to the
dweller in the desert. At rare inter-
vals across the yellow hillocks would
come prouetting diabolical little spir-
als of sand, moved by puffs of wind,
like breaths from a furnace.

"On the morning of the fifth day
Hamed my Circassian slave, a man of
rare courage and singular personal
beauty, disappeared into the depths
of the oasis in quest of fresh water.
That in the cistern being used for the
beasts only, and from the length of
time elapsing, must have penetrated
further than usual. Suddenly we per-
ceived him at the edge of the jungle,
wildly gesticulating. The Arabs' rifles
were at their shoulders in an instant,
but there was a mingled scream and
roar, a flash of tawny finks, and Ham-
ed, dragged down from behind, disap-
peared into the wood.

"The rifleman who had been ear-
nest to him fell upon their faces, para-
lyzed with some awful fear, and could
not be induced to stir. What they had
seen I knew not. Drawing my simitar
and grasping my pistol I bade a huge
black, under threat of instant death,
follow with a lance, and plunged into
the tangled wood at the spot where
Hamed had disappeared. White frag-
ments of cloth upon the broken twigs,
borne down by what must have been a
creature of unusual size and ponderous
strength, guided us onward. Panting
with the heat, bruised with falling,
and now feeling giddy with a strange
odor which began to pervade the air,
we proceeded with the utmost caution
along a path grown steep and rocky.

"The terrible order had grown al-
most stifling, and mingling with it
came a low, whining purr, apparently
at no great distance now.

"Crouching behind a ragged mass
of rock which seemed to have been
split by the heat (the black calling in-
cessantly upon Allah with chattering
teeth) I peered through the crevice in-
to the space beyond. Soul of Moham-
med! What a sight met my gaze!

"Sprawled upon its belly at the en-
trance to a cavern, the lithe tall bat-
ting the ground, was a creature, the
sight of which caused my simitar to
fall from my nerveless grasp. Out of
a tangled red mane, rose a white neck
of columnar strength, surmounted by
a countenance of awful beauty. Be-
neath netted eyebrows glowing eyes like
burnished brass, human in all save
the slit pupils. The lips were a ven-
omous red arch, through which flashed
long canine teeth.

"Before her, slightly propped
against a bowlder, lay Hamed, white
and limp, but conscious and fascinated.
Ever and anon the great furry paw
was thrust forward carelessly (the
claws sheathed), and the eyes of the
dread creature became narrow and ten-
der, and the purring sound was re-
peated.

"Streaming with sweat, I had man-
aged to level my pistol across a pro-
jection, when a shadow fell over us
which deepened, and a murmur broke
upon our ears, increasing to a roar.
Springing to its feet, its eyes blazing
greenly in the gathering gloom, the
Thing seized the shoulder of Hamed's
garments in its teeth, and with a hor-
rid screaming snarl leaped past us, as
the simoon in all its fury burst upon
us.

"The black had already clambered
to the highest rock and lay clasping
the base of a large palm, face down,
enveloped in his burnous. I did like-
wise, and after a period of unconscious-
ness, awoke, and painfully drawing
myself up to a sitting posture against
what remained of the palm tree, gazed
about me. The black lay rigid at
my side, stifled.

"Around about among the rocks
and trees and across the plain were
great drifts and billows of sand, but of
all my faithful people and valuable
beasts there was no trace. A tent
pole, with a fragment of canvas here
and there, marked their graves.

"I was rescued in a delirious con-
dition by my partner, who came week-
ly to visit the encampment.

"That I am stopping in this vicin-
ity is owing to an irresistible fascina-
tion the spot has for me, and to its
being in the direct road to the market
town, whither I go at intervals to
trade. The mystery that yonder sand
heaps envelop will never be revealed
until the desert and the sea give up
their dead."

"How did you and George get along
at the seashore?" asked her best
friend. "Swimmingly," was the reply.

SOMETHING ABOUT SILKS.

They Are Not Only Cheap but the Varie-
ties Are Many.

"It is a funny thing about silks this
year," said the silk man. "At one
time you could say that such and such
silk was in fashion because all the
women were buying that kind, but it
isn't that way now. Women are buy-
ing everything under the sun in the
way of silks. There are broads, small-
patterned silk, stripes—every
thing; we can't say that we are selling
more of one kind than another, be-
cause we sell them all.

"Women like something different?
Well I guess you are about right there.
I had a woman come in the other day
and say that her sister had bought
such and such a kind of silk at an-
other shop, and she wanted a silk
but that it must be entirely different.
Well, I showed her everything there
was in the shop, but the trouble was
she didn't know what she did want, ex-
cept that it must be different from
anything she had ever seen. That is
the way of it. At one time a man had
his regular customers, who would al-
ways come to him for what they want-
ed, and he could always supply them.
But it is not so now. A woman comes
in and looks everything all over, and
then—takes a sample. It is hard on a
man who is judged by the sales he
makes, and the firm thinks he is no
good if he can't sell.

"Why, I can remember the time,
when I went into the business as a
boy, that women were perfectly well
satisfied if they had only a few kinds
of silk to select from, say a brown and
a green and a blue and a few colors
like that. Now you can't get up new
things fast enough for them and they
are not satisfied at that. With the
competition it means a great deal.
You can't have a few pieces of a cer-
tain kind of silk on hand, and where
there is a greater variety and a larger
stock there is more danger of loss.

"Take light silks that were used for
house wear in the Winter would do for
outdoor Spring and Summer wear.
But there is nothing of that kind
now. We have to have a special var-
iety of silk for the Spring trade.
Silks never were so cheap. Last year
they were cheaper than they ever had
been in the history of the trade. If a
woman doesn't have a silk gown now-
adays it is because she is too particu-
lar to find anything that suits her.
Women are doing less of their own
shopping now than they used to. They
leave more of that to their dress-
makers now. Think of a girl letting
any one buy her wedding gown a few
years ago! She and all the members
of her family would make a business
of shopping for it, but there is nothing
of that kind now. Perhaps there is
just as much sentiment, but the bride
simply tells her dressmaker what she
wants, and she gets the goods, possi-
bly a sample first, if the girl has a
great deal to say about her gowns,
out more likely she will not see it un-
til the material is in the house.

Things are different, and we all feel
it. The competition is so great that
the salaries of the clerks are not half
what they were, and now, where a
man would a number of years ago
have had a small shop of his own and
make enough to support his family,
comfortably, he has to take half the
money in the employ of some one else.
Oh, yes, women spend more money
than they did, but they have more
things for which to spend it."

Three Novelties.



1. Plate collar of fine batiste, em-
brodered.
2. Draped girdle of blue silk with a
piece of black silk in centre of front,
on which are six steel buttons.
3. Black velvet ribbon belt with
steel and turquoise buckle.

A Recipe for a Salad.

To make this condiment, your poet
begs
The pounded yellow of two hard-boiled
eggs;
Two boiled potatoes, passed through
kitchen sieve;
Smoothness and softness to the salad
give;
Let onion atoms lurk within the bowl,
And, half-suspected, animate the
whole;
Of mordant mustard add a single
spoon,
Distrust the condiment that bites so
soon;
But deem it not, thou man of herbs,
a fault
To add a double quantity of salt;
Four times the spoon with oil from
Lucca crown,
And twice with vinegar procured from
town;
And, lastly, o'er the flavored com-
pound toss
A magic soupcon of anchovy sauce.
Oh, green and glorious! oh, herbac-
eous treat!
'Twould tempt a dying anchorite to
eat;
Back to the world he'd turn his fleet-
ing soul,
And plunge his fingers in the salad
bowl.
Serenely full, the epicure would say,
"Fate cannot harm me. I have dined
to-day!"
—Sydney Smith.

Mistaken Idea.

Half the world is on the wrong scent
in the pursuit of happiness. They
think it consists in having and getting
and in being served by others; it con-
sists of giving and in serving others.
—Durmond.

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