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## SPECIAL DRIVES

FOR ONE WEEK ONLY

Commencing Saturday of This Week.

### LINEN SALE.

Table Damasks all Reduced.

Fine heavy pure linen table damask was \$1.50, now \$1.25  
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 This week 50c  
 Extra good pillow cases at 15c each  
 8-4 and 9-4 sheetings and pillow casings at sale prices

### All Overcoats and Suits 1-4 Off.

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50c and 59c Dress Goods now 29c  
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 These must be sold at once.

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#### Farmers' Club Meeting.

The January meeting of the W. W. Farmers' Club was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Boynton. Meeting called to order by the president. Program opened with music followed with prayer by Rev. F. A. Stiles.

George Boynton resigned as chairman of the legislative committee and Wm. Stocking was appointed in his place.

Solo and duet—"Tell mother I'll be there." Mesdames Frank Storms and Herman Fletcher.

Quotation.  
 Recitation—"Give them a lift when they are down." Geo. E. Davis.

Question—"How can we best advance the interests of the American people?" Led by Frank Sweetland; discussed by members of the club.

Meeting then adjourned to meet at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James McLaren Wednesday, February 13th.

#### Supervisors for the County Fair.

The following supervisors of the Washtenaw county fair have been appointed:

General Superintendent—F. B. Barun.  
 Cattle—George Phelps.  
 Horses, classes 1 to 5—Herman Rayer.  
 Horses, classes 6 to 9—Frank Stowell.  
 Sheep—O. C. Burkhardt.  
 Swine—C. Clements.  
 Poultry—C. H. McIntyre.  
 Dairy and Culinary—Mrs. B. D. Kelly.  
 Flowers—Mrs. J. M. Braun.  
 Fine Art—A. C. Schumacher.  
 Class 1 and 2 (garden products)—J. M. Braun.  
 Class 3 (farm and garden)—Mr. and Mrs. J. Fletcher.  
 Fruits—Mr. and Mrs. H. J. McMichael.  
 Manufactured Products—Jacob Reichert.  
 Miscellaneous—Emery Leland.  
 Schools—W. N. Lister.  
 Merchants' Display—A. C. Schumacher.  
 Pionerr—Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Graves.

#### New Officers.

At the annual meeting of the German Workmen's Society, Monday evening the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President—Charles Kaercher.  
 Vice President—Jacob Hepfer.  
 Corresponding and Financial Secretary—Israel Vogel.  
 Cashier and Treasurer—C. Neuberger.  
 Trustees—Adam Faist, Michael Merkel and George Bauer.  
 Secretary of Sick Committee—Jacob Schumacher.  
 Physician—Dr. G. W. Palmer.  
 Color Bearer—Geo. P. Staffan.  
 Assistant Color Bearers—Theo. Wedemeyer and Joseph Kolb.

At a meeting of Chelsea Court, No. 7612 I. O. F., held in their hall on Friday evening, January 18th, the following members were elected officers for the ensuing year:

C. R.—J. E. McKune.  
 V. C. R.—Geo. A. BeGole.  
 F. S. and Treas.—J. George Webster.  
 R. S.—C. W. Maroney.  
 Chaplain—A. L. Steger.  
 S. W.—Orrin Thatcher.  
 J. W.—C. Flagler.  
 S. B.—W. S. Shell.  
 J. B.—M. Conway.  
 C. W. Maroney representative to the High Court at Bay City, February 25th.  
 J. E. McKune, alternate.

The installation of the newly elected officers will be Friday evening, January 25th and all members are requested to be present.

#### Real Estate Transfers.

Mary McKone to Ella Johnson et al., Sylvan \$300.  
 Martin McKune and wife to John and Timothy McKune, Sylvan 1,000.  
 Frank W. Carpenter et al. to Ephriam H. Carpenter, Dexter 4,800.  
 Emily Monroe to Mary Schwikerath, Chelsea 225.  
 Gottlieb Ahmiller and wife to Angus & Hawkes, Chelsea 100.  
 L. Evalina Gates to Angus & Hawkes, Lima 1,184.50.  
 Frank Staffan and wife to Angus & Hawkes, Chelsea 25.  
 Frank H. Sweetland and wife to Angus & Hawkes, Sylvan 97.50.  
 George P. Glazier and wife to Angus & Hawkes, Chelsea 90.  
 Reuben Kempf and wife to Angus & Hawkes, Sylvan 500.  
 Jacob Schumacher and wife to Angus & Hawkes, Chelsea 600.  
 Henry Frey and wife to Angus & Hawkes, Sylvan, 125.  
 A. Mortimer Freer et al., to Angus & Hawkes, Lima 125.  
 Geo. Taylor and wife to Angus & Hawkes, Lima 677.50.  
 Mary E. Schwikerath to Angus & Hawkes, Chelsea 300.  
 Edward Bessel to Angus & Hawkes, Chelsea 400.  
 John W. Bessel to Edward Bessel, Chelsea 1.

#### METHODIST NOTES.

Our prayer meetings continue to prove seasons of refreshing, and all who attend find it profitable to wait on the Lord.

It is now a settled thing that the pipe organ will be dedicated February 25th. The full program will be announced later.

The class of probationers under the care of the pastor are doing well. Very interesting and profitable services are held every Tuesday night.

Rev. George Turk of the Carlton street Methodist church of Toronto, Ont., has been secured to preach in the Methodist church on the anniversary of the dedication of the church, February 24th.

Our Sunday-school is in a prosperous condition. The first Sunday in each month it gives the collection for missions. The collections so far this year has averaged about \$10. The first Sunday in the new year the collection amounted to \$15.85. Last Sunday the pastor had 25 men in his class.

The public are invited to a birthday social which the ladies of the M. E. church will give in the church parlors on Friday evening, February 1. Supper from 5 to 8 o'clock. An enjoyable program has been prepared for an after supper entertainment which will begin promptly at 8 o'clock. By a happy coincidence Bros. Hunter and Crossley are expected to be with us at that time and we shall have the added pleasure of their presence.

Bros. Hunter and Crossley are expected to arrive in Chelsea at 10 p. m. Thursday, January 31st, and remain until Saturday, on their way to Owosso where they commence services Sunday, February 3rd. We are sure the people of Chelsea will be pleased to see them and if they wish to shake hands with the 'n let them come to the Methodist church on Friday night, and attend the birthday social to be given by the Ladies' Aid Society.

#### Remains of Tudor Palace in London.

Enfield post office, which is shortly to be removed to a new site, at present occupies a building which possesses some remarkable traditions. It was Queen Elizabeth's palace. A portion of the center and south wing of the Tudor structure still remains, and within there are richly ornamented ceilings, oak paneled walls and a massive chimney piece, standing on Ionic and Corinthian columns; and here are seen the letters "E. R.," with the arms of England and France quartered, the rose and portucullis, the lion and the griffon, and the motto, "Sola salus servire Deo, sunt alterae fraudes." At the back is a gigantic cedar, which is regarded as the first of these trees ever grown in England, as unquestionably it is the largest. The story runs that it was reared from a seed brought over from Mount Libanus.—London Telegraph.

#### England Venerates the Oak.

It is only too true to say that our state forests have been neglected and mismanaged in the near past. Alice Holt and the New forest are instances in point. Then there is Windsor forest, which has also suffered in the same way. In many places oaks were being grown where there was no prospect of their ever becoming good trees. The soil was unsuited to these trees, though capable of growing excellent Scotch pines. There are plenty of goods in the south of England, the property of private individuals, where the ground is oak-sick, yet the owners make no attempt to permit any other sort of tree. A tree which is now very common throughout Surrey and other counties is the locust tree, or acacia.—London Express.

#### Klondike's Equable Climate.

An illusion in the minds of the ill-informed is that the climate of the Klondike is such as to make life unendurable. The fact is that the winter from November to March is no harder than in the northern part of New York, Minnesota or Wisconsin, and better than the blizzard-stricken states further west, on account of the small snowfall. While it is true that the thermometer will go as low as 40 degrees below zero for four or five days during the winter, the weather is uniformly comfortable enough to allow outdoor mining operations during the entire winter season. The spring, summer and fall are distinct, with an ideal climate.—N. Y. Herald.

#### Memory of a Benefactor Toasted.

Toasting Sir Francis Drake is an interesting ceremony. The town of Plymouth consumes 5,000,000 gallons of water per day, and its first regular supply was given to the town during Sir Francis Drake's mayoralty. Annually the town indulges in the quaint ceremony of toasting his memory, which is done in this way: The pious memory of Sir Francis is drunk in water at the head weir. But then the company drinks in wine, to the sentiment: "May the descendants of him who brought us water never want for wine."—Pearson's Weekly.

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The plans of an electric railroad between Rome and Naples are nearly completed.

The largest and most cumbersome form of money is found in Central Africa, where the natives use a cross-shaped ingot of copper ore over ten inches long.

In the neighborhood of New Buffalo, Mich., gray wolves are raiding sheep pens. One big fellow was run down by dogs and killed the other morning.

Officials of the navy department are considering a plan for recruiting for the navy from the farms and country towns in the interior of the country.

A. J. King, who was recently elected prosecuting attorney of Vernon county, Mo., may have to conduct a lawsuit against himself.

"My regard for you," wrote Samuel Johnson to Boswell, "is greater than I have words to express; but I do not mean to be always repeating it."

It is understood to be the intention of Gen. Heywood, commandant of the marine corps, to recommend that all officers who have been on duty in the Philippines for two years or over and who so desire be brought to the United States within the next few months.

The Woman's Christian Temperance union of Indiana has put itself on record as favoring the creation of a new federal department to supervise the manufacture and sale of alcoholic beverages.

The new president of a transcontinental railway who, it is said, draws a salary of fifty-five thousand dollars a year, began his education in railroad twenty-seven years ago.

Five hundred men sleep, eat and keep warm beneath roofs of nothing else but paper at Netley, says London Answers. There are forty-five of these long, narrow buildings, constructed entirely of paper.

General Sanger's appointment of fifty-eight Cuban women as census enumerators caused some astonishment and much doubt as to their ability to do the work efficiently.

An outbreak of typhoid fever has occurred in Lambeth, England, owing to infected mangles. Forty-one cases occurred in twenty-four houses, all within a restricted area.

TALMAGE'S SERMON.

THE DOOR OF CHRISTIAN RELIGION OPEN TO ALL.

Timely Discourse on the Occasion of the Twentieth Anniversary of the Bowery Missions in New York City—Broader Sympathy Required.

(Copyright, 1901, by Louis Kloppsch, N. Y.) New York, Jan. 20.—On the occasion of the twentieth anniversary of the Bowery mission, Jan. 13, Dr. Talmage preached to a vast audience at the New York Academy of Music.

There is no monopoly in religion. The grace of God is not a little property that we may fence off and have all to ourselves. It is not a king's park, at which we look through a barred gateway, wishing that we might go in and see the statuary and the deer and the royal conservatory.

Well, my friends, there are Christian men who have the church under severe guard. There is fruit in this orchard for the whole world, but they have a rough and unsympathetic way of accosting outsiders, as though they had no business there, though the Lord wants all to come and take the choicest and ripest fruit on the premises.

McDonald, the Scotchman, has thousands of head of sheep. Some of them are browsing on the heather, some of them are lying down under the trees, some are strolling over the mountains.

We need as churches to get into sympathy with the great outside world and let them know that none are so broken hearted or hard beset that they will not be welcomed.

Why Rejected Christianity? But I do not stop now to know how you came into rejection of Christianity. You frankly tell me that you do reject it. You do not believe that Christ is a divine being, although you admit that he was a very good man.

Years ago I visited a New England factory village. I went up to the door of a factory, and I saw on the outside the words, "No admittance." Of course I went in, and, coming to the second door, I saw the words, "No admittance."

twenty years ago." Is it not strange that you are among the first that I address today? I know all your case. You have not been accustomed to going into the house of God, but I have a surprising announcement to make to you.

Send Out the Lifeboats. When the steamer Atlantic struck Mars rock and the people clambered up on the beach, why did not Mr. Ancient, that heroic minister of the gospel, of whom we have all read, sit down and take care of those men on the beach, wrapping them in flannels, kindling fire for them, and seeing that they got plenty of food?

They talk about the catacombs of Naples and the catacombs of Rome and the catacombs of Egypt, the great burial places under the city where is the dust of many generations passed on.

But I turn to outsiders with an expectation that thrills through me, body and soul. "Other sheep I have, which are not of this fold." You are not gospel hardened. You have not heard many sermons during the last few years.

Three Philadelphians Whose Ages Reach Total of 350 Years. Philadelphia has the most celebrated trio of old folks in any city in the United States. Each one of the remarkable group has attained the century mark, and the oldest has exceeded it by thirty years.

Do nothing when angry and you will have the less to undo. The oldest of the trio is Mrs. Mary McDonald, according to the best obtainable information the oldest woman in the world.

to you with a gospel medicine. It has cured hundreds and thousands and millions. Will you take it? "No," you say, "I have no confidence in it." Take it, then, to oblige me. I tell you of a Physician who has cured more blind eyes, and bound up more broken hearts, and healed more ghastly wounds than all the doctors since the time of Aesculapius.

Gospel of Peace and Hope. Oh, men, skeptical and struck through with unrest! I beg you come off that great Sahara desert of doubt into the bright and luxuriant land of gospel hope and peace.

I want to tell you that God loves to take hold of a very bad case. When the church casts you off, and when the clubroom casts you off, and when society casts you off, and when business associates cast you off, and when father casts you off, and when mother casts you off, and when everybody casts you off your first cry for help will bend the eternal God clear down to the ditch of your suffering and shame.

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DOINGS OF THE 41ST SESSION.

The following bills were passed in the house on the 17th: A bill providing voting precinct in the township of Baldwin; repealing jury commission law in St. Clair county; authorizing the village of Algonac to borrow \$4,000 for an electric light plant; authorizing the village of Algonac to borrow \$3,000 to pay outstanding debts; increasing salary of judge of probate of Wayne county to \$6,000 a year.

Speaker Carlton, has announced committee assignments to visit state institutions as follows: Committee on the criminal insane asylum at Ionia on the 22d; committee on eastern Michigan asylum at Pontiac on the 23d; committee on the institute for the deaf and dumb at Flint on the 24th.

Rep. Kerr introduced three bills in the house on the 17th, all of which have an important bearing on the general tax laws of the state, and the passage of which would practically put the tax commission out of business.

There is a great deal of opposition to the Atwood bill, because it provides that the decision of the proposed new state board of assessors on railroad assessments shall be absolute and final.

Rep. Colby and several of the farmer members of the legislature are advocating a plan to practically raise the salary of Attorney-General Oren from \$800 to \$2,800.

Rep. Randall on the 15th gave notice of the introduction of a bill to amend the divorce law by providing that where a married man or woman has been confined in an insane asylum for five years and pronounced incurable, this will be sufficient grounds for granting a divorce to the party suing for one.

The members of the house went on record in committee of the whole on the 17th as being decidedly in favor of accepting railroad passes and almost unanimously refused to pass a provision prohibiting members from accepting the bits of pasteboard, which extends to them the privileges of the different roads.

The following bill was passed in the house on the 18th: Making president of village of Pinconning ex-officio member of the board of supervisors of Bay county. The senate also passed one bill, as follows: Increasing salary of probate judge of Wayne county to \$6,000 a year.

Rep. McCall, of Charlotte, on the 15th noticed a bill providing for Sunday closing of all theaters in Michigan; also a bill to specifically tax sleeping car companies operating in this state.

Both houses of the legislature disposed of business in less than half an hour on the 18th, there being very little to do, and adjourned until the night of the 21st.

The right of the state legislature to control the rentals and tolls of the telephone companies doing business in this state is to be tried by a bill which A. D. Marx, of Detroit, is having prepared and which Rep. Jacob Baumann will introduce.

It is reported at Lansing that Gov. Bliss has decided to find successors for the three tax commissioners now hanging over.

The senate on the 15th confirmed all the appointments sent to that body by Gov. Bliss the day before.

It now looks as though the entire senate will take a recess about Feb. 1 and go on a junket to the Upper Peninsula to visit state institutions there.

Up to Jan. 15 there had been signed 1,000 contracts for the new telephone system in Detroit.

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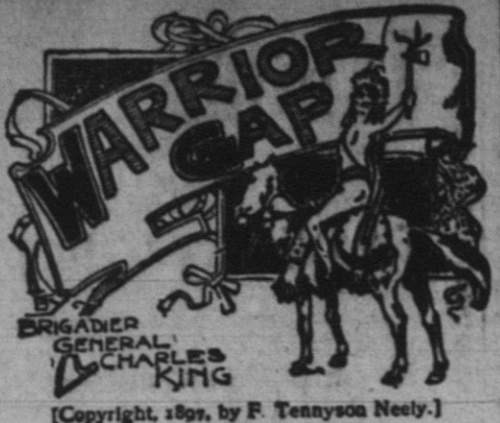
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That evening, when John Folsom, half an hour earlier than the stipulated time, drove the girls and their friend, Lieut. Loomis, out to the fort.

Then, leading the way into the library and closing the door behind them, he demanded all particulars Lannon could give him, which were few enough.

"The lieutenant halted the troop outside the post," said the indignant ranchman, "had it dismounted there while he rode on in to report to the commanding officer for instructions.

"Then I said I'd go right in and find you, and that's all I know." And then it was that Folsom turned on Burleigh, with gloom in his eye.

"Nothing in the world, I assure you, Mr. Folsom. I—I deeply regret it. Though, as I have told you, I can hardly be surprised, after what has been said, and—what I have seen."

"Pray do not be troubled, Miss Folsom," said Burleigh, advancing upon them with outstretched hand.

"Who put them in circulation, Maj. Burleigh?" asked Pappoose, her brown eyes studying his face as unflinchingly as had her father's gaze a moment before.

"That, my dear young lady I—cannot surmise. They are mostly imaginative, I dare say."

But Miss Folsom looked unsmiling, Miss Dean agitated, and Burleigh himself had many a reason for feeling ill at ease.

"Tell them to send up my buggy, quick," were his orders as he stepped within his office doorway. Then lowering his voice: "Has Capt. Newhall returned?" he asked the chief clerk.

"The captain was here, sir. Left word he needed to take the first train—freight or construction, it made no difference—to Cheyenne and expected to find a letter or package from you, and there's two telegrams in from department headquarters on your desk, sir."

Warrior Gap to pay contractors and workmen, and directing him to send the amount from the funds in his keeping. The other read as follows:

Ten thousand dollars to be sent at once to Warrior Gap! Workmen's pay! Who could have given such an order? Who would have imagined payment would have to be made before July, when some reasonable amount of work had been done?

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to shame him before officers of the general staff and expect to go unwhipped? Was that butt-headed subaltern to be the means of ruining his prospects right here and now when he stood so sorely in need of aid?

"Go and hurry that buggy," he ordered, as he crushed the sheet of paper on which he had been nervously figuring. Then, springing up, he began pacing his office with impatient stride.

"Now, damn you, go—if you want to!" and the lash fell on the glistening, quivering flank, and with her head pointed for the hard, open prairie, the pretty creature sped like mad over the smooth roadway and whirled the light buggy out past the scattered wooden tenements of the exterior limits of the frontier town—the tall white staff, tipped by its patch of color flapping in the mountain breeze, and the dingy wooden buildings on the distant bluff whirling into view as he spun around the corner where the village lost itself in the prairie;

And there, long reaches ahead of him, just winding up the ascent to the post was a stylish team and trap. John Folsom and the girls had taken an early start and got ahead of him.

Old Stevens was up and about as Folsom's carriage drove swiftly through the garrison and passed straight out by the northeast gate.

"I'll be back to see you in a moment," shouted the old driver smilelessly, as he shot by the lonely colonel, going, papers in hand, to his office, and Stevens well knew he was in for trouble.

Already the story was blazing about the post that nothing but the timely arrival of Dean and his men had saved Folsom's ranch, and Folsom's people. Already the men, wondering and indignant at their young leader's arrest, were shouting over the sutler's bar their praise, and their denunciation of his treatment.

Over the meeting of sister and brother at the latter's little tent let us draw a veil. He stepped forth in a moment and bade his other visitors welcome, shook hands eagerly with Loomis and urged their coming in, but he never passed from under the awning or "fly," and Folsom well knew the reason.

"Jump out, daughter," he said to Pappoose, and Loomis assisted her to alight, and led her straight up to Dean, and for the first time in those two years the ex-cadet captain and the whilom little schoolgirl with the heavy braids of hair looked into each other's eyes, and in Dean's there was amazement, and at least momentary delight.

"Why, where did this come from?" asked Miss Folsom in surprise, "and what's happened to it?—all creased and black there!" Then both the girls and Loomis looked to him for explanation, while Folsom drove away, and even through the bronze and tan the boy was blushing.

"I—borrowed it for a minute—at the ranch just as Jake came in wounded, and there was no time to return it, you know. We had to gallop right out."

"Then—you had it with you in the Indian fight?" cried Jess, in thrilling excitement. "Really? Oh, Nell! How I wish it were mine. But how'd it get so blackened there—and crushed? You haven't told us."

"Tell you some other time, Jess. Don't crowd a fellow," he laughed. But when his eyes stole their one quick glance at Elinor, standing there in silence, he saw the color creeping up like sunset glow all over her beautiful face as she turned quickly away.

Lannon had told them of the close shave the lieutenant had had and the havoc played by that bullet in the breast pocket of his hunting shirt.

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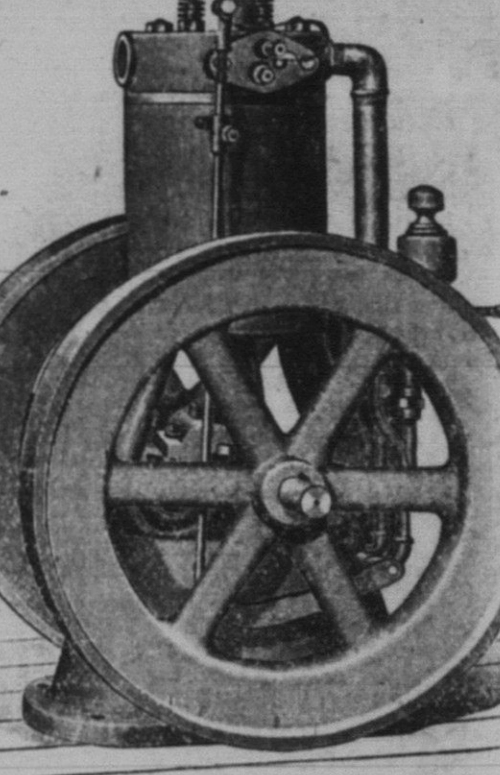


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