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HELD ITS ANNUAL MEETING.

W. W. U. Farmers' Club Elected Officers and Had a Good Time.

The annual meeting of the Western Washtenaw Union Farmers' Club was held Friday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Spaulding, of Sylvan. About 50 were present and partook of the bountiful oyster dinner furnished by the gentlemen of the club and prepared by the ladies.

No particular program beyond election of officers had been announced for the occasion, so a general good season of visiting was indulged in. The election of officers resulted in the re-election of those then in office as follows:

President—Howard Everett.
Vice President—H. Lighthall.
Secretary—Mrs. Amy Gentner.
Treasurer—Mrs. G. K. Chapman.

Rev. E. E. Caster gave a splendid report of the proceedings of the meeting of the State Association of Farmers' Club held at Lansing, last week, which he and Mrs. Caster had attended as the delegates from this club.

The song by three gentlemen members of the club, which was confidently expected to be the feature of the occasion, failed to materialize. Two of them claimed to have such hard colds that they could not sing, and the third stated that as the song contained 201 verses he could not sing it without the music, and his comrade had forgotten to bring that.

Rev. and Mrs. Joseph Ryerson were elected to honorary membership in the club.

The meeting closed by singing "America." The next meeting will be Jan. 19, 1906, with Rev. and Mrs. E. E. Carter.

RESISTED AN OFFICER

But Finally Paid Fine for Violating Compulsory School Law.

John Feuerbacher, a farmer and blacksmith of Freedom, knows how it goes to refuse to comply with the compulsory school laws of the state. His children have been very irregular in their attendance at school, he frequently taking them out. Truant Officer Seymour has tried by peaceable methods to get Feuerbacher to comply with the law but with no avail. A warrant was, therefore, issued by Justice J. P. Wood, of Chelsea, on order of the prosecuting attorney, for his arrest.

The warrant was given to Deputy Sheriff Frank Leach to serve and on Thursday he went out to make the arrest. Feuerbacher refused to go with him and made a threatening demonstration against the officer. Leach telephoned for assistance, which, however, was finally not needed, as after a three hours' debate Feuerbacher agreed to go with him.

He was brought before Justice Wood that evening and for a long time was very obstinate and refused to plead. The prospect of going to jail pending examination finally moved him and he pleaded guilty and paid a fine of \$5 and costs, in all \$14.85.

INSTALLED THEIR OFFICERS.

Masons and Eastern Stars Had a Good Time Tuesday Night.

The installation of the officers for 1906 of Olive Lodge, No. 156, F. & A. M., Tuesday evening, was a very pleasant occasion. The ladies of the Eastern Star were invited to be present to witness the ceremony and there was a good audience present in consequence.

Past Master R. B. Waltrous installed the officers and on the conclusion of his work Rev. Joseph Ryerson was called on and made a brief address.

Dainty refreshments were served and to wind up the whole, Charles Steinbach and George Ward rendered two or three pieces on the violin and piano which were thoroughly enjoyed. Altogether, the occasion was a very pleasant one.

CHRISTMAS AT THE CHURCHES.

All the Religious Bodies Will Have Splendid Yuletide Services.

CHURCH OF OUR LADY OF THE SACRED HEART.

As is the custom of this church at Christmas time the edifice will be beautifully decorated and the services will be of an unusually brilliant nature, and special masses are being prepared by the choir to be sung on Christmas day. The Christmas crib will be erected on St. Joseph's altar and at the high mass at 4:30 a. m. the church will be illuminated with the new electric lighting system that has just been installed. The services for Christmas day will be as follows: High mass, 4:30 a. m., low mass, 7:30 and 9:30 a. m.; benediction after the last mass; no evening service. St. Cecilia's choir will sing at the second mass. Standard time is given in all the above cases.

BAPTIST.

The services at this church next Sunday will be appropriate to the Christmastide. Mrs. George Blaich, of Ann Arbor, has been engaged to sing and, with the choir, will furnish some special music. Rev. P. M. McKay's sermon in the morning will be a Christmas one, and in the evening he will preach on "The Star of Jacob."

The Sunday school exercises and Christmas tree will be given in the church Friday evening at 7 o'clock. There will be an interesting program by the children, and gifts will be distributed to them at the close of the exercises.

CONGREGATIONAL.

There will be special Christmas services at this church both morning and evening next Sunday. "Providential Preparation for the Coming of Christ," will be the pastor's subject in the morning. The sermon in the evening will be on "The Best Gift."

The Sunday school entertainment and Christmas tree will be held in the church tomorrow (Friday) evening at 7 o'clock. The program will consist of recitations, dialogues and songs by the children.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL.

Christmas services will mark the day in this church next Sunday. There will be special music by the choir at each service. In the morning Rev. Joseph Ryerson will preach on "The Star in the East." In the evening his subject will be "The Power of the Cradle."

The Sunday school will have its Christmas entertainment and tree Friday evening at 7 o'clock.

ST. PAUL'S EVANGELICAL.

Services Sunday at 10 a. m., followed by Holy Communion. Subject of the pastor's sermon will be "Communion with God."

In the evening at 6 o'clock the Sunday school Christmas services will be held. There will be a program of songs and recitations by the children followed by a Christmas cantata which has been prepared by some of the young ladies. There will also be a beautiful decorated Christmas tree and presents will be distributed to the children.

On Christmas day, Monday, Dec. 25th, there will be services in the morning at 10 o'clock. The subject for the sermon will be "His Poverty Our Gain."

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY.

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The "telephone heart," of course, is the kind that always answers with the busy signal.

Health alarmists are starting a crusade against the use of tea. Beware of the green peril.

Sh-h-h! Don't tell it out loud, but nobody seems to have thought of forming a cranberry trust.

It remains to be seen whether Mr. Morgan's new gold brick will turn out to be another Ascolt cope.

W. K. Vanderbilt must have literary ambitions. He now writes his name William Klesam Vanderbilt.

A Boston paper asks: "Are there any honest men in the City of New York?" Well, Mark Twain is there.

Just by way of showing its superiority to other Latin-American republics, Cuba has held a critical election peaceably.

After all, the man who exercises the most graceful self-restraint is the one who could have told us so, and didn't—Puck.

A good deal of near-poetry was sent to Mark Twain on his birthday. Fortunately he is a rugged man in spite of his years.

News from Russia cannot be guaranteed, but it is said that the empire's retiring minister of finance is a Tschipoff the old block.

Mark Twain says a man over seventy is an "honorary citizen." Yes, and we know a lot of men under seventy who are ornery citizens.

Mrs. Chadwick implies that she will tell everything, if she is given another chance in court, even to the disclosures of the actual age of Ann.

The emperor of Korea, having accepted the Japanese terms, is now allowed to get up and put on his hat and brush the litter off his clothes.

If Gen. Bates, the new chief of the army staff, is anywhere near as fierce as he looks in his pictures it will go hard with any foreign foe that may attack us.

That farewell dinner to Charles Dana Gibson was attended by a dozen of his friends, but they were all mere men, and the original Gibson girl was not present.

A mob hooted at the oldest daughter of King Edward in the streets of London the other day. The outlook for the royalty business is anything but promising.

Harvard will play no more football until the rules are changed. Some of the Yale partisans claim, however, that Harvard will not be likely to play football even then.

Also, now is the time to find that nice little savings bank in which you were going to put a certain sum every day this year. Have you seen it since the 10th of last January?

J. P. Morgan says he was cheated in a recent railroad deal. The other fellow might almost be justified in fixing up dates for the purpose of going out to lecture about it.

A woman in Newcastle, Pa., caused the arrest of her son for talking in his sleep. She knows that something must be done to cure him, if his married life is not to be a failure.

Mrs. Chadwick has had ample time to think it over, and she is unrepentant. She would do it over again if she had the chance, but she would improve on her methods next time.

Under a new policy of the war department, officers of the commissary department are to be taught to bake bread and to cook. This will make them especially desirable as husbands.

Japanese gendarmes fired on a mob in Seoul, Korea, the other day, and in Tokio anti-imperialists filed forty-three speeches, twenty-seven newspaper articles and a protest with the mikado.

Mark Twain says he never did a day's work in his life. This is calculated to remove the impression that piloting a Mississippi river steamboat in the old days was anything like work.

The sultan's general uprising of Islam in a holy war for the green flag of the prophet seems to be petering out into the usual version of the proposition of Crockett's coon, "Don't shoot, I'll come down."

According to a German paper, Chile is about to order a battleship, two cruisers and four destroyers from German shipbuilders, the price to be paid being \$15,000,000, presumably with the intention of insuring eternal peace.

Another noted actress has abandoned the stage to take up married life, but the comfort that may be found in the news is largely offset by the knowledge that some other woman, at about the same time, abandoned married life to take up the stage.

STATE NEWS

BURNED HOMES IN WHICH EIGHT LIVES ARE LOST.

VICTIMS OF THE FLAMES IN LONG RAPIDS, A HOME NEAR CHARLEVOIX AND FIFE LAKE.

Three Homes Burned; Eight Perish.

A shocking fatality occurred at Hiram Marston's farm, Long Rapids, 20 miles from Alpena, Monday, in which Russell and Royal, the 17-months-old twin sons of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Danford, tenants of the farm, were burned to death in their cradle. The father got up before daylight, started the kitchen fire and went to the barn to do his chores, leaving his wife still asleep in the bedroom, and the children in the cradle in the kitchen. The mother awoke shortly afterward to find the room filled with smoke and the bed clothes afire. She jumped through the window in her night dress and rang the dinner bell. The father ran from the barn and rushed into the burning house and emerged an instant later with the children in the cradle, both dead and badly disfigured. The mother suffered serious burns on her hands and face. The father is in a serious condition. His eyebrows and eyelashes are burned off and his face frightfully charred. His eyesight is also probably gone.

Burned to death in their home near Charlevoix, the husband and father, unable because of locked doors to rescue them, was the fate Sunday night of Mrs. William Ostrum and her two children, one three years old and the other but six months. The mother was subject to apoplexy, and it is supposed that she fell in a fit, upsetting her lamp and precipitating the holocaust.

Ostrum says it was but a few minutes after he left the house at 6 o'clock that he learned of the fire. He ran back and frantically attempted to rescue his family, but the whole interior of the house was ablaze, and the locked doors further hindered his efforts at rescue.

When the fire had burned itself out, the bodies of the three victims were found in the cellar. The mother and the oldest child were found in the remnants of the bed, and the body of the babe beneath the place where it usually lay in a chair.

Three children of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Ingersoll, ranging in age from 3 to 8 years, were burned to death in their home near Fife Lake, Thursday. The father was at work and the mother went to visit a neighbor, leaving the children in the house alone. The youngest child was cremated and the other two died shortly after being taken from the burning house.

The fire was started by the children playing with kerosene oil while the mother was absent looking for another child which had wandered away from home.

To the Electric Chair.

Fred Caster, of Flint, has been found guilty at Columbus, O., of murder in the first degree for the killing of Policeman Dan Davis of that city, who detected him in the act of robbing the home of Horace L. Chapman, a wealthy mine owner.

This verdict means that Caster will go to the electrical chair.

Caster has a Michigan record, also. At Bay City about two years ago he was surprised in the residence of Mrs. John Gregory, and forced Messrs. Orrin Jackson and Bigelow, roomers there, to show him the door by holding a gun at their heads. Caster escaped, but was held up by Saginaw police and captured after engaging in a revolver battle. He was sentenced at Bay City, escaped, was captured again and served his sentence, was again arrested in Flint, sentenced, and escaped.

East Paris Tragedy.

Webb Clark, aged 45, a prosperous farmer of East Paris township, shot his wife in the right temple at an early hour Thursday morning. She will die. After defying the efforts of the neighboring farmers to enter his home to give aid to his wife he returned into the house and sent a bullet into his own right temple. He cannot live and was unconscious when two deputy sheriffs reached the scene, after driving five miles from the city.

Clark is said to have been insane. His three children declare that he spent a sleepless night, having terrific pains in the head, and that at an early hour Thursday morning he began to rave. About 5 o'clock, as nearly as the children figure it, Clark called his wife to his side and with her head almost against his bosom and in the act of caressing her, he pulled his revolver and put a bullet into her temple.

The three children were unharmed. One, the oldest boy, named Fred, escaped from the house at 6 o'clock, and conveyed the news to a neighbor, who called the sheriff.

After Clarence Weatherby, of Muskegon, had been sentenced to the Detroit house of correction for 65 days for working a confidence game on O. L. McKinley, several shrewd merchants acknowledged that the boy had worked the same game on them.

Judge W. R. Kendrick, of Saginaw, will be reappointed by Gov. Warner a member of the state board of pardons.

John Brown, of Millersburg, removed his red sweater and placed it beside the railroad track, stopping a freight train and causing much confusion.

The game warden's department has seized 52 deep water gill nets at Beaver island, in Lake Michigan, which belong to the Michigan and Wisconsin fishermen, and are valued at several thousand dollars. This is the biggest single seizure in the history of the department.

FEARFUL EXPLOSION.

A quick, sharp detonation, louder than the combined report of many cannons; a distinct tremor that shook Marquette; the sound of falling glass, and a dull, rumbling roar that vibrated among the hills. These were the accompaniments of the disastrous explosion when 1,300 pounds of nitro-glycerin and a quantity of dynamite let go, which wrecked the plant of the Eastern Dynamite Co., three miles distant from Marquette, Saturday morning. The scene at the works is one of dire havoc. The nitro-glycerin house is a total wreck, also the "dope" house. The packing houses look as though they had been bombarded with heavy guns, and the engine room and other buildings more or less damaged. Great holes were torn in the roofs, the walls were bulged in or shoved out, and in some instances the buildings had collapsed utterly.

Of the mixing house, located on the bank of Deer river, not a vestige remains. It was here that the explosion of the deadly nitro-glycerin had occurred—how, will never be known, for all five men in the building at the time were blown into atoms. Torn into splinters, the timbers had been scattered like so much chaff. The machinery broken into pieces, had been hurled in all directions, some smaller fragments being picked up a mile distant. Parts of the flywheel were found several hundred feet away on the ice of the river. Large pine trees had been broken in two, and in general the scene was one of devastation, for which, however, thanks are due that it was no worse. Had the nitro-glycerin house gone too, and it is regarded as remarkable that it didn't, the horror possibly would have been magnified many times over.

Of the five men killed, only enough shreds of their blackened flesh to cover the bottom of a small powder box had been found in the snow in the nearby woods up to late this afternoon.

The plant comprises about 30 buildings, scattered over 80 acres. Some structures were wrecked, others badly damaged, the property loss running well into the thousands. It will be necessary to rebuild practically the entire plant.

MICHIGAN ITEMS.

During November there were 2,644 deaths in Michigan, of which 187 were from tuberculosis and 143 from cancer.

Cornelius, the 15-year-old son of Peter Reilly, broke through the ice and was drowned while skating on the Raisin river.

Mrs. M. A. Preston, the newspaper writer of Charlotte, who was struck by an auto at San Diego, Cal., last Thursday, died of her injuries.

Clasped in each other's arms, the bodies of Ralph and Ray Relyea, aged 11 and 13 years, respectively, were found in Coldwater river this morning. Harvey Reams, of Three Rivers, skated on thin ice and broke through. He was rescued by means of a rope, but it took some time to resuscitate him.

It is reported that Cressy L. Wilbur, chief of the department of vital statistics, will resign the first of the year. He has been in the department 13 years.

Lina E. Chauton, aged 15, of Bay City, who was married at 13 and a mother at 14, asks for the annulment of her marriage to Leonidas Chauton, aged 43.

With eight cases of typhoid fever in Lainsburg, it seems justifiable to call it an epidemic, although no deaths have occurred. There are three cases in one family.

Efforts are being made to raise \$5,000 to \$10,000 for a portrait of President Angel, to be painted by John Sargent and hung in Memorial hall, soon to be erected.

The U. of M. regents have condemned the west end of the old medical building and no more classes will be held there after the close of the first semester.

Two more skeletons have been unearthed on the farm of Henry Ohmer, three miles from Yale, while 11 others were uncovered by the shifting sands a few months ago.

The state has received from the federal government \$1,522, which is 5 per cent of the receipts of sales of public lands within this state during the year ending June 26.

Dr. Louis Gelston, of the Calumet & Hecla medical staff, is dead from overwork, caring for victims of the scarlet fever epidemic. The disease attacked him in his exhausted state.

Willie Dory, aged 10, skated on thin ice in Saginaw river and broke through, drowning in sight of several companions and despite the efforts of Willie Baird, son of Senator Baird, to save him.

Jerry Thomas, of Traverse City, was convicted in the circuit court of the premeditated attempted murder of Gilbert Olson, whom he got drunk, led to the Pere Marquette trestle, struck with a billy, robbed and threw into Broadman lake.

A married man by the name of Gorman, living in Sandstone, Jackson county, left his horse and buggy in Jackson, came to Ann Arbor by electric car, looked up some legal matters in the probate court, Wednesday, and is now missing.

Mrs. Oliver Little, the youthful St. Johns bride, is stopping at a hotel with her husband, awaiting the time when her parents will forgive her runaway marriage. The mother is said to be trying to patch up a peace, but the father is obdurate.

The \$100,000 Menominee steel foundry, which was recently blown down by a tornado, has been rebuilt and will commence operations in a few days.

T. C. Bergeron, of Calumet, has been awarded \$5,000 by the board of state auditors, to be paid at the rate of \$25 a month, for the loss of both legs when he fell off a train while returning from military camp last year.

The supreme court of the United States has entered an order advancing the argument in the 28 cases before the court involving the application of the Michigan ad valorem tax cases to the railroads of this state and set the hearing for February 19 next.

HEAVY HAND

THE CRISIS IN RUSSIA BRINGS ON DRASTIC ACTION.

THE GOVERNMENT'S POSITION PLAINLY STATED SHOWS COUNT WITTE FAVORS HARSH MEASURES.

The Desperate Remedy.

The Russian government will now resort to drastic measures to restore order in the rebellious empire, and states its position clearly in this way:

The government sincerely desired to introduce the new regime without recourse to harsh measures, but it received no support from the constitutionalists or other moderates, while the leadership of the socialists, continued their mad campaign in favor of armed rebellion and openly incited the army and the navy to mutiny.

The climax of this campaign was reached when efforts were made to attack the credit of the country in the midst of a considerable panic. Had the government allowed such efforts to go unchallenged it would have precipitated complete financial and industrial ruin.

After all, self-preservation is the first law of nature, and, besides, without the restoration of a semblance of order, it would be impossible to hold the elections for the duma. The case was a desperate one and it demanded a desperate remedy.

The government believes that the radical aims of the socialists have the sympathy of only a fraction of the population, and that if their leaders did succeed in overthrowing the monarchy and in placing their doctrines in practice, they would be swept out of existence by a counter-revolution.

Nevertheless, the government is on the horns of a dilemma, as no matter how honest its motives, in the present state of excitement they are bound to be misrepresented; while, on the other hand, if enough order can be restored to hold the elections, the cry will be set up that the government has adopted this expedient to control the elections and to capture the duma.

We have taken the only course left open to us.

More Horrors.

Report comes that mobs of Lithuanians and Estonians attacked 100 Cossacks and dragoons, the only military force stationed in Tukum. The mobs, after wild fighting, killed the soldiers to the last man, cut off their arms and legs and ripped up their bodies. The streets were strewn with bodies and dismembered parts.

The troops, in order to avoid annihilation at the hands of the insurgents, have been forced to abandon the country districts and to concentrate at Riga, Mitau and Libau.

The garrison of Tukum, consisting of a squadron of dragoons and a company of infantry, not being able to depart in time, was set upon at night and lost its commander, Lieut. Col. Mueller, and 30 men. The insurgents, evading the sentinels, penetrated the town and laid wire entanglements in front of the houses in which the wearied soldiers were quartered. They then set fire to the houses, and the troops, rushing out, were shot down from the roofs or cut up in the narrow streets. The soldiers retreated in confusion, leaving their dead. The latter were horribly mutilated by the insurgents, who gouged out their eyes and cut off their ears and hands.

Order has been re-established and the soldiers are burying the bodies of the slain and caring for the wounded.

In all 340 soldiers and peasants were killed and many were wounded. Most of the remaining population have fled to Riga, which now is the safest town in this part of Russia.

Revolting tales are told of the barbarities practiced on the German landlords who are more detested by the Letts than are the Russians. In a fight near Tukum, 14 dragoons were killed and 16 wounded. It is estimated that the insurgents lost 300 men killed.

A squadron of cavalry was ambushed and badly cut up near Groszants and limped into Mitau with its wounded.

German Families Seized.

The story of how 4,000 Lettish peasants, near Rotmershof, Livonia, defeated a company of Dragoons, who were escorting 20 German families, and took the whole company captive, has just reached St. Petersburg.

The Lett camp was strongly barricaded and the Dragoons were easily repulsed. Then the Letts took the offensive, pressing on the retreating caravan. The ammunition of the Dragoons becoming exhausted, they surrendered, with their charges, on the understanding that they would give up their guns, but would be allowed to retain their revolvers.

Another band, however, made its appearance and insisted upon taking charge of them, because the capture was effected in its territory. The members of this band then carried off the captives to Lennawarden castle, where they held a regular orgie over their victims.

Unless we despise a woman when we cease to love her, we are still a slave without consolation of intoxication.

Charles T. Prescott has arrived at the Prescott farm from Oregon with 3,236 sheep. The trip was made in 14 days, and only 25 sheep died en route.

Rep. Gardner, of Michigan, has been appointed a member of the sub-committee on District of Columbia and pensions by the house committee on appropriations.

Rep. Payne, of New York, argues that the only way congress can control insurance is through the taxing power and in discussion of the recommendations in the president's message in the house yesterday urged that the question be referred to the committee on ways and means.

PASS RATE BILL.

The visit of President Cassatt, of the Pennsylvania railroad, to Senator Elkins and the two Pennsylvania senators at the capitol Monday afternoon, coupled with the subsequent remarks of the hitherto unplaced Senator Penrose, makes the railroad rate situation much more clear according to popular opinion.

Penrose, after Cassatt went away, said he was for any rate legislation the president wanted. From this and other information that is being circulated, it is becoming apparent that the great trunk line railroads will withdraw all opposition to this legislation as soon as they are assured that a law will be passed that will effectually do away with rebates, and all other railroads will do likewise if the law will allow them to pool.

Retaliation For Exclusion.

Capt. A. C. Baker, of the cruiser Raleigh, who has been detached for several months to study commercial and political conditions in China, was a passenger on the Manchuria, arriving today from the orient, on his way to Washington to lay before the president and his advisors the results of his investigation. He says:

"It is nonsense to talk of the boycott as dying out. The commercial situation in South China is absolutely at the mercy of the gulls. There are 71 of these, and they control trade with an iron hand and they have given orders not to handle American goods. It is almost impossible to get at them. Of course, we have treaties guaranteeing the free circulation of our goods, but supposing the coolies on the docks, the carriers on the streets and everybody connected with the handling of goods refuses to touch them, what are you to do?"

"American houses in Canton are full to the roof with flour, and they cannot budge it. In the meantime, Australian merchants are chartering everything they can get their hands on to rush their inferior flour into the market to take advantage of our difficulty.

"The Chinese merchants admit that the flour is not as good as ours, but they are committed to this war on American products and are prepared to make sacrifices to carry it out.

"Not only the Australians, but the Japanese also, are taking advantage of the boycott to get our business. Cotton mills are being established in China by Japanese houses, and with cheap labor and no transportation charges they are in a position to drive us out of the field. They will also develop the steel ore of Korea and probably the oil. In this way our vast kerosene and steel business there will be taken over by the Japanese.

"The only thing that could raise the boycott would be to rescind the Chinese exclusion laws, and this, of course, will not be done. It looks as though our business relations with China were doomed. The boycott is getting worse every day there."

Burning Everything.

The Lokal Anzeiger's Koenigsberger, East Prussia, correspondent says the revolutionists are in full control of all of Courland and Livonia and that the neighboring government of Kovono is also a blaze of rebellion. Armed bands, he says, are burning everything Mitau and Riga are in flames and Libau is seriously threatened. The lives of all Germans are in the greatest danger. Everything is in an uproar from Kreutzberg, on the Duna to Kovno, and rescue parties to save the Germans are imperatively needed. Two gentlemen from the Baltic province, Baron Korff and M. von Rosenbach, who were about to take a train for Kovno, were seized by insurgents and detained as hostages.

Steamer Lost.

The German steamer Andes was 48 days overdue Tuesday from Newport News for Guanta, Venezuela, and she has been posted in Lloyd's register of shipping as lost. Since the Andes passed out of the Virginia capes, on the morning of Sunday, October 22, she has not been seen or heard of and it is announced that her owner has given her up as lost. It is believed that the vessel encountered a severe storm while passing through the West Indies and that she, with her master, Capt. Manz, and the entire crew of 22 went to the bottom.

Shanghai Rioting.

Armed guards and patrols are maintained in Shanghai to cope with a possible renewal of the disturbances. The streets are filled with rowdies. The shops are open but looting is greatly feared. The United States cruiser Baltimore has landed a force and the British cruiser Diadem sent 500 men ashore. Other warships are expected and it is reported that German troops are coming here from Kiaochau.

The Chinese newspapers say the rowdies proposed to take advantage of the mixed court dispute to attack and loot the foreign settlement.

CONDENSED NEWS.

It is reported that Marquis Ito has accepted an appointment as resident-general in Korea.

The importation of diamonds and other precious gems breaks all records this year. The total is \$37,000,000.

The bomb found on the train on which President Loubet was traveling has been found to be a harmless affair. It was made of clay, coal and paper soaked in petroleum.

No missionary work for Mrs. Murguditch G. Alexanian. When her husband asked her to go to Turkey with him to labor among the Mohammedans she balked and Alexanian says she has deserted him.

Rep. James E. Watson, of Indiana, has been chosen by the Republican house caucus as "whip" to succeed Mr. Tawney, of Minnesota.

Tom Lawson's oldest son, Arnold, is engaged to marry Mrs. Lucie Mitchell, stepdaughter of Thomas A. McIntyre, a New York banker. She is said to have a fortune in her own right.

There is a rumor afloat among the midshipmen that when congressional investigation of hazing commences all the upper class men will join in an acknowledged that they have taken part in hazing and, in a sense, defy the investigators.

LATE NEWS

CHICAGO BANKS BROKEN BY WALSH'S HEAVY LOANS.

DOWIE HANDS OVER THE RUNNING OF ZION CITY OWING TO HIS ILL HEALTH.

Chicago Bank Failures.

Action has been taken by the comptroller of the currency, William B. Ridgeley, that will compel the three large financial institutions, the Chicago national bank, the Chicago Home Savings bank and the Equitable Trust Co., dominated by John R. Walsh to wind up their affairs.

The other national banks of the city have come to the rescue, and it is declared on the authority of the clearing house association, the comptroller, and also by the officers of the Chicago National bank, that not a single depositor will lose a cent.

The difficulties of the three banks, which are practically one and the same institution, are attributed by the comptroller of the currency to the large loans made by the Chicago National bank to the railroad, coal mining and other private enterprises controlled by Mr. Walsh.

The liabilities of the two banks, and of the Equitable Trust Co. were roughly estimated at \$26,000,000. The assets of the three institutions made up about \$29,000,000 of this amount, and the directors and officials of the Chicago National bank came to the front with securities amounting to about \$5,000,000 more. This left a deficit of about \$3,000,000 to be faced, and the Chicago banks represented at the meeting declared at once that they would meet the situation, and care for the deficit. If it proved necessary to advance any more than \$3,000,000 to meet all demands the banks pledged themselves to make up the amount whatever it might be.

Dowie Breaks Down.

John Alexander Dowie, head of the christian catholic church in Zion, has given up his rule and will soon leave for one of the islands of the Caribbean Sea, there to remain until spring in hopes of regaining health.

Announcement of the abdication of the leader of Zion City was made at Zion City Sunday by Overseer John C. Speicher. Saturday Dowie made it known that he would transfer all authority over the church unreservedly to a triumvirate and leave for the south as soon as he could arrange his affairs.

Control of the church has been placed in the hands of Overseer Speicher, Judge D. V. Barnes and Deacon Alex. Granger.

"The finances of the Zion City institutions will be reorganized immediately," said Overseer Speicher, in making the announcement at Shiloh temple. It will work a radical change in the administration of financial and industrial institutions of Zion City. The change will not affect ecclesiastical, educational or political departments, but there will be a complete revolution in the industrial and financial methods."

Reorganization will be placed in the hands of C. J. Barnard and will involve a separation of the various institutions.

Engagement Announced.

Formal announcement was made Wednesday by the president and Mrs. Roosevelt of the engagement of the president's daughter, Alice Lee Roosevelt, to Nicholas Longworth, representative in congress from the first district of Ohio, one of the Cincinnati districts. Coupled with the announcement of the engagement is the additional announcement that the wedding will take place about the middle of next February. The wedding the coming spring season in the White House will go down in history as a famous one. It is expected that the ceremony will take place in the historic east room so well adapted for such festivity.

The last wedding in the east room was that of Nelly Grant and Algernon Sartoris, son of Edward Sartoris, of England, which took place on May 21, 1874. This was probably the most brilliant wedding which had then ever taken place in Washington. It was the seventh to take place in the White House.

The first one was that of Miss Maria Monroe, youngest daughter of President Monroe, who was married in March, 1820, also in the east room, to Samuel L. Gouverneur, of New York.

Elizabeth Tyler, daughter of President and Mrs. John Tyler, was married in the east room on January 31, 1842, to Mr. William Waller, of Williamsburg, Va. She was in her 19th year. This was a brilliant affair.

But the last wedding in the White House was that of President Cleveland and Miss Frances Folsom, who grew to be one of the most beloved mistresses of the White House. They were married in the blue room of the mansion on June 2, 1886. There was but a small company to witness the ceremony, the bride having come down from New York with her mother for the occasion. This was the ninth marriage under the historic roof, which has sheltered the greater number of our presidents. Only the members of Mr. Cleveland's cabinet, with their wives, and a very few personal friends of the bride and bridegroom attended. It was the first time a president had been married in the White House.

Cyrus Richardson, of West Branch, was driving a team of mules when one of them balked. In his attempt to start them one of the animals kicked him, severing an artery in his leg. He almost bled to death before he was gotten into town.

Women's suffrage has been granted by the diet of Finland.

"Shriveled ape" was the dainty epithet applied by Rep. Lamar, of Florida, to John Sharpe Williams, on the floor of the house at Washington, because Williams displaced him and Rep. Shackelford, of Missouri, from the committee on interstate commerce.



Christmas Merrymaking

Christmas, although it has long been a festival, and almost the chief festival of the Church of Christ, was not originally Christian. It is not probable that Christmas day was made Dec. 25 in order to synchronize more or less with the Roman Saturnalia. The poet Horace speaks of "the liberty of December," when slaves at the Saturnalia shook off for a brief while the fear of their masters, and spent the hours in dissipation and license. The habit of admitting domestic servants to the festivities of Christmas, on almost equal terms with their masters dates back to Pagan times. It was at Christmastide, too, about the winter solstice, that the rude Norsemen celebrated their Yule feast, and among them, too, it was a time of loud and general merriment. But in Christian countries the anniversary of Christ's birth evokes the same rejoicing in all classes and conditions of the people. Masters and servants wish each other the blessing of the season. They realize the dignity of service, and not less the obligation of authority. They feel how duty is ennobled by cheerfulness, and command is sweetened by gratitude. And the good effect of the cheerfulness inspired by Christmastide is often seen in the softening and ameliorating of the social relations for many weeks afterwards.

A Christmas Heart-to-Heart Talk

C PARTICULAR beauty of Christmas is that it is not only the day that is valuable, but all the days that go before have their special worth. Those who think least about the spiritual significance of Christmas often follow out its teaching closely, though unconsciously. The time is the time of gifts and thoughtfulness for others, and so fittingly celebrates the birth of the King, who came disguised in poverty, and began in the manger to live for, as He died for, others. Now, as of old, it is not always those who have His name most frequently upon their lips who best obey His commands. The deeds, and not the speech, declare the heart, and, since every good instinct and desire is from Him, it is a joy to remember how many millions are on His side, practising without any idea of their virtue the graces of love, unselfishness, faith, hope, and charity. The small and great economies of self-denial, the little acts of labor and patience, the thousands of good wishes, the unnumbered and unseen benevolence of this happy season, must be an incense of worship rising to Heaven and acceptable in the sight of the Love that dwells there. Christmas, 1905, is another milestone on the road of the world's progress towards righteousness.

took out of a drawer a card that was wrapped in silver paper. Just a common little penny card, it was, till she told the story: "I was a workhouse girl in my first place, and it seemed nobody cared for me. I most cried my eyes out that Christmas eve. Then in the morning one of the lodgers, a nice lady, gave me this with my name written on it. I took it down to the kitchen and read them verses—I often wish I knew her as made them—'God grant thee but a due reward, A worthy portion fair and just, And then ne'er think thy lot too hard, But work, my girl, work, hope, and trust!' I stood there and cried for joy. It seemed to put heart into me, and I'll keep that card as long as I live!"

Christmas Sunshine.

S UNSHINE and "comfort" are two rosy words expressing degrees of joyousness, and if among our friends we have any of those delightful individuals who radiate warmth and good-fellowship, we instinctively apply the terms to them. There are comparatively few persons endowed naturally with a sunny temperament, yet the world wants all the sunshine it can get. Why should not happiness be cultivated? It is happy anywhere, and increases by dividing itself. Christmas is the season for the starting of a Sunshine club. The rules are simple, but will be found productive of many smiles and much love. Members agree—1. To keep all their woes and grievances to themselves. 2. To make somebody smile at least once every day. 3. To be sunny twelve hours a day in spite of all provocations.

Do Not Forget the Lonely.

EARS ago a woman, whom some thought immersed in worldliness and frivolity, drove to a little house in a West End slum. An astonished pair of missionaries welcomed her rather frigidly and waited to hear the reason of her visit. She was embarrassed. "You see," she hesitated, "there must be dozens of people, not quite poor, who have no homes or friends near. I thought perhaps you would show me how to do something for them. I have seen the loneliest faces in the streets." "Dozens! There are hundreds!" said the missionary's wife. Then they took her with them through their daily routine in the depths of "humanity." The tolled up long flights of dark, dirty stairs, descended into cellars, and had the doors slammed in her face

by poverty-stricken women indignant at her silken attire. The missionaries wondered at her calmness, but she marvelled at the patience of the poor. The outcome was a "Christmas Day for the Lonely," and when the solitary shop assistants, clerks, and office-workers met to first carry her gifts to the poorest, and then to feast at a real Christmas table and spend a happy day together.

We cannot all afford such a quantity of happiness as that wealthy woman, though it is strange to see how much gladness can lie within the circle of a sixpence given by genuine sympathy. The Jews at their feasts leave a place and cup of wine for the prophet Elijah, in the hope that he may honor them when he again visits the earth, and at their Sabbath meal any stranger is welcome. Could we not set a place for the Lord, whose earthly birthday we celebrate, and invite a lonely stranger to be His guest?

Old Chimes, Old Loves, Old Times.

WHEN the Christmas bells ring out they ring in a flood of golden memories. The dreams of youth, the romance of spring, the poem of the bride and of the first child, the autumn of content, and now—it is Christmas again, there are empty chairs and vanished faces, the web of life's mingled sorrow and joy is fastened about us, we have known love and peace, and grief and pain, and still, thank God, it is a good world, we are glad to be alive, and able to look forward in hope to a yet brighter life beyond. Memory is a strong rope that binds the soul to good or ill. A man can never become utterly bad while there remains with him the memory of the beautiful home Christmas. A woman cannot grow callous who has the recollection of the dear old mother and the kind father who made the center and loveliness of the Christmastide holiday and merriment. Let us be kind and loving to each other, for memories all round the world are busy with past Christmases, and this one will abide with those who yet may wander across the seas.

Only Once a Year.

LET us bury old grudges and forgive as we are forgiven; scatter good wishes and thoughts far and wide; make the poor glad; cheer the aged, comfort the sick, do everything we can for everybody and God bless us everyone! Christmas comes but once a year, yet its blessings may last a lifetime.

MIDSHIPMEN'S "CODE."

The midshipmen of the first class at the naval academy, who form the court of last resort in matters relating to the "code" have, it is said, passed the word among the fourth-class men who are being called as witnesses before the board of investigation that they may answer freely and fully all questions asked them.

This is understood to mark the breakdown of all efforts of the midshipmen to defy the authorities. The board has summoned so many midshipmen of the fourth class that the upper classmen are said to have decided that it will be useless to make any further attempt to control the matter.

Touching the rumor that whole classes, as such, contemplate admitting hazing, an officer in authority today said that midshipmen would not be allowed to admit hazing in a general way, but that any of them who desired to confess to a special case would have it attended to promptly.

Midshipmen Jerome P. Kimbrough and Henry G. Cooper, Jr., were both released from the hospital Monday and will, it is thought, shortly be called before the board of investigation.

The Illinois supreme court affirmed the verdict of the lower court, which condemned Johann Hoch to death for the murder of his wife, Mrs. Maria Welcker Hoch, and the date of his execution has been set for February 23.

THE MARKETS.

Detroit.—Sellers of stock should bear in mind that the principal market days in Detroit are Thursday and Friday.

Cattle.—The quality of the receipts in this department was much better than it has been for some time and the good grades of butchers' found a ready sale.

Milk cows, springers of prime quality, sold steady. Common grades of both cows and springers were from \$3 to \$5 per head lower. Extra dry-fed steers and heifers, \$4.50 to \$5.00; steers and heifers, 1,000 to 1,200, \$4.00 to \$4.25; steers, 800 to 1,000, \$3.25 to \$3.75; steers and heifers that are fat, 500 to 700, \$3.00 to \$3.25; choice fat cows, \$3.00 to \$3.50; good fat cows, \$2.50 to \$3.00; common cows, \$2.00 to \$2.25; canners, \$1.00 to \$1.50; choice heavy bulls, \$3.00 to \$3.25; fair to good bologna bulls, \$2.50 to \$2.75; stock bulls, \$2.00 to \$2.25; choice feeding steers, 800 to 1,000, \$2.50 to \$3.00; fair feeding steers, 800 to 1,000, \$3.00 to \$3.50; choice stockers, 500 to 700, \$3.00 to \$3.25; fair stockers, 500 to 700, \$2.50 to \$3.00; 2,000; stock heifers, \$2.50 to \$2.75; milkers, large, young, medium age, \$4.00 to \$5.00; common milkers, \$1.80 to \$2.00.

The veal calf trade was fairly active and prices paid were about the same as they were a week ago. Best grades, \$7.00 to \$8.00; mediums, \$6.00 to \$6.50; common and heavy, \$5.00 to \$6.00. Sheep.—The quality was considerably better than it has been for some time, and quite a large proportion of the receipts sold at from \$7.50 to \$8.00. Best grades, \$7.50 to \$8.00; fair to good lambs, \$7.00 to \$7.50; light to common lambs, \$5.00 to \$5.50; fair to good butcher sheep, \$4.50 to \$5.00; culls and common, \$4.00 to \$4.50. Hogs.—Market by slack demand. Light to good butchers, \$4.80 to \$5.25; pigs, \$4.50 to \$4.75; light Yorkers, \$4.50 to \$4.75; stags, \$4.00 to \$4.50; one-third off.

Chicago.—Steers, \$4.10 to \$4.40; stockers and feeders, \$4.00 to \$4.50; cows and canners, \$1.85 to \$4; bulls, \$2.60 to \$4; heifers, \$2.40 to \$4.10; calves, \$3.25 to \$4.75. Hogs.—Shipping and selected, \$4.32 to \$4.50; mixed and heavy, \$3.75 to \$4.50; 4.25 to 4.50; light grades, \$4.75 to \$4.90; pigs and roughs, \$2.50 to \$4.70. Sheep and lambs.—Firm; sheep, \$3.75 to \$4; lambs, \$5 to \$6.

East Buffalo.—Best export steers, \$4.75 to \$5; one load of lightweight cattle, prime, sold at \$5.60, this being the top of the market; best 1,200 lb. steers, shipping steers, \$4.40 to \$4.60; best 1,000 to 1,100-lb. do, \$4.15 to \$4.40; best fat cows, \$3.60 to \$3.80; fair to good, \$2.80 to \$3.25; trimmers, \$1.75 to \$2; best 1,000 lb. heifers, \$3.50 to \$4; medium heifers, \$3.25 to \$3.50; common stock heifers, \$2.50 to \$2.75; best feeders, \$4.40 to \$4.50; best yearling steers, \$3.80 to \$4.00; common stock heifers, \$3.50 to \$3.75; bologna bulls, \$3.25 to \$3.50; milkers sold at steady last week's prices and springers were dull and from \$3 to \$5 lower. Cattle impossible to sell late springers for anything above beef prices; would not advise shipping them; good to extra, \$4.00 to \$4.50; medium to good, \$3.50 to \$3.75; cull to common, \$4.00 to \$4.50; wethers, \$5.75 to \$6; yearlings, \$6.25 to \$6.75.

Hogs.—Receipts, 25,000; strong; all grades, \$2 to closed steady. Sheep.—Top lambs, \$7.25 to \$7.90; fair to good, \$7.25 to \$7.60; cull to common, \$7.00 to \$7.50; best sheep, \$3.50 to \$3.75; cull to common, \$4.00 to \$4.50; wethers, \$5.75 to \$6; yearlings, \$6.25 to \$6.75.

Grain, Etc. Chicago.—Cash quotations: No. 2 spring wheat, \$1.85 to \$1.87; No. 3, \$2.00 to \$2.02; No. 4, \$1.85 to \$1.87; No. 5, \$1.80 to \$1.82; No. 6, \$1.75 to \$1.77; No. 7, \$1.70 to \$1.72; No. 8, \$1.65 to \$1.67; No. 9, \$1.60 to \$1.62; No. 10, \$1.55 to \$1.57; No. 11, \$1.50 to \$1.52; No. 12, \$1.45 to \$1.47; No. 13, \$1.40 to \$1.42; No. 14, \$1.35 to \$1.37; No. 15, \$1.30 to \$1.32; No. 16, \$1.25 to \$1.27; No. 17, \$1.20 to \$1.22; No. 18, \$1.15 to \$1.17; No. 19, \$1.10 to \$1.12; No. 20, \$1.05 to \$1.07; No. 21, \$1.00 to \$1.02; No. 22, \$0.95 to \$0.97; No. 23, \$0.90 to \$0.92; No. 24, \$0.85 to \$0.87; No. 25, \$0.80 to \$0.82; No. 26, \$0.75 to \$0.77; No. 27, \$0.70 to \$0.72; No. 28, \$0.65 to \$0.67; No. 29, \$0.60 to \$0.62; No. 30, \$0.55 to \$0.57; No. 31, \$0.50 to \$0.52; No. 32, \$0.45 to \$0.47; No. 33, \$0.40 to \$0.42; No. 34, \$0.35 to \$0.37; No. 35, \$0.30 to \$0.32; No. 36, \$0.25 to \$0.27; No. 37, \$0.20 to \$0.22; No. 38, \$0.15 to \$0.17; No. 39, \$0.10 to \$0.12; No. 40, \$0.05 to \$0.07; No. 41, \$0.00 to \$0.02; No. 42, \$0.00 to \$0.02; No. 43, \$0.00 to \$0.02; No. 44, \$0.00 to \$0.02; No. 45, \$0.00 to \$0.02; No. 46, \$0.00 to \$0.02; No. 47, \$0.00 to \$0.02; No. 48, \$0.00 to \$0.02; No. 49, \$0.00 to \$0.02; No. 50, \$0.00 to \$0.02.

Detroit.—Wheat—No. 1 white, 87c; No. 2 red spot, 1 car at \$8.34-4, 1 car at \$8.12-3; No. 3 red, 1 car at \$8.14-3; No. 4 red, 1 car at \$8.14-3; No. 5 red, 1 car at \$8.14-3; No. 6 red, 1 car at \$8.14-3; No. 7 red, 1 car at \$8.14-3; No. 8 red, 1 car at \$8.14-3; No. 9 red, 1 car at \$8.14-3; No. 10 red, 1 car at \$8.14-3; No. 11 red, 1 car at \$8.14-3; No. 12 red, 1 car at \$8.14-3; No. 13 red, 1 car at \$8.14-3; No. 14 red, 1 car at \$8.14-3; No. 15 red, 1 car at \$8.14-3; No. 16 red, 1 car at \$8.14-3; No. 17 red, 1 car at \$8.14-3; No. 18 red, 1 car at \$8.14-3; No. 19 red, 1 car at \$8.14-3; No. 20 red, 1 car at \$8.14-3; No. 21 red, 1 car at \$8.14-3; No. 22 red, 1 car at \$8.14-3; No. 23 red, 1 car at \$8.14-3; No. 24 red, 1 car at \$8.14-3; No. 25 red, 1 car at \$8.14-3; No. 26 red, 1 car at \$8.14-3; No. 27 red, 1 car at \$8.14-3; No. 28 red, 1 car at \$8.14-3; No. 29 red, 1 car at \$8.14-3; No. 30 red, 1 car at \$8.14-3; No. 31 red, 1 car at \$8.14-3; No. 32 red, 1 car at \$8.14-3; No. 33 red, 1 car at \$8.14-3; No. 34 red, 1 car at \$8.14-3; No. 35 red, 1 car at \$8.14-3; No. 36 red, 1 car at \$8.14-3; No. 37 red, 1 car at \$8.14-3; No. 38 red, 1 car at \$8.14-3; No. 39 red, 1 car at \$8.14-3; No. 40 red, 1 car at \$8.14-3; No. 41 red, 1 car at \$8.14-3; No. 42 red, 1 car at \$8.14-3; No. 43 red, 1 car at \$8.14-3; No. 44 red, 1 car at \$8.14-3; No. 45 red, 1 car at \$8.14-3; No. 46 red, 1 car at \$8.14-3; No. 47 red, 1 car at \$8.14-3; No. 48 red, 1 car at \$8.14-3; No. 49 red, 1 car at \$8.14-3; No. 50 red, 1 car at \$8.14-3.

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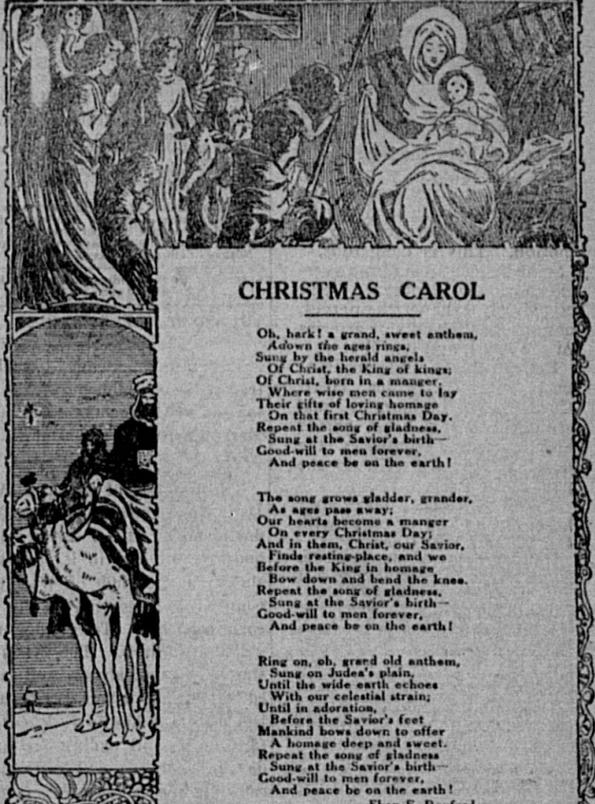
Beans—December, 1 car at \$1.55; January, \$1.56 bid; March, 1 car at \$1.62; 1 car at \$1.63 per bu.

AMUSEMENTS IN DETROIT. Week Ending Dec. 23. TEMPLE THEATER AND WONDERLAND.—Afternoons 2:15, 10c to 25c; Evenings 8:15, 10c to 30c. Vassar Girls. LYCEUM.—Prices 15-25-35-50-75c. Mats. Wed. and Sat. Ford & Gehring in "Lovers and Lunatics." WHITNEY.—Reveries 10-20-30c. Mats. 10-15-25c. "Tracked Around the World." LAFAYETTE THEATER.—Prices \$1.50, \$1.00, 75c and 50c. Mats. Wed. and Saturday. "Brown's in Town."

"Bill" Sewall, the famous guide of Island Falls, Me., and friend of President Roosevelt, has been nominated by the president for collector of customs in the district of Aroostock.

Senator Gov. La Follette, of Wisconsin, hurt at having his pet legislative measures jarred at the capital, is said to be considering resigning his seat in the senate and retaining his gubernatorial job.

Speaker Cannon keeps a memorandum in his trousers pocket, upon which to tabulate requests of his acquaintances. It is noticed that when he fails to make an entry in it, the caller has pleaded in vain.



CHRISTMAS CAROL

Oh, hark! a grand, sweet anthem,
Adown the ages rings,
Sung by the herald angels
Of Christ, the King of kings;
Of Christ, born in a manger,
Where wise men came to lay
Their gifts of loving homage
On that first Christmas Day.
Repeat the song of gladness,
Sung at the Savior's birth—
Good-will to men forever,
And peace be on the earth!

The song grows gladder, grander,
As ages pass away;
Our hearts become a manger
On every Christmas Day,
And in them, Christ, our Savior,
Finds resting-place, and we
Before the King in homage,
Bow down and bend the knee.
Repeat the song of gladness,
Sung at the Savior's birth—
Good-will to men forever,
And peace be on the earth!

Ring on, oh, grand old anthem,
Sung on Judea's plain,
Until the wide earth echoes
With our celestial strain;
Until in adoration,
Before the Savior's feet
Mankind bows down to offer
A homage deep and sweet.
Repeat the song of gladness,
Sung at the Savior's birth—
Good-will to men forever,
And peace be on the earth!

—Eben E. Rexford.

Suggested by the Season

Of all beautiful legends, of all beautiful verse, of all stories told in all the life of the whole world, there is no tale so wondrously beautiful as the story of the Christ-child. Every man and every woman must recall those long-ago, faraway days when first the story was told to them, the story of the little babe in the manger, of the star of Bethlehem, with its rain of fire, the shepherds, the wise men and the doings of the angels. And with this memory come back other memories, mental visions of those whom we loved and who have passed away; of all the sweet joys of childhood, when the world was a playground instead of a workshop; of fond dreams and childish disappointments. Christmas day is a time when we must pause on the journey and rest by the wayside, savoring the golden hours for reverie and tasting the sweets of generosity and tender charity.

By all manner of judgment and beliefs we must concede that, so far as doing good is concerned, all days should be Christmas. To bestow neckties on Dec. 25, and cross words all the other 364 days of the year is to be like the common sinner who cheats his neighbor during the week and prays most energetically on the Sabbath.

Let us not confine our gifts to material things, but open up our hearts and give freely of their great stores. There's many a woman who, receiving a costly gift from husband or father, would only too gladly exchange it for some sweet expression of his fondness and affection. Many a mother from whom her children have grown away would prefer a caress, one endearing word, a kiss of love, to all the trinkets and baubles and gifts in the shops.

Isn't the gift, it's the love and thoughtfulness that prompt it. The woman who gives because she feels it a duty is practicing deceit, and belittling herself. If one wishes not to bestow a holiday remembrance let one at least have the courage of one's feelings and sentiments and be true and honest about it. No human soul wants a present that is given grudgingly.

According to our way of thinking it is a beautiful thing that once a year, one may have the privilege of doing something nice for those to whom one is devoted.

The pleasure is so great that, on Dec. 26 one should decide to put a little of the Christmas spirit into daily existence.

Perhaps you don't know it, but it is true nevertheless that the more you give the more you will have. There is certainly some great, wonderful power that takes away from those who are grasping and selfish, and who help along all those whose hearts swing true.

There is such a keen pleasure in doing for others that it inspires one to work, to greater endeavor and to better purposes and higher ambitions. What is there in other earthly things half so satisfying?

The woman who buys pretty clothes has the satisfaction of looking at her reflection in a mirror, but this satisfaction is as shadowy, as flitting, as unreal as the vision she beholds. The woman who fills her house with beautiful furnishings rejoices for a certain time and then the beautiful things lose in interest. The woman whose bank account grows with the years knows that she is safe from poverty, but you can't get any more heart warmth out of a bank book than if it were an icicle.

But how about the woman whose mind is running over with thoughtfulness for others, who is decent and kind to her cook, who is considerate of the aged, eager to help the needy and always the fine, splendid helper and friend to all who know her?

Let me tell you something. It is in her heart that you will find genuine contentment. No matter what horrible anxieties she has suffered, what dreadful troubles she has dragged wearily through, what pain and cares have been hers, she is the one who knows the calm, sweet comfort that comes when she looks out into a gray sky and realizes that she has done good to some one, that she has brought a smile to quivering lips, a light to discouraged eyes, life to a heart without hope.

She doesn't have to wait until Christmas. Every day is that—and more—to her.

There is a woman I know, and she had nothing at all—father, mother, brother or sister or even a home. But she had something else that lots of people have not, and that is courage—and she was only a little slip of a girl, too. But she worked very hard for quite a number of long years, and now she has many things which she has always wanted—little luxuries that every woman loves—pretty things in her home and pretty things to wear.

The other day in a shopping crowd she met another woman who, like herself, had carved a little niche in the world of hard work, and this other woman said:

"Aren't you proud of yourself for having accomplished something? I am."

The first woman was silent for a moment. Then she said:

"No, I am not proud of myself, I can't be—yet. I've done so very little compared with what I want to do, and learned so little when I wished to learn so much. But I am tremendously happy that when I want to buy some little comfort for somebody or send a box of flowers to somebody or give some little child a happiness it is in my power to do so. My years of work have been worth this mighty sweet reward."

Won't you try to let a little more of the holy spirit of the hour sink into your soul, and won't you remember that your stay and mine and your neighbor's and everybody's is dreadfully limited here—in this pleasant vale of smiles and laughter? There's no telling where any of us will be this time next year, so live this Christmas as happily and as generously as you can.

There's something else, too, if you are going to help a little child hang up a tiny stocking, and if you are now answering all sorts of questions about Santa Claus and chimneys and reindeers and if, on Christmas Eve, you go to a little bedside and kiss the sweetest little lips in all the world, fall upon your knees and thank God, for you are blessed!

A Merry Christmas to you all.

"Yule" is Scandinavian.

The word "Yule" has in reality nothing to do with Christmas. It is an old Scandinavian word, signifying the winter solstice, which was always kept as a feast by the heathen Goths.

Old Irish Superstition.

It is an old Irish superstition that gold should not be paid away on Christmas day, nor silver lent.

Christmas Greeting

Let the bells ring out, hang up the mistletoe, bring on the smoking turkey, and join in the frolics of the youngsters—anything, everything, so that the day be merry and all hearts the lighter because Christ the Lord was born. Forget for the time the cares of business, the pressure of hard times, the threatening future. Lock up the family skeleton and with it all frowns and harsh words, and the petty tyrannies and jealousies of common days. If you can lose the key of the closet, so much the better. If not, even the brief respite from ugly cares will leave its benediction in your heart.

Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me

whom an orange and a picture book would be a forest of heaven. Play Santa Claus to some child, and you will find your Merry Christmas in the reflection of its innocent delight; or carry your greeting and your gift to some aged and lonely creature whose last Christmas it will be on earth, and earn a blessing that will repay your effort an hundredfold.

to entice, seek out the cheerless hearth of some less fortunate brother. There are many forlorn little ones to

There is, happily, no monopoly of the joys of Christmas. If they do not come to us, we can go to them. We have but to open our hearts and stretch out our hands and the messengers of peace will come gladly trooping towards us. It will be our own fault if we do not, each and all, have A Merry Christmas.

Every Heart-Ache

Every pain in the breast, difficult breathing, palpitation, fluttering or dizzy spell means that your heart is straining itself in its effort to keep in motion. This is dangerous.

Some sudden strain from over-exertion or excitement will completely exhaust the nerves, or rupture the walls or arteries of the heart, and it will stop.

Relieve this terrible strain at once with Dr. Miles' Heart Cure. It invigorates and strengthens the heart nerves and muscles, stimulates the heart action, and relieves the pain and misery.

Take no chances; make your heart strong and vigorous with Dr. Miles' Heart Cure.

"I suffered terribly with heart disease. I have been treated by different physicians for my trouble without results. I went to a physician in Memphis, who claimed that I had dropsy of the heart. He put the X-ray on me, and in connection with his medicine he came near making a finish of me. Some time before this a Mr. Young of St. Louis, who I concluded to try it, and am pleased to say three bottles cured me."

Dr. Miles' Heart Cure is sold by your druggist, who will guarantee that the first bottle will benefit. If it fails he will refund your money. Miles Medical Co., Elkhart, Ind.

TIME TABLES.

D., Y., A. A. & J. RY

Taking effect Nov. 28, 1904.

Local car leaves Chelsea for Detroit at 6:30 a. m. and every two hours thereafter until 10:30 p. m.

Special car leaves Chelsea for Detroit at 7:25 a. m. and every two hours thereafter to 9:20 p. m.

Local car leaves Chelsea for Jackson at 7:50 a. m. and every two hours thereafter until 11:50 p. m.

Special car leaves Chelsea for Jackson at 8:50 a. m. and every two hours thereafter until 10:50 p. m.

Special cars carry a Blue Sign by day and a Blue Light by night.

Special cars for the accommodation of private parties may be arranged for at the Manager's office, Ypsilanti.

Cars run on Standard time.

On Sundays cars leave terminals one hour later.

SALINE DIVISION.

Cars leave Ypsilanti daily, except Sunday at 6:15, 8:15, 10:15 a. m., 12:15, 2:15, 4:15, 6:15, 8:15, 11:15 p. m.

Cars leave Ypsilanti Sundays at 6:45, 8:15, 9:45, 11:45 a. m., 1:45, 3:45, 5:45, 7:45, 9:45 p. m.

A special car will be run from Ypsilanti to Saline at 12:15 midnight, on arrival of theater car from Detroit, for special parties of ten or more, on short notice and without extra charge.

Jackson & Battle Creek Traction Co.

For Battle Creek & Kalamazoo In Effect May 14, 1905.

Limited Cars West from Jackson—7:45 a. m., 10:00 a. m., 12 noon, 2 p. m., 4 p. m., 6 p. m., 7:50 p. m., 9:45 p. m.

Local Cars West—6:40 a. m., 9:25 a. m., 11:30 a. m., 1:30 p. m., 3:30 p. m., 5:30 p. m., 6:55 p. m., 8:30 p. m., 11:30 p. m.

MICHIGAN CENTRAL

"The Niagara Falls Route."

Time table taking effect Nov. 5, 1905.

90th MERIDIAN TIME.

Passengers trains on the Michigan Central Railroad will leave Chelsea station as follows:

GOING EAST.

No. 6—Detroit Night Express... 5:38 A.M.

No. 36—Atlantic Express... 7:52 A.M.

No. 12—Grand Rapids Express... 10:40 A.M.

No. 2—Mail and Express... 3:37 P.M.

GOING WEST.

No. 9—Det., Chi., & G. R. Lim... 8:25 A.M.

No. 5—Mail and Express... 9:00 A.M.

No. 13—Grand Rapids Express... 6:45 P.M.

No. 37—Pacific Express... 10:52 P.M.

*Stop on signal only.

W. T. GIACQUE, Agent, Chelsea.

O. W. RUGGLES, General Passenger and Ticket Agent, Chicago.



TIME TABLE

Taking effect Sept. 24, 1905.

Trains leave Ann Arbor by Central Standard time.

SOUTH.

No. 6. 7:20 A.M.

No. 2. 11:35 A.M.

No. 4. 7:51 P.M.

No. 102. 6:30 P.M.

NORTH.

No. 1. 9:05 A.M.

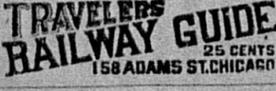
No. 3. 4:35 P.M.

No. 5. 12:35 P.M.

No. 101. 9:05 A.M.

Trains Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4 through daily except Sunday. No. 101 runs Sunday only between Toledo and Lakeland, and No. 102 Sunday only between Lakeland and Toledo.

J. J. KIRBY, G. P. A.



PILES and "Hermil" Salve are incompatible. The disease must leave when you use "Hermil" Salve. Book free. 25 & 50 cents. All druggists. Hermit Remedy Company, Chicago.

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21, 1905.

The Herald extends to all its readers the compliments of the season and wishes them one and all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

The first issue of the Ann Arbor Daily News reached our desk Monday evening. It is a seven column quarto paper and in its salutatory states that the whole of Washtenaw county is to be covered by its paid correspondents. Telegraphic news will also be given. The News has started in a field already well covered by two daily papers, besides a college daily, and has its work cut out for a successful ending for many days to come. It will be Republican in politics.

Clarence Bradish and John McKenna, two prisoners from Detroit, were taken to the state prison at Jackson Wednesday of last week, by Detroit officers, in such a beastly state of intoxication that one of them could not walk. Such a condition of affairs could not possibly happen in any other country or with officers chosen in any other way than ours are. Officers who will allow prisoners in their charge to obtain liquor at all, let alone get intoxicated, should be relieved of their positions forthwith.

Commencing Monday, Dec. 17, I will make each person who pays me \$2.50, either for work that has been done or for new work, a present of one of the finest tooth brushes that is manufactured. This tooth brush is a combination of bristles and good material and is called the "Prophylactic." The ordinary brush is made to clean the teeth with, but the "Prophylactic" is not only made for that purpose, but it does the work. Those who are unfortunate enough to be in need of artificial teeth will receive a brush of the same make for cleaning that necessity, by complying with the above proposition. This will continue for one month.

A. L. STREGER, D. D. S.

Chelsea Lodge, No. 44, K. of P.

The officers of the above lodge for the year 1906 were elected at a special convention held last evening. After the election a substantial lunch was enjoyed by all present. The officers are as follows:

C. C.—Geo. A. BeGele.

V. C.—Andros Guile.

Prelate—Thos. Spear.

M. of W.—Otto D. Luick.

K. of R. & S.—Wm. Bacon.

M. of F.—Scott Shell.

M. of E.—W. T. Schnaitman.

M. A.—Arlington Guerin.

I. G.—John Grau.

O. G.—E. E. Shaver.

Trustee—C. W. Maroney.

Representative to Grand Lodge—B. B. Turnbull.

Alternate—Geo. A. BeGele.

Notice.

Under Ordinance No. 5 of this village, it is against the law to throw ashes in the street and all parties who continue this practice will be prosecuted.

HOWARD F. BROOKS,

Marshal.

G. A. R. Officers for 1906.

R. P. Carpenter Post, No. 41, G. A. R., held its annual meeting Wednesday evening, Dec. 13 and elected the following officers for the ensuing year:

Commander—G. J. Crowell.

Senior Vice Commander—Rush Green.

Junior Vice Commander—J. G. Schmidt.

Adjutant—T. E. Wood.

Quartermaster—J. A. Palmer.

Surgeon—A. W. Chapman.

Chaplain—A. N. Morton.

Officer of the Day—E. L. Negus.

Officer of the Guard—John Strable.

Sergeant Major—J. F. Waltrous.

Quartermaster Sergeant—G. W. Richards.

Delegate to State Encampment—A. W. Chapman.

Alternate—E. R. Doane.

How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Props., Toledo, O.

We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligations made by their firm.

WALDO, KINNAN & MARVIN, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Testimonials sent free. Price 75c per bottle. Sold by all druggists. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

LAWSUIT OVER A FARM.

Peter Gorman Made Defendant in a Chancery Suit.

A bill in chancery has been filed in the circuit court against Peter Hendrick, of Saginaw, and Peter Gorman, of Lyndon. The bill seeks to set aside conveyances made by Geo. K. Harder, of the bankrupt firm of Geo. K. Harder & Co., of Eaton Rapids, to his uncle, Peter Hendrick, and by him to Peter Gorman, of 80 acres of land in Lyndon, adjoining Mr. Gorman's homestead. The plaintiff, J. H. Weatherwax, trustee of the estate of the bankrupt company, claims that Harder did not owe his uncle, Peter Hendrick, anything and that the mortgage and conveyances were fraudulent and simply given to beat creditors.

Mr. Gorman purchased the land in good faith and the subsequent developments are very annoying to him as he was an entirely innocent party and knew nothing of what had transpired prior to his purchase of the property, all statements to the contrary, notwithstanding.

Remember the date of the New Year's dance at the Dexter opera house, Monday, January 1. Fischer's Ann Arbor Orchestra.

MOTORMAN IS KILLED.

Ben Barton, a D. Y. A. A. & J. Employee Run Over.

Ben Barton, a motorman on the D. Y. A. A. & J., was killed at Dearborn about 10 o'clock Sunday night. As he takes the first run out in the morning he slept in the power house. At the time he was killed he was returning from a visit to his wife and little daughter who live about two miles from the power house.

It is supposed that he was running to catch an east bound car about 10 rods east of the waiting room in Dearborn, when he slipped and went head first in front of the hind truck of the car, the wheels passing over his head and killing him instantly. The west bound car which met at Dearborn discovered the body, but not in time to stop until the car had passed over his legs. At that time the head lay away from the tracks.

Shot in the Back.

W. M. Sherman, of Cushing, Me., was shot in the back, hourly, day and night, for full three months; by the shooting, tearing and racking pains of Kidney Inflammation. He writes: "I used three bottles of Electric Bitters and know that they have permanently cured me, for I feel like a new man. I recommend this great tonic medicine to all sufferers from kidney trouble." It's just as sure to relieve and cure malaria and all stomach and liver complaints, general debility and female weaknesses. Guaranteed by Bank Drug Store; price 50c.

Open Grange Meeting.

Lafayette Grange will hold an open meeting at the Lima M. E. church parlor, Saturday, Jan. 6, for the purpose of installing officers. An oyster dinner will be served at noon, following which will be installation and lecturer's program. All interested in agricultural pursuits are cordially invited.

Anyone caring to partake of the dinner can do so by furnishing something for the general table. The refreshment committee are Mrs. F. H. Sweetland and Mrs. G. T. English.

Subject for the lecture hour: "What can be done by farmers of this locality to develop the resources of their farms in the most profitable manner."

Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea is simply liquid electricity. It goes to every part of the body, bringing new blood, new strength and new vigor. It makes you well and keeps you well. 35c at the Bank Drug Store.

Heydlauff-Oesterle.

A quiet family wedding took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Oesterle in Sylvan last Thursday evening, Dec. 14, when their daughter Miss Katherine Oesterle was united in marriage with Mr. Christian Heydlauff in the presence of a company of their relatives. The ceremony was performed by Rev. A. A. Schoen. At its close a bountiful wedding supper was served which was heartily enjoyed by all.

Mr. and Mrs. Heydlauff have gone to housekeeping on his farm near Sylvan Center.

Clear thinking, decisive action, vim and vigor of body and mind, the sparkle of life, comes to all who use Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea. 35c, tea or tablets, at the Bank Drug Store.

MORE LOCAL.

The abutments for the three bridges across the Luick drain in Lima have all been completed.

The G. A. R. national encampment will be held next year in Minneapolis, beginning August 13th.

L. Whitney Watkins, of Manchester, is the new president of the State Association of Farmers' Clubs.

The annual convention of the Michigan Beekeepers association will be held in Jackson Feb. 1 and 2, 1906. Sixty delegates are expected to be present.

Judge Kinne will read a paper on the intermediate sentence law before the annual gathering of the circuit judges of the state in Lansing, December 27th.

The Delineator begins the New Year with an attractive cover and a display of all that is new in the fashion world, to say nothing of the many features of literary excellence.

Milan Leader: One of the latest get-rich-quick schemes is to rent a monkey and a hand organ and start out for yourself. Italians in the business in Detroit claim they can make \$5 an hour from street contributions.

The Manchester Enterprise says: "A dealer in skunk skins does not have to hang out his sign." There must have been a number of deals in these "scented pelts," to judge by the aroma that has pervaded this village during the past week or more.

St. Agnes Sodality Officers.

St. Agnes Sodality of the Church of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart elected officers for the ensuing year last Sunday as follows:

Prefect—Miss Helen Burg.

1st Assistant—Miss Sabina Barthel.

2nd Assistant—Miss Nellie Savage.

Secretary—Miss Josephine Foster.

Asst. Secretary—Miss Mabel Raffrey.

Treasurer—Miss Magdalena Miller.

Organist—Miss Mary Clark.

Reader—Miss Alice Savage.

Marshals—Misses Harriet Burg and Anna Eisele.

Consultors—Misses Margaret Miller, Margaret Hagerty, Rose Zinke, Helen Wade, Barbara Schwikerath, Evelyn M. Per.

School Report.

Report of school in District No. 14, Lyndon, for the month ending Dec. 1st. The following have an average standing of 95: Roland McKune and Irene Clark; 90, Hattie and George Stofer, Hilda, Noble and Bernice Barton, Margaret and Lawrence Shanahan, Herbert McKune and Gertrude Clark; 85, Cecelia and Raymond McKune, Gladys and Ileen Shanahan, Guy Barton and Harry Stofer. Roland McKune, Irene and Gertrude Clark, Bernice Barton, Hattie and Harry Stofer did not misspell a work in written spelling during the month. Cecelia and Raymond McKune and Lawrence Shanahan missing but one. Irene Clark, Margaret Shanahan and Guy Barton were neither absent or tardy during the month.

MARGARET YOUNG, Teacher.

EVER WATCHFUL

A Little Care Will Save Many Readers Future Trouble.

Watch the kidney secretions.

See that they have the amber hue of health.

The discharges not excessive or infrequent.

Contain no "brick-dust like" sediment.

Doan's Kidney Pills will do this for you.

They watch the kidneys and cure them when they are sick.

Mr. Milton A. Hogue, residing at 157 Taylor St., Coldwater, Mich., Prop. of the barber shop on Monroe St., says: "For eighteen months I had pains through my loins and kidneys. It was such a heavy dull aching that I could not rest comfortably, and felt about as tired in the morning as at night. My back became so lame when at work that it was torture for me to stoop or lift anything heavy, the kidney secretions were irregular, highly colored, and I was feeling miserable all the time. I saw Doan's Kidney Pills recommended so emphatically by prominent people that I concluded to test them, so I procured a box. I could feel the good effect at once. I was amazed at the quickness with which all the aches and pains left me and how soon the kidney secretions became natural. I consider Doan's Kidney Pills worth their weight in gold."

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Extra choice Candied Citron, 20c a lb
Lemon Peel, 17c a lb
Orange Peel, 16c a lb
Remember our "Excelo" Coffee, 19c a lb

Special Drive in Candy at 8c a lb.

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Our Motto:

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We have the best line of watches ever shown in Chelsea. They all have the best standard movements and guaranteed cases. Our Jewelry stock is very complete and contains some very pretty things for Holiday Presents. Our prices are right and we guarantee everything to give satisfaction. Come early and make a good selection.

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All kinds,
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Pure Linen Hemstitched, at 5 cents
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For Women or Men,
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All kinds from a 15 ct Checked Gingham to a
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Buy Wool Blankets and Comforters

For Christmas. Very nice, soft, fluffy, Pure Wool
Blankets at \$6.00. Worth \$7.00

Don't forget our Rug Room also Curtains,
when looking for Christmas Presents.

This store will be closed all day Christmas

H. S. HOLMES MERCANTILE CO.

Of Local Interest.

J. P. Wood & Co.'s bean house
will be shut down all next week.

Lee Foster is now employed in
Mummary's drug store, Ann Arbor.

Barney Middlebrook is now in the
employ of J. G. Adrion as meat cutter
in his market.

The Chelsea schools close tomorrow
for the Christmas vacation and
will remain closed until Tuesday,
January 2nd.

Today is the shortest day of the
year. It will not be long now before
you will see an appreciable difference
in the daylight.

Chelsea butchers have received
notice from the state food department
that after Jan. 1st they must
not use coloring substances in their
sausages.

E. K. White has rented the Hammond
homestead, corner East and
West Middle streets, and will move
his family here from Greensburg,
Ind., about Jan. 1.

C. H. Kempf has sold his large
wool warehouse on the north side
of the Michigan Central tracks, to
the Glazier Stove Co. who will use
it as a storehouse for their stoves.

Dancing parties will be held at
Granger's Academy, Ann Arbor,
Christmas and New Year's nights.
Granger's orchestra will furnish a
special program of music for the
occasions.

Wm. J. Benerle the contractor
and builder, of Freedom, reports the
building trade as having been wonderfully
good this year, with the prospects
for next year equally encouraging.

A. E. Shaw, of Ann Arbor, has let
the contract for his new cottage at
Cavanaugh Lake. It is to be built
on the ground between Geo. A. Be-
Gole's cottage and that of Ranney
Scott.

Rev. W. P. Considine celebrated
mass at the residence of Mrs. Joseph
Wilson in Grass Lake last Tuesday
morning. The service was well at-
tended by the Catholics of the neighborhood.

A meeting of the Washtenaw
county association of teachers, school
officers and patrons will be held in
the court house, Ann Arbor, Jan. 28,
1906. A good program has been ar-
ranged for the meeting.

Miss Matilda Hummel, who is
teaching the school in District No. 7
Manchester, has Christmas exercises,
a tree and a Santa Claus at her
school tomorrow afternoon to glad-
den the hearts of her pupils.

The board of directors of the
Kempf Commercial & Savings Bank
have declared a semi-annual divid-
end of 4 per cent on the capital
stock, payable Jan. 1. They have also
added \$1,000 to the surplus fund.

Although it is a "green" winter
our merchants have been experiencing
a good Christmas trade. The past
two days have been better than
the previous ones and it is expected
that Friday and Saturday will be
bummers.

A meeting of the second district
congressional committee is to be
held soon to put in motion the ma-
chinery for the nomination of the
next republican congressional can-
didate by primary election instead of
by a delegate convention.

The biennial reviews of the great
camp and the great hive of the Mod-
ern Maccabees will be held in Port
Huron June 12, it is thought. The
tents and hives are now voting on
the location. The new temple will
be dedicated on that date.

Peter Dederichs, architect, of De-
troit, was in town Monday consult-
ing with the committee which has
in charge the erection of the new
school for the parish of Our Lady of
the Sacred Heart. He will draw up
plans and specifications which will
be submitted to the committee at a
later date.

The Foster Bros. Hardware and
Furniture Co. opened their new
store at Mt. Pleasant Saturday, Dec.
9th. A band from the Indian school
located there furnished the music
for the occasion. The new store is
a fine brick and steel building built
to replace one destroyed by fire some
months ago. The Fosters were
former Chelsea boys and the new
stores so auspiciously opened were
built under the superintendence of
John P. Foster, of this place.

There will be three eclipses of the
sun in 1906 and two of the moon.

Arthur Hunter has returned to
his old love and is again in the em-
ploy of R. A. Snyder.

Charles Carpenter and family have
moved back to Chelsea from Hamil-
ton, Ont., and will reside here.

S. A. Mapes' undertaking rooms
look very neat and tasteful since
they underwent their repapering
and repainting.

John Kantlehner is building a
new frame house on the lots on
South Main street, recently pur-
chased from C. Klein.

Unless a game is arranged with
an eastern football team, there will
be no Thanksgiving game at Ferry
Field, Ann Arbor, in 1906.

Washtenaw Lodge, F. & A. M. of
Dexter, expect to install their new
officers in their new temple next
Wednesday evening, Dec. 27.

John Schieferstein, of Dexter, is
preparing to build a residence on
the lot on South Main street, which
he purchased from C. Klein.

Fischer's full orchestra, with
drums and traps, will furnish the
music at the New Year's ball at the
Dexter opera house, Monday even-
ing, Jan. 1.

The missionary meeting of the De-
troit conference of the M. E. church
will be held in Flint in March, 1906.
Each church is entitled to send five
delegates, which will make a total of
1,000.

Chelsea Tent, K. O. T. M. M., and
Columbia Hive, L. O. T. M. M., are
arranging for a joint public installa-
tion of officers to be held in the
opera house, Tuesday evening, Jan.
15, 1906.

There are four more saloons in
Washtenaw county this year than
there were in 1904. The total
amount paid by saloonkeepers to the
county treasurer this year for licenses
was \$40,674.97.

The Herald would make an ap-
preciated Christmas present to ab-
sent friends—good as 52 letters.
Call in and subscribe for that friend
far away who would like to hear
from home once a week.

Work on the Toledo-Ann Arbor
electric railroad has ceased for the
present on account of a lack of
funds, caused by a stringency in the
money market. That seems to be a
common complaint with electric
road building.

Letters received by relatives from
Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Killmer, who
went to California a short time ago,
state that Mr. Killmer's health is
somewhat improved although he is
not able to work. They do not ex-
pect to stay in California however,
but will later go to Colorado.

Philip Duffy, an ex-supervisor of
Northfield, ex-superintendent of the
poor, and an old resident of this
county, died in Ann Arbor, Tuesday,
Dec. 19, after a long and lingering
illness, aged 67 years. He was born
in Ireland and came to this county
with his father's family when 9 years
old.

A party of men are here putting
up signs advertising Bull Durham
and Duke's Mixture tobaccos along
the line of the Michigan Central
railroad. The signs are placed about
every two miles and it is the inten-
tion to change the pictures and ad-
vertising matter on them once a
year.

Henry Gorton met with a painful
accident Monday evening. He was
driving homeward and when near
the cement works at Four Mile Lake,
was about to turn out for another
team to pass by, when his horse be-
came frightened and threw him out
of the carriage. His head was cut
quite badly and several stitches had
to be taken in the wound to close it
up.

Dr. Louis N. Gelston, who died
Wednesday of last week of scarlet
fever, while attending to his patients
as the physician of the Calumet &
Hecla Mining Co., at Calumet, was a
school and college mate of Dr. Tho-
mas I. and Herbert Clark, sons of Mr.
and Mrs. John Clark, of Lyndon.
He was well known to many in their
neighborhood having spent the sum-
mer vacation at the Clark home one
or two years ago. He was a bright,
manly young man, beloved by all
who knew him. He was about to
be married, the date for the wedding
having been set.

Do You Know?

That we know the Best Molasses in town.
It is the old fashioned New Orleans kind,
light in color and sweet with sugar. Bring
your jug, and try some.

WE ARE SELLING:

26 pounds Brown Sugar for	\$1.00
7 pounds best Rolled Oats for	25c
The famous V Crackers, 3 1/2 pounds for	25c
Best Imported Figs, per pound,	15c and 20c
Fancy Seeded Raisins, per pound,	10c
Yeast Foam, per package,	3c
New Mixed Nuts, per pound,	15c
Fancy Florida Oranges, per dozen,	20c
New Persian Dates, per pound,	10c
Heinz new Dill Pickles, per dozen,	10c
Heinz Sauer Kraut, per pound,	5c
Warner's Full Cream Cheese, per pound,	16c
Our famous Mocha and Java Coffee, 25c per pound, 4 1/2 pounds for \$1.00	

The choicest of everything in Confectionery. Our line is the largest and our prices the lowest.

FREEMAN BROS.

We are Fully Prepared to offer

HOLIDAY BARGAINS

And we have many things in our stock that
will make useful as well as ornamental Christ-
mas Presents, and our prices will be very low.
**Do not go out of town to buy
anything in our line before
getting our prices.**

IN FURNITURE

We have SIDE BOARDS
BOOK CASES,
DINING TABLES and CHAIRS,
IRON BEDS,
BED ROOM SUITS,
COUCHES,
PARLOR PIECES,
DAVENPORT BEDS,
MUSIC CABINETS, and
THE LARGEST LINE OF
ROCKERS WE EVER
CARRIED.

IN HARDWARE

We have TEA and COFFEE POTS,
PLATED WARE,
KNIVES AND FORKS,
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CARVERS,
AIR GUNS,
SKATES FOR BOYS
AND GIRLS.

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take orders for 9-Bar Woven Wire Fence at 25 cents per rod.
The best on earth.

**W. J. KNAPP, Chelsea,
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We Sell the Best of Shoes FOR MEN,

At prices that cannot be duplicated at any other store in Chelsea, and the
quality cannot be excelled. I can save you money.

A Few Choice Groceries, Fruits and Candy,
At the right prices to sell them.

Farrell's Pure Food Store. Meat at Prices to Suit All.

We will not be undersold by anyone.

We have now on hand a stock of Meat which we will sell at prices to
meet all competition.
Those desiring the best cuts can always get them from the large stock
prime Meats that we continually have on hand.

ADAM EPPLER.

Chelsea Roller Mill Feed Prices

Bran,	80c a 100 lbs	Western Corn and Oat Feed,	\$1.15 a 100 lbs
Middlings	\$1.00 a 100 lbs	Screened Cracked Corn,	\$1.25 a 100 lbs
Our Corn and Oat Feed,	\$1.25 a 100 lbs	Screenings	1.25 a 100 lbs
Chicken Wheat	\$1.10 a 100 lbs		

All goods delivered.
Cash paid for Grain of all kinds delivered at the mill.

E. K. WHITE, Proprietor.

Specials for Christmas Week

Extra Fancy Navel Oranges	25c and 35c per dozen
Fancy Florida Oranges	20c and 25c per dozen
Fancy Malaga Grapes	15c per pound
Fancy Large Ripe Bananas	20c per dozen
Fancy New No. 1 English Walnuts	20c per pound
Fancy New Mixed Nuts	15c per pound
Fancy New Brazil Nuts	15c per pound
Fancy Roasted Peanuts	10c per pound, 3 lbs for 25c
Mixed Candy, no Gum Drops	10c per pound
Stick Candy	10c per pound
Fancy Box Candies from	20c up
Evergreen Wreathing,	5c per yard
Holly Wreaths, each	10 and 15 cents
Large Meaty Oysters	30c per quart

: LET US HAVE YOUR ORDERS :

With the Compliments
of the Season

Kantlehner Bros.

N. B.—This store will be open Christmas
from 7 to 11 a. m. No delivery.

THE COLONEL'S WIFE

BY
WARREN EDWARDS
AUTHOR OF "THE DISPATCH BEARER," ETC.
COMPILED 1888 BY STREET & SMITH

CHAPTER II.—Continued.

Bending a keen look upon the prisoner, the planter addressed him.

"I presume there is little need of my telling you, my man that you are in a fair way of stretching hemp. Caught within our lines, there is but one conclusion to be drawn—that is, you are a Federal spy. Of course you will deny this, but it matters little. We are justified in acting upon this supposition. These are times for action, and our policy is to reduce Sherman's army at every chance."

"Under these circumstances I might as well prepare to meet my fate," remarked John, coolly.

"What are you anxious to die?" ejaculated the planter, with considerable surprise.

"Not at all. On the contrary, I have every reason for desiring to live, but as a soldier I long ago made up my mind to face the worst manfully when it came."

"But there is a peculiar stigma attached to the fate of a spy—unmerited, I admit. It has always been so. To fall in battle is honorable—to be hung a disgrace."

"Granted—yet not being a spy I take little interest in the controversy. You have not come here to engage in an argument, squire."

"Ah! you know me?"

"That is the penalty for being a prominent man, sir. Every one has heard of Squire Granger and his lovely home."

"It has been my pride. You can imagine my distress at the prospect to come. What is your name?"

"John Emmett," replied the prisoner, which was true enough as far as it went.

"Then listen to me, I am about to give you one chance for your life. Refuse it if you like, but the penalty is death."

"Go on—I am ready to hear you," said Emmett, calmly.

"Listen to me. You fall to grasp the situation. Under ordinary circumstances I would as soon see my child dead as the wife of a Yankee. To save Lyndhurst we are ready to do even this. If you consent I have a solemn contract here which you must sign."

"A contract—kindly tell me its nature. It may put a different face on the matter."

"It is simply an agreement by means of which you swear never to claim Mollie as your wife—in fact, to be a stranger to her unless she of her own free will decides otherwise."

"And you tell me she has consented to this?"

"I have said so. Expect nothing but coldness from her. She is a Georgia girl and bitterly opposed to all Northern soldiers. Make up your mind that you will never see her after this night. Allow this strange romance to fade out of your mind. Lyndhurst will be saved and in twelve months the courts will set you both free again. This is a marriage of business and convenience—no dancing, no blushing bride, no happy hearts. The growl of Sherman's heavy guns is the only music, and that sad enough to Southern hearts. Decide in five minutes whether you care to live a Benedict or die a bachelor."

John walked up and down. Life was sweet to him, for he had much to accomplish, duties to perform. Besides, what mattered it under these peculiar circumstances? As yet the romance in the affair did not appeal to him.

"Before I decide one way or the other, will you allow me to see the young lady who has offered herself a sacrifice in order to save Lyndhurst?"

"I don't see why you show any curiosity in the matter, as she will be your wife in name only. However, I am disposed to be lenient. Step this way—she stands by the table in

as though a terrible suspicion had entered his head that this good-looking Yankee whom he was using as an instrument for saving his property might at some future time give them trouble.

It was by accident that John's hand touched that of the girl. He was amazed at feeling a strange thrill shoot through his frame, and ready to laugh at himself for such foolishness; but it gave him a sensation he had never experienced before, and which he would remember.

Again he was left alone with the planter.

"Allow me to congratulate you," said the other, with a sneer in his voice.

"I can hardly realize that I am no longer a single man. An hour ago I had not dreamed such a destiny was in store for me," returned John, with a careless laugh.

"I have a little more writing to be done. Sit down, please, and fill out these documents. Then the bargain will be complete."

John did as requested. Of course the papers concerned the one movement in which the squire was deeply interested. When John came to sign his name and his regiment, he managed to so manipulate the pen that the word Ridgeway was obscured, and a casual glance would only reveal plain John Emmett.

When the squire discovered that his new son-in-law had placed the word "colonel" before his name, he smiled grimly, not because of pleasure in being related to a Yankee officer, for he hated the whole army of invasion from Sherman down to the humblest drummer boy in blue, but simply on account of the more favorable prospect ahead in saving the estate from the torch and the pillager.

As it now stood Sherman would be compelled to put a guard around Lyndhurst. In case any damage was done, the government would be responsible for the whole property belonging to the wife of a Federal officer.

"Are you satisfied, squire?" asked the prisoner, as the other put the papers away.

"I believe it is all right."

"Then allow me to depart in peace."

The squire raised his heavy eyebrows.

"My dear colonel, you certainly must have misunderstood me. I said nothing at all about giving you liberty. It is against my principles to assist the enemy."

"Sir, I understood that the reward which was to follow my—er—sacrifice of bachelor principles was to be freedom."

John showed some signs of annoyance, though too diplomatic to even raise his voice above the ordinary pitch.

"I gave you the choice between marriage and the death of a spy. You have chosen wisely, colonel. We will keep you here over night, and when the morning comes send you under guard to headquarters. Your life was in question, and you have saved it. Say no more—words would be useless, and might bring on trouble."

Closing abruptly, the squire clapped his hands, and again his satellites entered, each with an exasperating grin upon his face, as though they appreciated the humor of the situation.

"Gentlemen, kindly show Colonel Emmett, my Federal son-in-law, to his boudoir. I hold you responsible for his appearance in the morning."

As the squire spoke a hand was laid upon each of John's shoulders.

"I will go with you quietly, gentlemen. No violence, if you please, or you will find yourselves handling a desperate man," was what the Federal said, and his manner impressed them so far that they used no undue familiarity.

The sarcasm of the squire's words could be plainly seen when the prisoner was ushered in the "boudoir" in question—a strong room that had evidently served as a prison on more than one occasion, perhaps for refractory slaves.

(To be continued.)

CHAPTER III.

Mollie.

Squire Granger was a man of business, as he proved by producing the document in question. At a signal a couple of John's captors entered to act as witnesses, and in signing he was careful to put down only so much of his name as he had already given.

It was evident that all preparations were made for the event, even to a person, before the expedition was sent out to capture a bachelor Yankee.

John aroused himself to take some interest in the case. Perhaps the novelty of the situation had something to do with this departure from his usual nonchalance, or it may be, the presence of Mollie Granger aroused a peculiar sensation within his bachelor heart.

The girl was as cold as ice, and beyond one contemptuous look, never vouchsafed him a glance.

John found himself smiling at the ridiculous nature of his position. Life is sweet to nearly every human being, and few men would have refused to accept it, even though the inevitable result was a sacrifice of personal liberty.

She stood beside him while the parson went through the service hastily, as though a little ashamed of the part he took, but ready to assist the squire in his scheme to save Lyndhurst.

When the words "to love, honor and obey" were read, John saw her scarlet lip curl in contempt, while the color momentarily left her face; but she gave a little affirmative nod.

Some spirit possessed him on his part to exclaim with more than usual emphasis "I will" when the usual question was put to him, and the girl turned a startled look upon him, while her father scowled like a plute,

Why She Yielded.

A small man sat in the corner of a Subway car. An extremely thin and very well dressed woman sat down next him, but placed herself exactly on the line dividing two seats. The car filled up and strap-hangers were much in evidence. A man tried to sit down between the woman and the man in the corner. He gave it up. Another tried on the other side, with the same lack of success, and he, too, joined the strap brigade. At Fourteenth street more people crowded into the car, but the thin woman serenely held her position. At length the man in the corner said, mildly:

"Madame, you are occupying two seats." The woman gave him a scornful look and, glancing at her attenuated proportions, said very emphatically: "Certainly not, sir."

"I did not say you were filling them," answered the man.

A smile rippled from face to face like a summer wave on a sandy beach. The woman slid hastily away from the man in the corner and incidentally landed in the middle of a seat, whereupon the fat man clinging to a strap sank slowly and heavily into the vacant space, with a deep sigh of satisfaction, and peace reigned once more.

—New York Press.

Another Great Reform.

"Yes, lady," said the man at the back door, "I am one of the leaders in a great reform movement."

"Ah! I am glad to hear you say so. What is the nature of the reform which you are endeavoring to bring about?"

"We want to put an end to de iniquitous practice dey have in saloons of hmlthn' de privileges of de free lunch to dem wot buys drinks."

The Swell Christmas Dinner on the Yukon

In the winter of '93 at a brand new mining camp on the Yukon there was a select society. One dark afternoon just before Christmas, with the mercury standing below the zero mark at some 20 odd, and a bitter wind sweeping down the river, the host blew into the cozy office of the agent.

"I want you to do two things for me."

"All right," said the agent, with ready courtesy, "what do you lack?"

"In the first place," said the host, "I want you to take Christmas dinner with me."

"That's easy," said the agent.

"In the second place, I want you to help me out with the dinner."

"Take the whole house if you want it."

"No, I don't quite want the house," said the host, "but I want that little Frenchman, your cook—what's his name?"

"Louis is yours," said the agent.

"And I want a whole lot of other things," said the host, with a sigh. "I'm afraid I'm up against it hard."

"What's the game?" said the agent.

"Well, you see, it's this way," said the host. "I've invited the governor and his son, and the general and his wife, and I and I make up the party. Further, I have asked each guest to choose some dish he would like for dinner, and, however difficult, I have agreed to provide it."

"Well, I admire your nerve," said the agent, "you must imagine that San Francisco or New Orleans is just around the next bend in the river. Do you know what the word Yukon means?"

"No," said the host, despondently.

"It means, 'nothing to eat.'"

"Before we go any further," said the host, entirely ignoring the agent's triumph, "what is yours?"

"Rum omelet," said the agent, without a moment's hesitation.

"Hum!" mused the host, "rum, of course, but that means fresh eggs, with nothing but scrambled eggs in the town. Canned eggs won't omelet; I've tried 'em."

"Blackie's got a hen," suggested the agent, "she roosts on the foot of his bed to keep from freezing to death."

"Yes, I know," said the host, "but she laid her last egg on the steamer just before it reached town. No hope at all there."

"He's up against the real thing now," sang the agent with delight. "By the way, what did the others choose?"

"To begin with the easiest, the governor's son wants some dish cooked in the French fashion."

"Why not let Louis make a caribou saute?" suggested the agent.

"Just the thing."

"What next?"

"The general's wife wants fresh potatoes. No evaporated or granulated spuds go."

"Got any?" asked the host anxiously.

"Frozen ones," said the agent.

"Will they do boiled?"

"No, mashed," said the agent, "whip 'em up with a little butter and canned cream and then brown 'em in the oven."

"Bully," said the host, lapsing into the vernacular of the west and rubbing his hands together.

"What does the governor want?" asked the agent.

"Marrow on toast," said the host dubiously.

"Holy smoke!" exclaimed the agent. "Not a cow brute this side of Dawson, and that is 775½ miles up the Yukon. Better start an airship for Seattle at once. There are two horses in town, you might buy one and—hold on a minute," as the dawn of an idea appeared in his eyes, "wait till I go out and look on the roof of the cabin."

He stepped out of the door and returned in a few moments looking mysteriously triumphant.

"What's on the roof of your old cabin?" said the host skeptically.

The agent tiptoed dramatically up to him, put his hand to his mouth and said in a loud stage whisper, "Moose shanks."

"What?" said the host.

"Frozen moose bones full of marrow," explained the agent, beaming.

"You see I have had several moose hams this fall, and as fast as the meat was cut off Louis threw them on the roof of the cabin, intending to make soup for the dogs. Now what will be the dogs' loss will be the governor's gain, for those bones are full of marrow, everyone of them."

"Shake," said the host as he extended his right hand.

"Now let's see," said the agent musing, "what's next? O yes, the general. Bet you the drinks I know what he wants. He wants booze."

"You're not so much," said the host, laughing. "I guessed that myself. When I asked him, he put the whole proposition in as few words as possible; all he said was, 'lashion's o' champagne.'"

"That means plenty, I suppose," said the agent.

"Of course; got any?"

"I've some extra dry, \$75 a case,"

replied the agent in his most businesslike tone.

"Send up two cases."

"Now," said the host briskly, "these matters being settled, how about eggs?"

"There are the suicide's eggs," murmured the agent.

"What?" said the host incredulously, "did that man who hanged himself with a wire from a beam in his cabin have fresh eggs?"

"Why, didn't you know," said the agent with surprise, "it was brooding on 18,000 eggs that caused him to commit suicide. He thought they were all bad, you see."

"But they weren't all bad, only he didn't find it out until after he 'vas dead," protested the agent with a grin. "I was a member of the coroner's jury that sat on the case, and when we investigated the effects of deceased we found sixteen barrels of fresh eggs worth \$2 a dozen."

"Let me tell you what to do when you go to buy your eggs," continued the agent, not noticing the interruption. "Take a pocketful of money, a cold chisel and a hammer."

"What's all that for?" asked the host with a show of interest.

"Well, you see the eggs are in lard, like holes in a cheese, and the lard is frozen solid as a rock. The probate court has charge of the matter and they sell the eggs for \$2 a dozen in the lard, purchaser's risk. You have to get 'em out yourself. If you get six whole eggs out of a dozen you are a dandy. They won't let you use a steam thawer because it would boil all the eggs. I want to tell you that the probate court of this town is strictly on to its job."

"Is there anything else that you want that you don't see?"

"Yes," replied the host. "I want roses. They are my choice. But in latitude 64 degrees north, and in the dead of an Arctic winter, one might as well wish for a chunk of Polaris."

"O I don't know," said the agent encouragingly, "how would a dozen 'jacks' and a dozen American beauties do, with a few sprays of apple blossoms to lay on the table?"

"What's the use of trying to be funny," said the host in an injured tone. "It's not in the least becoming."

The agent made no reply to this but quietly stepped into the other room and returned presently with a birch-bark vase in each hand. One contained a large bunch of magnificent jacquemints and the other an equally handsome lot of American beauties.

"Well, I'll be—jiggered," said the host, catching himself just in time, "you could knock me down with a feather."

"That's what they are," said the agent complacently.

"Spray a little perfume on 'em and after about two of the general's 'lashion's' nobody could tell 'em," said the agent.

"Where did you get them?" asked the host with interest.

"O," said the agent, who was inclined to be poetical, "they fluttered down from the wings of Aurora!"

"Fluttered down from the wings of geese," replied the host, who was not in the least so.

"Well, they are goose feathers," admitted the agent reluctantly, "but you needn't be so disgustingly matter of fact about it. Besides I've got the apple blossoms upstairs in the store."

"I must be getting home," said the host, worming himself awkwardly into his squirrel skin parkie. "Dinner at 6 o'clock sharp, and don't forget to send up all the stuff, including Louis, the marrow bones and the roses. Good night," and off he went.—Samuel Hubbard, Jr., in Sunset Magazine.

Christmas Table Charades.

These charades may be "acted" with the ordinary utensils to be found in kitchen or dining-room, using the dinner table for the stage. Put an orange seed at the left side of a chair and (they will represent Sedan Chair (seed and chair). Put the charred head of a match to the left of a raisin stone and you have Coal Pit. Lay four toothpicks, an oyster, a napkin ring and several knives in a row. They will represent Four Roystering Blades (four oyster ring blades). The cayenne pepper castor alongside of a watch stands for A Hot Time. A watch and a tray stand for Watch and Wait. A bit of cheese laid on a chair seat signifies The Seat of the Mighty (mitye). Open the door and lay a china plate in the threshold. It means The Open Door for China. Hundreds of funny combinations can be made, and everybody can take a hand at presenting a problem.

First English Christmas Tree.

The Christmas tree was first heard of in England about 1444. A tree was then set up in the middle of a pavement and decked with ivy as well as with other green leaves. From this use it was finally taken into the home, decorated with candles, and eventually with anything which glistened and enhanced its brightness.

YOU HAVE NO RIGHT TO SUFFER

From Constipation, Bowel and Stomach Trouble.

Q. What is the beginning of sickness?
A. Constipation.

Q. What is Constipation?
A. Failure of the bowels to carry off the waste matter which lies in the alimentary canal where it decays and poisons the entire system. Eventually the results are death under the name of some other disease. Note the deaths from typhoid fever and appendicitis, stomach and bowel trouble at the present time.

Q. What causes Constipation?
A. Neglect to respond to the call of nature promptly. Lack of exercise. Excessive brain work. Mental emotion and improper diet.

Q. What are the results of neglected Constipation?
A. Constipation causes more suffering than any other disease. It causes rheumatism, colds, fevers, stomach, bowel, kidney, lung and heart troubles, etc. It is the one disease that starts all others. Indigestion, dyspepsia, diarrhoea, loss of sleep and strength are its symptoms—piles, hemorrhoids, and fistula, are caused by Constipation. Its consequences are known to all physicians, but few sufferers realize their condition until it is too late. Women become confirmed invalids as a result of Constipation.

Q. Do physicians recognize this?
A. Yes. The first question your doctor asks you is "are you constipated?" That is the secret.

Q. Can it be cured?
A. Yes, with proper treatment. The common error is to resort to physics, such as pills, salts, mineral water, castor oil, injections, etc., every one of which is injurious. They weaken and increase the malady. You know this by your own experience.

Q. What then should be done to cure it?
A. Get a bottle of Mull's Grape Tonic at once. Mull's Grape Tonic will positively cure Constipation and Stomach Trouble in the shortest space of time. No other remedy has before been known to cure Constipation positively and permanently.

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Tact of Napoleon III.

In the memoirs of Dr. Thomas Evans appears this anecdote of the court of Emperor Napoleon III., in Paris: "At a ball given at the Tuilleries a general slipped on the polished floor, fell at the emperor's feet, pulling down with him his partner. 'Madame,' said the emperor, assisting the lady to rise 'this is the second time Gen. — has fallen in my presence; the first time was at Solferino.'"

Chinese Ruler.

The Empress Dowager of China was sold into slavery at the age of eleven, to save her family from starvation. Afterwards, she was presented to the late Emperor, and upon his wife's death, became Empress. Her feet were never bound, and she was taught to read after persistent pleading. The sterling qualities of this wonderful woman, like those of Pillsbury's Vitos, have overcome every obstacle. And she holds herself at the head of China, as does Vitos at the head of breakfast foods.

Japanese "Cornerstones."

Doing everything by contraries, as usual, the Japanese, instead of burying under a foundation stone the names of the persons connected with the building of a temple, inscribe thereon a tablet which is conspicuously placed on the roof.

Any one can be a power for evil—it takes character to be a power for good.

Certain men are determined to get their share of what does not belong to them.

You can fool every one save God—and yourself.

—American Illustrated Magazine.

Power of Intellectuality.

A great soul draws and is drawn with a more fierce intensity than any small one. By every inch we grow in intellectual height, our love strikes down, it roots deeper, and spreads out its arm wider.—Olive Schreiner.

Many a man has drowned himself after looking into the depths of a woman's eyes.

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The marriage of Mollie Granger and the Colonel.

"You are a bachelor, I am told."

"That is true."

"Then hark! in half an hour from now you will be a married man, or have ceased to live."

At this strange remark John turned and looked squarely into the face of the planter.

"Pardon me if I say that under ordinary circumstances of the two evils I might choose the latter."

"Oh! I see, you are a woman hater."

"Hardly that. I have grown somewhat cynical regarding the happiness of those who wed, and long ago resolved to remain single."

"Perhaps we can batter down the walls of your prejudice, especially when it is a case of giving up your bachelor freedom, or meeting a fate that usually makes men shudder."

"Explain yourself, squire, for you must admit this is a remarkable proposition you bring me."

"Then listen, and weigh well the consequences before you decide. This estate has been my pride. It would kill me to have it ruined by the Yankees, which must come about unless I can secure immunity. I have one child, a daughter, whose heart is the same as mine. She is ready to sacrifice herself in order to save Lyndhurst."

"Go on—I am still unable to grasp the matter."

You are a Federal soldier—my men tell me they believe you to be an officer."

"It is true."

"If I can show proof that this estate is the property of my daughter, and that she is the wife of a Federal officer, Lyndhurst will be saved from the torch."

John was electrified by the proposition, and looked curiously at the man whose shrewd brain had evolved it. One glance at that determined face told him Squire Granger meant all he said, and that a refusal to accept the contract would be the signal for a hasty execution.

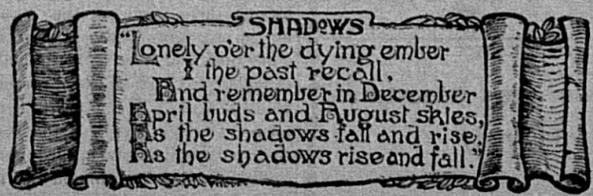
"What is your daughter's name?"

"It does not matter—still, you would have to know—it is Mollie Granger."

"She cannot be twenty, as yet?"

"Just eighteen. Allow me to add you are showing a curiosity that is unpleasant to me."

"Well, my dear sir, you must confess it would only be natural for a gentleman to ask the name of the lady who was to be his wife."



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Soft-sandaled and with awe upon her face,
Came Dawn, and bent to gaze upon the Child,
Although a star, enamored, pierced the lace,
That hid her bosom, cool and undefiled.

Yet lingered, tho' the rose of opal gleams
Flushed her pale brow, whilst slept the Babe
Till, starting from His soul's harmonious dreams,
Behold! He wakes and smiles at trembling Dawn.

Then o'er the heavens spread a trellised light,
As Dawn, illumined by His smile, soft-kissed
The purple jewel of the Orient night
To snow-plumed morn, entwined in an ethereal.

And, lo, the silent chambers of the world
Were stirred to life by that far-reaching smile!
The waves of Galilee, prophetic, pealed
A silvered path, a sacred temple-hale,
And sazes who foretold the Christ's advent
Came hast'ning to the humble manger fold,
And, dazzled by the Infant's smile, low-bent
To touch the swaddling robe as tho' 'twere gold.

And came a woman tired, for many a mile
Her feet slow trod to reach the royal inn,
And in her arms she bore her only child
That he might see the Christmas Babe within.

And in the hallowed light the woman's eye

Gazed on the blue-veined hands and pondered why
Marked keen the beauty of the Infant King,
There lay in each a scarlet-tinted ring,
Then fervently she prayed that God might guide
The Babe in ways secure from strife,
And holding forth her child she meekly cried,
"Unto the Christ I consecrate this life."

And Mary, in her pure benevolence,
Low thanked the woman for the homage done,
And with a touch of tender reverence,
Soft laid Christ's hand upon the woman's son.

The timid boy by heavenly hand caressed
Stood gravely silent, then as tho' impelled,
Quick knelt and on the brow of Jesus pressed,
His lips—then all the earth in wrath rebelled.

And thunder crashed and lightning stealed the sky
And upward whirled the winds in tongues of flame,
Eremiting all the firmament on high—
And Calvary hid her face in bitter shame.

Oh, Mary, trusting, thou didst never know
The boy the woman to the manger brought,
Who knelt to kiss the babe in bearing low,
Dear God! was Judas of Iscariot!

The earth now weakened by her loyal wrath
Lay trembling; but athwart the muttering sky,
Leaps swift a rainbow-gem set after-math—
For lo! the Babe again doth smiling lie!



The holiday times bring to those of us whose memories go back a half century or more thoughts of the days before the Civil War, when life was so different from that in the hurrying world of the present, writes Mrs. Lillie Devereux Blake in the Philadelphia Public Ledger. I was born in the South. My father, Mr. Devereux, owned a large plantation on the banks of the Roanoke river, in North Carolina. My earliest remembrances are of the kindly faces of the dusky people who were the only inhabitants for miles around us. As a little tottering child I went with my nurse into the cotton fields, carrying a small basket and picking such tufts of the white fluff as my small arms could reach. I recall the kindness of the dark friends and how dearly I loved my attendant, Linda, and Gabriel, my father's personal servant, who so often carried me in his arms.

The Soft Southern Winter.

After my father's early death my mother made her home near her own people at the North, but each year we visited the old plantation and the Carolina relatives. How sweet was the soft Southern winter! How beautiful the early spring! As I write I seem to see the deep forests of odoriferous pine trees, the broad savannas that were gay with flowers, the tall stalks of "the Roanoke belle," the pink blossoms of the scented hawthorn, the grass spangled with violets and "eye-brights," and to hear once more the wild songs of the birds echoing down the wide reaches of the river.

All the glory of that scene and that time have gone forever! Years have passed and changes have come, but most vivid of all the recollections of those far-off days are the scenes of Christmas time.

The celebration began on Christmas eve when there was a grand ball for the slaves. It took place in a wide barn, which had been decorated for the occasion with great branches of pine and holly. All present wore their best attire, the simple gowns of the women often showing much taste in their construction. A negro fiddler led the music, which was reinforced by the rhythmic clapping kept up by the men; "Clapping Juba," it was called, and was made by striking the hands together on the leg or chest. What a merry scene it was! The gay crowd swaying and whirling in the intricate convolutions of the dance, with the constant pulsations of the regular beats and shrill notes of the fiddle leading the wild chorus. The "white folks" did not stay late, but the ball was kept up till long after midnight brought in Christmas morning.

Yuletide on the Plantation.

Of course, this was a holiday, and all day groups of our people came to the "great house," as the planter's residence was called, to wish Massa and Missis a merry Christmas. Sometimes they brought small gifts of eggs or flowers or little red birds that they had tamed. Sometimes they danced or performed athletic feats. Sometimes they only said "Howdy Massa," "Howdy Missis," but always with a look of affection. Ah! those dusky friends of long ago! How they dwell in my memory! How deep and strong was the affection which existed between these simple people and those in whose hands was the great responsibility of their welfare! Of course, gifts were distributed lavishly. No one was forgotten, and at night there were gay parties gathered for the feasts.

Years have passed since then, and these "wards of the Nation" have

long been possessed of "the boon of freedom." This was for the best, no doubt, and yet many a time in my visits to Washington, where so many of the newly enfranchised gathered, my heart was wrung at the desperate poverty of these poor children of the sun, who knew not how to struggle with the world and were bereft of the protection to which they had been accustomed. My eyes were full of tears often, as I looked in the dusky face of some poor old man, and I had my trunk taken to the hotel in a wheelbarrow by some ragged ex-slave, long after an efficient express service made it absurd.

Holidays in New England.

After we dwelt in New Haven our Christmas days were spent at the home of my grandfather, Judge Johnson, at Stratford, where were held delightful feasts of reunion of the family, when around the great table were gathered nearly all of the sons and daughters of the house, with their children. Cold! Ah, those winter days were cold, indeed. I remember well when we children went off one morning for a sleigh ride. Away over the snow, "the boys" driving, the crowd of youngsters packed closely with bearskins tucked about us to keep out the bitter chill. It had rained during the night and all the trees and bushes were coated with ice that sparkled like diamonds in the pale sunlight. What a fairy land it was! That wood where the evergreens were decked like brides with white masses of snow and gay chains of pearls. How the bells jingled as we slid over the smooth ground!

Memories of the Dinner.

Home after a while to the great feast of the day, the Christmas dinner. In the dining-room the long table was set with old china and silver. At one end sat my dear grandfather, his noble face glowing with kindness, while my stately grandmother, with her keen dark eyes, presided opposite. The dinner was not served as it would be to-day, but was in the finest fashion of that time. After the soup there came a great turkey at one end of the table, a pair of ducks at the other, a chicken pie on one side, and a ham on the other, flanked by a variety of vegetables. But the dessert was the portion that interested me most deeply. Plum pudding and mince pie were the substantial, but the glory of the day was the great glass bowl of syllabub that stood high in the center of the table, flanked by dishes of preserves and candied fruit. Since that happy time I have sat at many feasts, but never where there was anything so delicious as grandma's syllabub with peaches.

A Festival of Other Days.

After dinner the "grown-ups" sat in the great drawing-room with the octagonal end and the peacock paper on the walls that was brought from France by a great-uncle. A mighty wood fire blazed on the hearth, lighting up the old pictures and the stately furniture. There our elders held solemn conclave, as it seemed to us, though I doubt not they had a good deal of fun among themselves. We young folks went to a big room that was called "the nursery," though it was long years since there had been any babies there. We played all sorts of games, making as much noise as we could without a word of renouncement; until, tired of pleasure we sank to sleep in the deep feather beds.

How far away is all this now! How many long years since those vanished days! Yet as I write they seem to live once more, and like the echoes faint and far of music's fading chiming, I hear the laughter and the songs of that light-hearted time.

LONG WAIT FOR VINDICATION.

Woman's Innocence Discovered After Six Years in Prison.

One of the strangest of stories of false imprisonment comes from France. A woman was sentenced to imprisonment for life for having caused the death of her husband and brother. The three lived together at Malaunay, near Rouen, in a cottage, the lower part of which was used as a wineshop. When the woman was sent to prison other people took the wineshop, but the new tenants suffered, the man from fainting fits, his wife from nausea, from which she died. Another couple tried their fortune, but they, too, were overcome by the "spell of the accursed place," as they thought it. They were subjected to fainting and loss of memory. At last a scientific examination of the premises was made. Then it was found that adjoining the inn was a lime kiln. In the wall dividing it from the cottage were many fissures, so that whenever lime was burnt monoxide of carbon escaped into the inn. This was the secret of the deaths for which the woman was suffering. She was brought out of prison after six years of servitude.

Derivation of "Luncheon."

A "lunch," etymologically, is just a lump; in the sixteenth century a "lunch of bacon" meant merely a slice or hunk of it. So Burns speaks of bread and cheese "dealt about in lanches," and Scott records that "little Benjie was ramming a huge luncheon of pleurist into his mouth." While in modern times "lunch" is an abbreviation from "luncheon," the latter was originally an elongation of "lunch." A philologist shows how the old "noon-shenk," noon-drink, came to mean noon-eating, and to appear as "nuncheon;" and the development thereafter of "luncheon" from "lunch" was very natural.

South African Game Reserve.

Threatened disappearance of the wild fauna of South Africa has led the Natal government to form a reserve of some 20,000 acres in extent on the slopes of the Drakensberg. In the deep "kloofs" of these secluded mountains patches of berg cypress and other natural forest afford good cover for the eland, of which only some 130 specimens now remain in Natal. The reserve also contains herds of blue buck and klipspringer. In this game reserve are also found many valuable specimens of early Bushman paintings and drawings, many of which are disappearing owing to the rapid disintegration of the rock surfaces.

How Birds Destroy Insects.

The chickadee will destroy plant lice, for it sometimes eats 5,500 lice for breakfast. The woodpecker gets after the borers. The flicker eats some wood-boring insects. The cuckoo is needed greatly, for it eats the hairy caterpillars that prey on trees. It sometimes eats so many that its gizzard is often fuzzy with the hairs. The grosbeak eats potato beetles, and two of them will keep a quarter of an acre free. But aside from all utilitarian considerations, bird music is enough to pay us for our care and protection.—Exchange.

Words of Wisdom.

Westfield, Ill., Dec. 18th (Special)—All who are suffering with Bright's Disease, should read carefully the following letter from the Rev. G. L. Good of this place. He says:—

"I feel it is my duty to tell you of the wonderful benefit I have received from the use of Dodd's Kidney Pills. I am a Minister of the Gospel, and in my work, I am frequently exposed to all weathers. Six years ago, I was laid up sick. I doctored with a number of physicians, and finally consulted a specialist, but without success. They all told me I had Bright's Disease. I was in a bad way and almost helpless when, thank God, I heard of Dodd's Kidney Pills. They saved my life. I took sixteen boxes and now I am cured. The first day I took them I felt relief. When I began I weighed only one hundred and five pounds, now I weigh one hundred and sixty-five and I am the picture of health. I recommend Dodd's Kidney Pills to all my friends who have Kidney Trouble and I pray to God that other sufferers will read these words and be helped by them."

Oil Paints Kill Germs.

Oil paints have a marked deterrent effect upon various bacilli of disease, as tests made in Paris have shown. The germs of tuberculosis, especially, are much affected by paints. They do not thrive or live on a painted surface as they do where there is no paint to cover wood or metal.

AGONY OF SORE HANDS.

Cracked and Peeling—Water and Heat Caused Intense Pain—Could Do No Housework—Grateful to Cuticura.

"My hands cracked and peeled, and were so sore it was impossible for me to do my housework. If I put them in water I was in agony for hours; and if I tried to cook, the heat caused intense pain. I consulted two doctors, but their prescriptions were utterly useless. And now after using one cake of Cuticura Soap and one box of Cuticura Ointment my hands are entirely well, and I am very grateful. (Signed) Mrs. Minnie Drew, 18 Dana St., Roxbury, Mass."

How True.

How true is the old proverb that birds of a feather flock together—why, only a pain in two little fingers (belonging to separate persons, of course) may unite their owners in a bond of friendship.

In Brief.

"You know Mr. Phunnypeller, who always prides himself on answering remarks with one word? Well, I met him to-day, and when I told him I had just come across our doctor at the friends' I had been calling on, he smiled and said, 'Metaphysician.' Then I asked him if he could guess at what hour he had breakfast and morning, and he nodded his head and said, 'Attenuate.' To change the conversation I inquired what he thought of peroxide as a hair bleach, and he said sharply, shaking his head, 'Dynasty.' I invited him to come home with me and take a bite at least, and he replied with an accepting nod, 'Dynamite.' But he capped the climax when I asked him if we might hope to hear a speech from him at that public dinner next week by proudly saying 'Expectoration.'"—Baltimore American.

How Bear Escapes from Trap.

When caught by a paw in the jaws of a trap a bear will drag the heavy apparatus and its clog until the latter is caught in the brush or trees, and then, if the paw is not too far, will often pull out or chew off the captive member.

Important to Mothers.

Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA, a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and see that it

Bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher* In Use For Over 30 Years. The Kind You Have Always Bought.

Worst Has Happened.

A nice thing about being in politics is you never fear that anything worse can happen to you in the next world.

FITS

Permanently cured. No fits or nervousness after first day's use of Dr. Kline's Great Nerve Restorer. Send for FREE \$3.00 trial bottle and treatise. Dr. H. H. KLINE, Ltd., 301 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup.

For children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. Use a bottle.

Glittering generalities are the rhinestones of speech.

A GUARANTEED CURE FOR PILES.

Hemorrhoids, Bleeding, Protruding Piles. Druggists are authorized to refund money if PAGO OINTMENT fails to cure in 6 to 14 days. 50c.

It is not considered good form to ask the pork packer's wife to "render" something on the piano!

DON'T FORGET

A large 2-oz. package Best Cross Ball Blue, only 5 cents. The Russ Company, South Bend, Ind.

When a man talks of his own honesty, we begin slyly to hide our editorial scissors.

PRICE, 25 Cts.



TO CURE THE GRIP IN ONE DAY ANTI-GRIPINE HAS NO EQUAL FOR HEADACHE

SEVEN YEARS AGO.

A Rochester Chemist Found a Singularly Effective Medicine.

William A. Franklin, of the Franklin & Palmer Chemical Co., Rochester, N. Y., writes: "Seven years ago I was suffering very much through the failure of the kidneys to eliminate the uric acid from my system. My back was very lame and ached if I overexerted myself in the least degree. At times I was weighed down with a feeling of languor and depression and suffered continually from annoying irregularities of the kidney secretions. I procured a box of Doan's Kidney Pills and began using them. I found prompt relief from the aching and lameness in my back, and by the time I had taken three boxes I was cured of all irregularities."

Sold by all dealers, 50 cents a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

Wanted, Hustling Newspaper Man

to start weekly paper at Marlborough, Lake Co., Michigan. Marlborough is three years old, has 500 inhabitants, and is the home of the great Northern Portland Cement Co., employing upwards of 300 men and increasing every year. The Company has 1,400 stockholders, most of whom would take his paper. The right man with good-oult will find this a splendid opening. For particulars address H. H. Parsons, 82 Griswold Street, Detroit, or Fred E. Farnsworth, Marlborough, Mich.

DENSION JOHN W. MORRIS, Washington, D. C.

Successfully Prosecutes Claims. Late Principal Engineer U. S. Pension Bureau. 15 days in civil war, 15 adjudicated claims, 1512 cases.

W. N. U.—DETROIT.—No. 51—1905

To Los Angeles

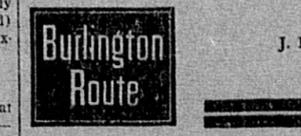
Over the Shortest and Quickest Line Via Denver, Scenic Rockies, Salt Lake Route

Daily tourist sleeping car service from Chicago in connection with the new Salt Lake Route (S. P., L. A. & S. L. R. R.) Cars go thro'

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over the Denver & Rio Grande R. R., passing the incomparably grand scenery of the Rocky Mountains in daylight. They stop in Salt Lake City for several hours, affording opportunity for sightseeing, and then leave over the Salt Lake Route, skirting Great Salt Lake, passing thro' picturesque Utah and the orange groves of Southern California.

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WOMAN WAS IN TROUBLE

**Read Her Three Statements.
Was Near Death's Door Four Years
With Disease of Stomach, but
For More than Two Years
Has been Entirely Well.**

Francisco, Mich., Aug. 4, 1903.
Dr. E. L. Wilkinson, 25 Dwight Building,
Jackson, Michigan.
I wish to thank you for what you have done
for me. Before going to your office I was very
bad with stomach trouble. I suffered hundreds
deaths during the past four years. I had ter-
rible spells of suffering with pain in my stom-
ach that would last several days, and in many
of these spells I thought, and my friends thought
I would die. The doctors who attended me gave
me temporary relief, but they did nothing that
would prevent a return of the agony. I called
up to you about six weeks ago, and I have had
no pain whatever since I began treating with
you. In that short time I have gained in flesh
and am as strong as any ordinary woman of my
age. You certainly know how to cure disease
of the stomach, for several different doctors
treated me many months and none of them
gave me permanent relief.

SUES MAITHA KEELER.
Later.
Francisco, Mich., Dec. 23, 1904.

Dr. Wilkinson:
It has now been over a year since I gave you
the above testimonial, but I wish to add a few
remarks at this time that are very important,
and hope they may be the means of helping
others who are afflicted as I was. I have not
taken a dose of medicine since a year ago last
August, and the condition of my stomach and
bowels have been perfect. My health is good,
I assure you I appreciate it. I hope everybody
who has stomach trouble will go to you and
be permanently cured.

MRS. MAITHA KEELER.

Still Later.
Nov. 29, 1905.

Dr. Wilkinson:
It has now been nearly three years since you
cured me of one of the worst and most stub-
born cases of disease of the stomach and
bowels I ever saw or heard of, and my thanks
to you, I am still well and hearty. I take no
medicine and I eat everything I want, and feel
splendid all the time.

MRS. MAITHA KEELER.



YOU MUST
miss some of the good things of life
without doubt, but don't miss any of
the good things made at

OUR BAKERY

if you can help it. Rolls, Cakes,
Pies, etc., all so dainty that you will
find them hard to beat.

WM. CASPARY.

Probate Order.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, COUNTY OF WASH-
TENAW, ss. At a session of the Probate
Court for said County of Washtenaw, held at
the Probate Office in the City of Ann Arbor,
on the 23rd day of December, in the year one thousand
and nine hundred and five.
Present, Emory E. Leland, Judge of Probate.
J. Leach, deceased.
On reading and filing the petition of James
L. Gilbert, executor of said estate, praying
that he may be licensed to sell certain real estate
described herein at public or private sale, for
the purpose of paying debts and expenses.
It is ordered that the 15th day of January
next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said
Probate Office, be appointed for granting such
license.
And it is further ordered, that a copy of this
order be published three successive weeks pre-
vious to said time of hearing, in the Chelsea
Herald, a newspaper printed and circulating
in said County of Washtenaw.
EMORY E. LELAND,
Judge of Probate.
W. WIRT NEWKIRK, Reg. Str.

Notice to Creditors.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, County of
Washtenaw, ss. Notice is hereby
given, that by an order of the Probate
Court for the County of Washtenaw, made on
the 4th day of December, A D 1905,
four months from that date were allowed
for creditors to present their claims against
the estate of Gerald Deady, late of said
county, deceased, and that all creditors of
said deceased are required to present their
claims to said Probate Court, at the Pro-
bate Office in the city of Ann Arbor, for
examination and allowance, on or before
the 10th day of April next; and that such
claims will be heard before said Court on
the 10th day of February, and on the 10th
day of April next, at ten o'clock in the
forenoon of each of said days.
Dated Ann Arbor, Dec. 4, A D 1905.
E. E. LELAND,
19 Judge of Probate.

PILES R-Pile Suppository
A cure guaranteed if you use
RUDY'S R-Pile Suppository.
Dr. Martin Rudy, Lancaster, Pa.
Graduated School, Lancaster, N. C., writes: "I can say
they do all you claim for them." Dr. S. M. Deane,
Beverly, N. Y., writes: "They give natural satis-
faction." Dr. H. B. Gill, Chicago, Ill., writes:
"In a practice of 25 years, I have found no remedy to
equal yours." Price, 50 Cents. Dispensed Free. Sold
by Druggists. MARTIN RUDY, LANCASTER, PA.

Sold in Chelsea by Fenn & Vogel. Call for
free sample.

To Sylvan Taxpayers.

The tax roll for the township of Sylvan
for the year 1905 is now in my hands for
collection and I will be at my office, room
3, Kempf Bank building, every day until
Jan. 10, 1906, to receive the same.

W. F. REIMENSCHNEIDER,
16-T Township Treasurer.

To Lyndon Taxpayers

I will be at the town-hall, Lyndon, Fri-
day of each week, and at the Chelsea Sav-
ings Bank, Chelsea, Saturday of each
week from now until Jan. 10, 1906, for
the purpose of collecting the taxes of
above township for the year 1905.

ERNEST ROWE, Treasurer.

Mrs. H. E. Gillett, of Sharon, who
has been living with her daughter in
Brooklyn, has returned to live on
the old farm with her son and his
wife.

Personal.

Miss Celia Ryan spent Friday in
Ann Arbor.

Will Kress was an Ann Arbor vis-
itor Sunday.

Miss Fannie Warner was in Ann
Arbor Monday.

Tommy Wilkinson was a Detroit
visitor Tuesday.

Leonard Beissel was an Ann Ar-
bor visitor Sunday.

Mrs. Florence Howlett was an
Ann Arbor visitor Monday.

R. B. Waltrons and wife visited
friends in Jackson Sunday.

E. L. Negus and wife visited
friends in Ann Arbor Thursday.

Mrs. J. P. Foster visited friends in
Ann Arbor Friday and Saturday.

Arthur Foster and Francis Mc-
Kune were Dexter visitors Sunday.

Edmund Robinson, of Sylvan, was
in Grass Lake on business Saturday.

Thomas Fletcher and wife were
Grand Rapids visitors the past week.

Frank Smith and wife, of Sharon,
visited Milo Hunter and wife Thurs-
day.

Guy Lightball spent Saturday and
Sunday with relatives and friends
here.

Miss Ella Veenboer has been vis-
iting her sister Miss Leafy Veenboer
since Friday.

Mrs. A. E. Foster, of Owosso, is
spending the week with her mother,
Mrs. E. Winters.

J. H. Osborne, of Sioux City, Iowa,
made a flying visit with M. J. Noyes
and wife Saturday evening.

Miss Edith Noyes visited her sis-
ter Mrs. Ralph H. Holmes in Battle
Creek Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Geo. A. BeGole spent Sun-
day with her daughter, Mrs. Geo.
W. Weeks, jr., of Ann Arbor.

O. C. Burkhart was in Chicago at-
tending the live stock exposition
from Saturday until yesterday.

W. J. O'Connor and wife, of Syl-
van, went to Albion yesterday to at-
tend the funeral of his brother.

L. Hindelang, of Albion, spent
Sunday with his father, L. H. Hinde-
lang and family, of Dexter township.

Mrs. Jean M. Duke, who had been
visiting Mrs. T. W. Mingay for sev-
eral days, returned to Ann Arbor
Monday.

J. L. Gilbert came home Sunday
from Traverse City to spend a few
days and do some clerical work con-
nected with his office with the state
tax commission.

D. C. Waeker and wife, of Lima,
and Daniel Strieter and wife, of
Freedom, went to Chicago Saturday
to take in the live stock show and
visit relatives this week.

No Secret About It.

It is no secret that for cuts, burns, ulcers,
fever sores, sore eyes, boils, etc., nothing is
so effective as Buckler's Arnica Salve.
"It didn't take long to cure a bad sore I
had, and it is all O. K. for sore eyes,"
writes D. L. Gregory, of Hope, Tex. 25c
at Bank Drug Store.

Lyndon.

Eureka Grange will meet Friday,
Dec. 22, at 1 p. m., at the Lyndon
Center schoolhouse.

A school social for the benefit of
the school library in district No. 11
will be held at the home of Mr. and
Mrs. H. S. Barton on Friday evening,
Dec. 22.

A marriage license was issued yester-
day by the county clerk to Wirt
Clay Boyce, of this township, and
Miss Beulah Mae Dakin, of Dans-
ville. Rev. Pinckham, of Stock-
bridge, will perform the ceremony.

A shooting contest was held on
the farm of John Young on Satur-
day, Dec. 9. The objects shot at
were clay pigeons and the chief con-
testants were A. J. and Sam Boyce,
with 26 shooters on a side. Sam
Boyce and his gunners won the con-
test. The conditions of the contest
were that the losers were to pay for
all the oysters that both sides could
eat. The oyster supper was held at
the home of Mr. Boyce on Friday,
Dec. 15, and a large crowd partook
of oysters at that time.

A Bad Scare.

Some day you will get a bad scare, when
you feel a pain in your bowels and fear
appendicitis. Safety lies in Dr. King's
New Life Pills, a sure cure for all bowel
and stomach diseases, such as headache,
biliousness, costiveness, etc. Guaranteed
at Bank Drug Store, only 25c; try them.

Neighborhood Notes.

The prospects for Ann Arbor to
get a new post office building this
year are not flattering.

It is expected that 300 acres of
sugar beets will be grown in the
vicinity of Manchester next year.

Miss Jennie Buell is the new
master of the Ypsilanti Grange elect-
ed at the annual meeting Saturday.

A. J. Clark, of Grass Lake town-
ship, recently sold four six-months
old shoats that weighed 250 pounds
each.

The Detroit Journal states that
Ann Arbor is said to have cleaner
bakeries than any other city in the
state.

The business of the Dexter bank
is gaining steadily and is expected
to reach a business of \$200,000 by
Jan. 1.

The Grass Lake and Sharon tele-
phone companies have been united
by a switch at J. R. Lemm's resi-
dence in Sharon.

Ann Arbor had three small fires
within 12 hours, from 11 p. m. Sun-
day to 11 a. m. Monday. All were
extinguished without much damage.

Around Stockbridge the weather
was so springlike Monday of last
week that Henry Leek killed a
rattlesnake which had seven rattles,
that his dog had found lying on top
of the ground. It was very much
alive, too.

Chas. Martin has moved from the
Dexter house to the sanitarium prop-
erty on B street, Dexter, which will
hereafter be known as the Martin
house. Miss Allie Bennett will
again take possession of the Dexter
house and manage it.

The Grass Lake camp of Modern
Woodmen have moved into new and
commodious quarters which they
took formal possession of Wednes-
day evening, Dec. 13. The occasion was
celebrated by the initiation of seven
candidates and a banquet.

A new boulevard six and one-half
miles long and giving many and var-
ied beautiful views is projected in
Ann Arbor. It would run around
the eastern part of the city and take
in the old fair grounds as a park and
playground for the city school child-
ren.

Lima.

Miss Estela Guerin visited friends
in Ypsilanti Saturday.

Theodore Covert went to Dearborn
Sunday to see Mort Yakley.

Sam Bohuet and wife, from Chel-
sea, spent Sunday at J. Hinderer's.

Philip Seitz left Monday for Cali-
fornia to spend the winter with his
brother.

Several from here went to Ann
Arbor last week on the Mack & Co.
excursion.

Ed Beach attended the live stock
show in Chicago the first part of this
week. He returned home yesterday
morning.

The Lima and Scio Farmers' Club
met with Mr. and Mrs. Wilber Mc-
Laren yesterday. About 50 were
present and enjoyed the fine oyster
dinner that was served. Rev. E. E.
Caster gave a good report of the an-
nual meeting of the State Associa-
tion of Farmers' Clubs held at Lan-
sing last week, at which he was pre-
sent. The officers elected for the en-
suing year are as follows:

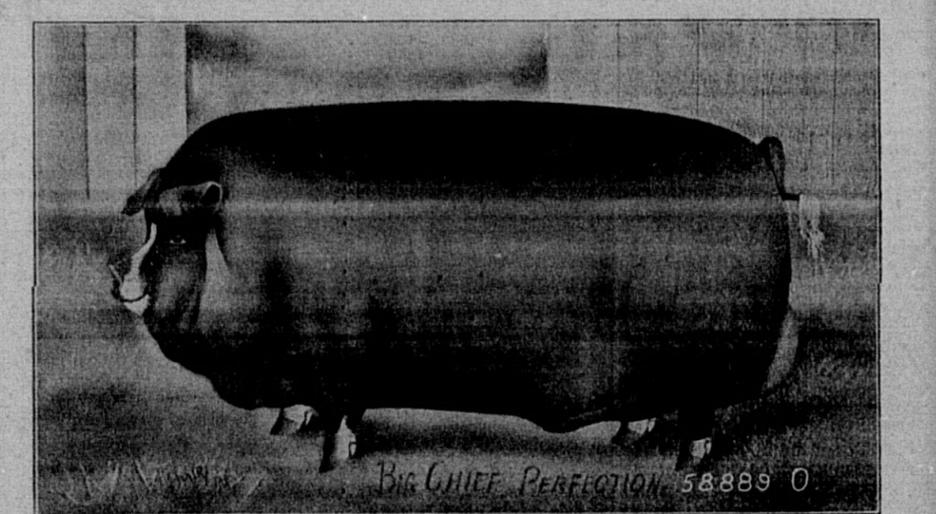
President—A. J. Easton.
1st Vice President—Jay Wood.
2d Vice President—Geo. Steinbach.
3d Vice President—Geo. B. Parker.
Sec. Treas.—Mrs. Geo. Steinbach.

Independent Telephone Service.

The Jackson Patriot, speaking of
the growth of independent telephone
service in Michigan, recently said:
"In Grass Lake today the inde-
pendents have nearly 300 phones in
operation and while they have prac-
tically stifled competition the rates
are lower or as low as that of the
Michigan State Telephone company.
The Wing lines center in an ex-
change building where a large switch-
board is installed. The Bell ex-
change is small, and the rural lines
centering in Grass Lake do not ex-
ceed a dozen. The independents
are gaining ground constantly and
the Bell interests losing ground at
that point."

Beautifully methods that injure the skin
and health are dangerous. Be beautiful
without discomfort by taking Hollister's
Rocky Mountain Tea. Sunshine faces
follow its use. 35c at Bank Drug Store.

Fair View Farm Poland Chinas.



Big Chief Perfection No. 58889,
Sire, Simply Perfection No. 49131. Dam, Chiefess Teemusch No. 132076.
Farrowed Sept. 28, 1902. Bred by S. E. Shellenberger & Co., Camden, Ohio. Raised by Lim Lukens, Dis-
co, Ind. Sold to C. O. Jones, Angola, Ind., Oct. 9, 1902. Sold to Geo. T. English, Sylvan, Mich., Nov. 18, 1905.
Having this Boar at the head of my herd I am breeding him to a few choice sows at a fee of \$2.50, or the
choice pig of the litter. I also have a young Boar, sired by Michigan Chief No. 48643, out of My Choice No.
135290, for service at a fee of \$1.00.
I will sell Michigan Chief at a bargain, as I cannot use him to advantage in my herd another season.
This is a bargain for some one.

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idence Park street, first house west of the
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7 to 8 p. m.
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Office over Raftrey's Tailor Store, East
Middle Street, Chelsea.

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Specialties—Diseases of the nose, throat,
eye and ear.
Office Hours—10 to 12 and 2 to 5. Office
in the Steinbach block, upstairs.

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Dentist.
Office over the Kempf Bank, Chelsea.

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You will find only up-to-date methods used, ac-
companied by the much needed experience that
crown and bridge work requires.
Prices as reasonable as first class work can
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East Middle Street, Chelsea, Mich.

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horse dentistry. Office and residence Park
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Modern Woodmen of America.
Meets the first and third Monday ever-
ings of each month at their hall in the
Staffan block.

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The Parlor Barber Shop.
Good work and close attention to busi-
ness my motto. With this in view, I
hope to secure, at least, part of your
patronage.

Hand Made Goods at Factory Prices

I have on hand a first class lot of Hand Made Cutters which can be
bought at factory prices while they last. Anyone in need of a first class
Cutter will find it to their interest to look over my stock before buying.

**No such Goods on the Market unless specified
Made to Order.**

I have also 30 sets of strictly first class Hand Made Bobs which I will
sell at a reasonable price while they last. The purchaser runs no risk in
buying these goods. I guarantee everyone and every part. No guess work,
everything positive, for they are all made in Chelsea.

Purchasers, look these goods over whether you buy or not, I will glad-
ly assist you.

A. G. FAIST.

The Joys of Life

are influenced by circumstances and surroundings. The
person who is comfortable in body and mind is best able
to take life pleasantly. Do you know the comfort of
being

**Perfectly
Tailored ?**

If you have been wearing ready-made clothes you have
missed that comfort. Let us make your clothes and you
will know the difference without being told. You will
feel better in every way and certainly you'll look better.
It's worth a trial, we assure you.

**Our line of Cloths for Fall and
Winter Suits and Overcoats
is now ready for inspection.**

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Workers of Men's Clothing.

Nervous, Diseased Men

DRS. K. & K. ESTABLISHED 25 YEARS.

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ROBUST MANHOOD

Consultation FREE.
Question Blank for Home Treatment sent FREE.
Prices Low No Cure No Pay.

**We Guarantee to Cure Stricture, Varicocele,
Nervous Debility, Blood Poisons, Vital
Weaknesses, Kidney and Bladder Dis-
eases, and All Diseases Peculiar
to Men and Women.**

Don't waste your time and money on cheap, dangerous, experimental treatment.
Don't increase at your own cost your sufferings by being experimented on with reme-
dies which they claim to have just discovered. They give but temporary relief. But
come to us in confidence. We will treat you conscientiously, honestly and skillfully,
and restore you to health in the shortest possible time with the least medicine, dis-
comfort and expense practicable. Each case is treated as the symptoms indicate.
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