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## Exquisite Taste and Judgment

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### Stockholders Inspect Plant.

A party of Detroit stockholders of the Grant & Wood Manufacturing Co. came up on an inspection tour Wednesday and spent the entire afternoon taking in the factory.

The party included John Grant, Walter E. Flanders, Dr. J. B. Book, J. B. Book, Jr., President Robert M. Brownson, Poy Pelletier, H. A. Gilman, Max Wollering, of Detroit, and A. O. Smith, of Milwaukee, vice president of the company.

They appeared well pleased with the advancement made in getting the factory in shape, and left for Detroit on their special, the Yolande, on the D. U. R. about four o'clock.

The ball department is now turning out over one million balls a week, and the first twenty-five automatic machines are practically complete, some of them now being assembled and running.

It is expected these machines will be placed and the automatic machine product department running by the first of the year or shortly thereafter, in building No. 7.

### The County Fair.

The members of the senior class assisted by local talent will present the play entitled "The County Fair" to-night. With all the preparations that have been made there is no question about the merit of this entertainment, and with the talent that has been secured for the event there is even less question as to the success of the performance. All of the choruses have been carefully trained for the past week and at the rehearsal last night everything went off without a hitch. Those who have the leading parts have been earnestly at work and have perfected themselves in the art of crying out the virtues of circus lemonade or of telling how the elephant can jump the fence. All of the green-eyed monsters and the snake-charmers will be there with their specialties. There is a laugh at every turn and the turns are numerous. Come out and enjoy the evening with the seniors.

### Sunday School Officers.

The following officers were elected at the close of the regular session of the Congregational Sunday School last Sunday.

Superintendent—Mrs. J. Bacon.  
Asst. Superintendent—F. H. Belser.  
Secretary and Treasurer—George Walworth.

Asst. Secretary and Treasurer—Jas. Schmidt.

Librarian—Esther Schenk.  
Asst. Librarian—Carl Chandler.  
Superintendent of Cradle Roll—Mrs. H. W. Schmidt.

Executive Committee—Miss Mary Smith, Mrs. D. H. Wurster, Mrs. F. H. Sweetland.

Saturday evening, December 24, was selected as the time for the annual Christmas entertainment.

### Knights of Pythias Officers.

The following officers of the Knights of Pythias were elected Wednesday evening for the coming year:

C. C.—H. D. Witherell.  
V. C.—R. D. Walker.  
P. T.—G. Speer.

M. W.—O. D. Luick.  
K. of R. & S.—W. H. Henschelwerdt.  
M. F.—Howard Holmes.

M. E.—J. L. Fletcher.  
M. A.—Howard Boyd.  
I. G.—L. Bagge.

O. G.—Paul Bacon.  
Past Chancellor—Geo. BeGole.  
Delegate—T. G. Speer.

Alternate—Geo. A. BeGole.  
Trustee—A. E. Winans.

### L. O. T. M. M. Officers.

Columbian Hive, No. 284, L. O. T. M. M., elected the following officers Tuesday evening:

Past Commander—Ada R. Speer.  
Commander—Alice Stiegelmaier.

Lt. Commander—Emma Leach.  
Record Keeper—Martha E. Shaver.  
Finance Keeper—Mildred Emmett.

Chaplain—Mary A. VanTyne.  
Sergeant—Inez Bagge.

Mistress at Arms—Amelia VanRiper.

Sentinel—Lucy A. Nichols.  
Pianist—Mary Spinnagle.

### Masonic Officers.

Olive Lodge No. 156, F. & A. M., elected the following officers at the annual meeting Tuesday evening:

W. M.—E. J. Whipple.  
S. W.—J. D. Colton.  
J. W.—D. L. Rogers.

Treasurer—J. L. Fletcher.  
Secretary—C. W. Maroney.  
S. D.—John Hathaway.

J. D.—Paul Bacon.  
Tyler—C. T. Conklin.

The Standard "Want" advs. give results. Try them.

### George Miller.

The many friends of George Miller of Lyndon were startled to learn Wednesday morning, of his sudden death, at his home about 10 o'clock Tuesday evening, December 13, 1910.

Mr. Miller was about his usual work Tuesday and when he retired for the night seemed to be in his usual health.

When Mrs. Miller entered the room to retire she heard her husband make a peculiar sound and tried to rouse him but the end had come.

George Miller was born in Alsace, France, May, 1832, of German parentage. He came to this country in 1852 and settled in New York state where he resided until 1861, when he came to Michigan, settling on the farm in Lyndon where he died. In 1862 he returned to the state of New York where he was united in marriage with Miss Josephine Kessler. To this union seven daughters and five sons were born one of the daughters died a few years ago. He is survived by his wife, six daughters and five sons, two brothers, John P. Miller of Chelsea and Charles Miller of Milwaukee, and two sisters who reside in Alsace.

The funeral will be held from the Church of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Saturday morning, his pastor, Rev. W. P. Considine celebrating the mass.

### Old People's Home Notes.

Mr. and Mrs. Livingood, of Detroit, were Sunday visitors at the Home.

Miss Gladys Passage, of the Ypsilanti Normal, made Mrs. Frisbee a week end visit.

Mrs. Fuller, of Tecumseh, came Friday to visit several days with her friend, Mrs. Steinhoff.

The Sunday afternoon service was much enjoyed by all present. We were especially favored with a solo by Miss Passage, and several songs rendered by Mr. Lester of Chelsea accompanied by the guitar.

We all enjoy having the baggage car stop here when it deposits a large box of rosy cheeked apples. However the donor evidently does not wish any thanks, as we have not as yet learned who the party was.

Mrs. Lewis, of New York City, and Mrs. Gilchrist, of Yale, Mich., came Monday to visit their mother, Mrs. Blinn. The former left Tuesday afternoon for Detroit, but Mrs. Gilchrist will remain here several days.

### Ganderbone's Forecast For December.

Tom, Tom, the piper's son,  
Thought to steal another one,  
But when, with bacon 40 cents,  
He thought upon the consequence,  
And what he probably would get  
In case he landed in the net,  
The lawyers he would have to hire  
To save him from the butcher's ire,  
The money Cudahy would spend  
To push it to the bitter end,  
The merciless concern of Swift  
To see he was not set adrift,  
The sum that Armour, if he fled,  
Would offer for him live or dead,  
And how the unforgiving lust  
For vengeance would move the trust  
To make example of him lest  
Some other piper's son protest  
Against pork chops at thirty flat,  
And pickled pigs' feet selling at  
Six-bits a dozen, sousé a bit,  
And sausage even close to it—  
When Tom considered it, in brief,  
And also how much more a thief  
He would be this time than before,  
He wisely passed the butcher's door,  
Rejoiced that self had stood the test,  
And went on hoping for the best.

December is from the Latin decem, meaning ten. It was originally the tenth month of the year, but owing to the widespread unpreparedness for Christmas it has been shoved along from time to time, until it occurs now as far back as we have been able to get it. Caesar, who was in the habit of making each of his soldiers some kind of a present, even suggested pushing it further along still and having about fifteen months in the year, but the Roman merchants protested that it was impossible to sell holiday goods except in very cold weather, and Brutus, Cassius and several other Roman business men finally stabbed him.

The custom of giving presents was originated by the Greeks, and they had such a faculty for getting the better of it when they exchanged presents with anyone that the expression "Beware of the Greeks bearing gifts" became historic. It was on a Christmas day when all the Greeks were showing what they had gotten and were laughing about it that Diogenes, who made a practice of criticising the national faults in some amusing way, set out on his famous search for an honest man. The Persians one time resorted to arms in an effort to get their presents back, but

they were badly defeated at the battle of Marathon, and no serious attempt to get presents back has ever been made from that time to this.

The colt will burrow in the stack, and the festive calf will arch his back and gambol at a fearful gait to make his ichor circulate. The bear will slumber in his bed and dream that Roosevelt is dead, and the winter night will worry through with the wolf ki-yi-ing down the flue.

The wind will push against the door, and our old friend Boreas will roar and fill the winter night and fell with samples of his college yell. The price of eggs will feel imbued to beat the mark for altitude, and butter will cavort around about two miles above the ground.

O happy man that has his hold stocked up against the Winter's cold, and has no urgent need to reckon how many storms may sweep his deck. Who has his scuppers bulging kraut and all things ship-shape in and out, and all the products of his climate right at the port-holes all the time?

O happy day that fixed our pick up on this land and bade us stick our new-born colors in the ground and claim the country lying 'round! And cheers, moreover, one, two, three, for freedom's aborigine, who did not prove so awful stout but what we all could throw him out!

It is the place, and no mistake, for raising provender to bake, and giving freely of the least essential to a Christmas feast. A bug or so is on the job, and the weather frequently plays hob, but on the whole and in the sum we're dog-gone happy that we come.

On the 21st of December the sun will cross the Tropic of Capricorn, which will give the trusts the ball on our five-yard line, one down to go. They will go over on the next play, and Mr. Rockefeller, who is playing greenback for the trusts this year, will kick goal. The feature of Christmas will be that Mr. Roosevelt won't have any. He isn't taking any chances of Santa Claus even handing him anything else this year.

Our Mr. Morgan will revert  
To hanging up his spacious shirt,  
And tying up the tail to pot  
Whatever Santa Claus has got.  
O woe is us! How tough it is  
To hang our stockings under his!  
But faith is hope, and hope is trust,  
And some fine day the tail will bust.

As many things have bust before,  
And bing! on the parlor floor will go  
The Christmas odds and ends with  
Which his catch-em-all distends. The costly presents and the rare, and while we all grab here and there for each his share of it the mirth of Santa Claus will fill the earth.

Those merry peals which rouse the dead will wake the echoes overhead, and laughter flavored with reprover reverberate around the roof. He never meant we should pervert the day with hanging up a shirt, nor ever thought, by any chance, of filling Rockefeller's pants.

A sockful each is all there is, and woe to him who takes for his greater portion, hook or crook, than each originally took. For every person that descends to tying pants around the ends, and closing shirts around the base there is a reckoning to face.

The laws of Santa Claus are good, and in the end are what we would desire they were—that is to say that this is everybody's day. A single sock above the fire is all a body should require, and there before the glowing log nobody keen to be the hog.

In such a spirit was it said that all days are to go ahead except this one, which was designed for everyone to get behind. The merry holidays will come, and Santa, sliding on his tum, will belly buster to the grate, and do his best, at any rate.

What remains of Congress will exchange experiences at Washington during the month, and the man who sends Mr. Taft the biggest Christmas turkey will get a good outside job around the White House.

Then January will be here  
To cheer us now and then,  
And in the glad and new-born year  
We'll all swear off again.

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### BREVITIES

GRASS LAKE—John Hayes of this place has been drawn to serve as a juror at the January term of the circuit court.

MILAN—The Milan State Savings Bank capitalized at \$25,000 has been organized and will commence doing business in Milan January 1, 1911.

SOUTH LYON—At South Lyon the two railroad companies have issued orders to the effect, "All minors, unaccompanied by their parents, will not be permitted to lounge about the depot."

JACKSON—Captain B. H. Dorcy, United States army, retired, who has been instructor of the Michigan National guard for several years, has made formal application to be relieved from his duties. His request will be approved by Governor Warner and Captain Dorcy will sever his connection with the state troops at once.

TECUMSEH—Fred Kolkloesch was arrested Wednesday afternoon before Justice Bennett of Adrian, charged with violating the local option law. The complaint is that he sells blackberry cider, a beverage which contains over 4 per cent of alcohol. He demanded a jury trial, which was set for Monday, December 19.—News.

BRIGHTON—Constable James Morgan has been on the look-out for Robert E. Mullen the night operator who left here last September and last week located him at the B. O. tower, some seven miles out from Delray at the end of the Wabash double track road. He went there on Thursday and returned with his man on Friday, who settled the unpaid board bill of about \$11.00 also the expenses by giving an accepted order on the Wabash Railroad.—Argo.

BLISSFIELD—The reward offered by the village council for information concerning the recent destruction of electric light lamps has already brought results. Information has been lodged by a citizen against a boy twelve years of age whom he caught using the electric lights near the sugar factory as targets. When asked what he was about the lad told the citizen it was "none of his d-d business." In view of the youth of the offender the authorities hardly know what to do but will make an effort to send him to the reform school.—Advance.

HOWELL—The question of expending a large sum of money in repairing the county infirmary, or the selling of the farm and building a county hospital, is being generally discussed throughout the county. Some of the farmers' clubs have taken up the discussion of the question. This question will most likely come to a vote before the electors April 3.—Democrat.

PLYMOUTH—The second mile of good road east out of Plymouth, has been completed, extending past Jas. Joy's house. That constructed a year ago suffered considerably from the heavy loads of gravel drawn over it with the heavy road engines while the ground was soft. When the final dressing and leveling is done in the spring it will be a fine stretch of first class road.—Mail.

JACKSON—Adam Markle has been returned to Jackson prison from Benton Harbor for violating his parole. He was sentenced here ten years ago for burglary, and on November 21 was released on parole. It is said he was intoxicated most of the time he was out. He was given thirty days for drunkenness, and the prison officials heard of this and went after him. He has five years yet to serve.

TECUMSEH—The son of John A. Poucher, in Medina township, made a startling discovery upon going into the hay barn—a portion of a canvas mail sack, in which was some official mail matter and private papers belonging to Postmaster Humphrey, of Fayette, Ohio, which postoffice was robbed a short time ago of about \$700 worth of stamps. The boy in his search picked up what he supposed to be a bottle of whisky, which he carelessly threw aside. Upon further examination it was found to be nitroglycerine, and it is a wonder that an explosion did not follow when the lad threw it aside. It is supposed that the yeggmen divided their spoils in the Poucher barn and then escaped on a freight train on the Wabash which passes near by.

### Marvelous Discoveries

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### EVOLUTION OF THE NECKTIE

It Was Intended at First to Protect the Throat, and Its History Dates Back to the Stuarts.

The necktie, now a purely ornamental detail of dress, once had a distinctly practical use. It was intended to protect the throat. Its history may be traced from the time of the Stuarts in England, when immense ruffs which served as neckcloths and collars, were worn. Later neckcloths or cravats were adopted, and no doubt were a welcome change from the stiff, uncomfortable ruff. They were of Brussels or Flanders lace, tied in a knot under the chin, and the ends being allowed to hang square. Still later they were worn much longer, the ends being passed through the button holes of the waistcoat.

The lace neckcloth was succeeded by small cambric bands, but was reintroduced in Queen Anne's time, and did not go out of use entirely until about 1735. Then a broad silk ribbon, tied in a large bow in front, was worn, and this in turn was followed by a white cambric stock buckled in the back, and by muslin cravats, which were tied in front in an immense bow.

In the early part of the last century the stiff linen collar had begun to be worn, and the cravat was passed twice around the collar, and tied in a fanciful bow in front. About 1820 cravats were made very wide in the center, and tapered off toward the ends. Forty years ago stocks and cravats began to disappear and scarfs to take their place. From these scarfs, gradually growing smaller, was developed the modern neat necktie.

### THACKERAY'S DAMAGED NOSE

Inquiry About It Embarrassed Dinner Table Guest, Who Was the One Who Broke It.

Thackeray occasionally met in society, and I remember perpetrating a dreadful blunder during a dinner at which he was one of the guests. As luck would have it, I chanced to be placed next to a Mr. Venables, to whom I had only been introduced that evening. He seemed a pleasant man and we were soon engaged in an agreeable conversation, which eventually turned upon the great satirist sitting some little distance away, with whom I observed my neighbor appeared to be well acquainted. Thinking this was a good opportunity of clearing up a point about which at that time I was completely ignorant, I asked him: "Perhaps you can tell me whether the malformation of Mr. Thackeray's nose is natural or the result of an accident?"

To my great surprise, Mr. Venables seemed much upset by my question,



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stammering out, "It was injured in an accident at school." I could not understand his confusion, but, asking some one its reason after dinner, fully realized what an unfortunate question I had asked, when I learned that it was Mr. Venables who, as a boy at school, had broken Thackeray's nose in a fight.—Exchange.

### Dismal as a Greek Pirate.

Mr. Churchill's holiday adventures in the near east have not been quite so picturesque as those of another British parliamentarian who went yachting and touring there 80 years ago. "You should see me," wrote Disraeli from his friend, James Clay's yacht, "in the costume of a Greek pirate—a blood-red shirt with silver studs as big as shillings, an immense scarf for girdle, full of pistols and daggers, red cap, red slippers, broad blue-striped jacket and trousers." The party visited an Albanian bey; he could not understand their language nor they his, but his wine and their brandy put them on terms. "The bey drank all the brandy; the room turned round; the wild attendants who sat at our feet seemed dancing in strange and fantastic whirls. The bey shook hands with me; he shouted English, I Greek. 'Very good,' he had caught up from us. 'Kalo, kalo,' was my rejoinder. He roared; I smacked him on the back. I remember no more."—London Chronicle.

### Sport in British East Africa.

One day, having carefully spied our ground, we decided to go after a rhino. The wind was right, but when we were within 300 yards of him two lions and a lioness jumped up. "Simba, simba," lion, whispered the excited gun-bearer, and hurriedly changing our solid bullets for soft-nosed, we got on our ponies and had a most exciting few minutes. The lioness was the most aggressive, and gave us a good deal of trouble before she was killed. We also shot the two lions. It took the men some time to skin them, and

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### Probate Order.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, County of Washtenaw, 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 14th day of December, in the year one thousand nine hundred and ten.

Present, Emory E. Leland, Judge of Probate. In the matter of the estate of Mary E. Clark, deceased.

John Clark, administrator of said estate, having filed in this court his final account, and praying that the same may be heard and allowed.

It is Ordered, that the 6th day of January next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate Office be appointed for hearing said account.

And it is further Ordered, that a copy of this order be published three successive weeks previous to said time of hearing, in the Chelsea Standard a newspaper printed and circulating in said County of Washtenaw.

EMORY E. LELAND, Judge of Probate. [A true copy.] DORCAS C. DONOGAN, Register.

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having seen this done and sent the porters back to camp we rode quietly homewards. On our arrival we had quite a reception; the porters ran out to meet us, shouting and singing, and dancing around the lion skins in the most absurd manner to the accompaniment of a grunting chorus.—Wide World Magazine.

### Not Prepared to Say.

"Which," asked Mrs. Oldcastle, "has first place in your estimation, Titian or Velasquez?" "Well, really," her hostess replied, as she put her new \$20,000 tiara into the jewel box, "I ain't never thought much about it. It seems to me most of the high priced ones are about the same, if you've got a mechanician that understand 'em."

On motion board adjourned.

## Xmas Presents!

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Ingenious Method Which Enables Shippers to Follow Every Movement of Goods.

An ingenious method of tracing every movement of a freight shipment has been invented.

The tracer consists of a red cover, a little larger than a post card, in which are a number of perforated post cards which can be torn out. Each card has its individual number. The shipper fills out the blanks on its first page with the number of the car containing the shipment and other data, and also with any instructions that he wishes to give agents along the route.

The tracer is turned over to the agent at the point of origin, who fills out blanks showing when the shipment started. Then he sends the tracer on by railroad mail to the agent at the next big city or division point, or to the junction where the shipment is turned over to another line.

When the agent there sends the shipment on, he makes a record of the transaction, with the date and hour on a blank attached to the tracer and a carbon sheet makes the same record on a postal card, which is numbered No. 1, and also bears the tracer number. This post card is then torn out and mailed back to the shipper, who files it. The tracer itself goes on to the next division point, where the agent makes the same sort of a record, mailing the post card back to the shipper, and so on until the delivery is recorded on the tracer itself. The tracer then is mailed either to the shipper or consignee.

If there are indications of damage to the shipment at any point, they are noted by the agent at the time he receives the shipment on the post card which he mails back to the shipper, who thus can tell on what line the injury is done.

It is asserted that the tracer is invaluable not only in keeping the shipper in close touch with his freight, so that he can tell immediately if there is any unnecessary delay, and if so, where it is, but the post cards also give him a history of the shipment as it goes forward, which will aid greatly in settling claims and save a great amount of correspondence.

**Argentina.**

So far from being a "trifling country," Argentina is one of the most important countries of the earth. Her area is about 600,000 square miles, or nearly three times that of the German empire. In 1909 the imports were valued at \$300,000,000, the exports at \$397,000,000. She is the greatest corn exporter in the world and the first exporter of meats. In the exportation of wool and wheat she is second, with a fair chance of soon becoming first. In the variety and number of its live stock Argentina surpasses every other country. Thirty years ago her cultivated land was 1,000,000; now it is 14,000,000. More than \$900,000,000 of English capital is invested in Argentina. There is not on earth a more progressive land.

**The Inns of Chancery.**

Most of the old Inns of Chancery are no more. Clement's inn, where Falstaff and Shallow "heard the chimes at midnight;" New inn, of which Sir Thomas More was a member; Lyon's inn, where Coke once taught the students; Furnival's inn, where Charles Dickens lived; Thavies inn, which was one of the earliest of all the legal settlements in London; Barnard's inn, where Lord Chief Justice Holt was among the "principals"—all these historic places have, "in the change and chance of time," disappeared from view. Staple inn remains in its ancient state by the good will of the insurance company that purchased it some twenty years ago.—Law Journal.

**Mushrooms.**

It would be idle to attempt a word on mushrooms in this narrow space. They are almost of infinite variety, yet have certain permanent marks by which they are easily distinguished from the poisonous fungi. A true mushroom is never large in size, but seldom exceeding four or five inches in diameter. As regards mushroom poisoning and its antidote, the dangerous principle is a narcotic, and the symptoms are usually great nausea, drowsiness and stupor, attended by acute pains in the joints. The best thing to do in case of "mushroom poisoning" is to partake freely of pure olive oil, which will, nine times out of ten, prove effective.

**Nibbles the Wood.**

"I'm tired of this old joke about a woman sharpening a pencil with her husband's razor."

"There's nothing in it. No woman sharpens a pencil. She gnaws it to a point."—Washington Herald.

**In the latest Style**

Beas—What make of airship is that just passing over?

Dorothy—Oh! that's one of the old style; all the new ones have star shields for the wings.

**In 1925.**

**Governor—Get hold of the state aviator.**

**Executive Secretary—And then?**

**Governor—Here is a request for the extradition of one Jones, who is flying over our state and must be caught and returned.**

## STATE PRISON BOARD MUST QUIT OFFICE

CHASE OSBORN TO CALL FOR RESIGNATIONS IMMEDIATELY UPON ASSUMING OFFICE.

THERE IS TOO MUCH FRICTION ON THE BOARD SAYS THE NEWLY ELECTED GOVERNOR.

New Executive Studying Other State Institutions and May Start General House Cleaning.

Gov.-elect Chase S. Osborn will request the Jackson prison board to resign immediately after he takes office. The term of G. W. Merriam, of Hartford, expires on Feb. 15 next, and, of course, he will be out, but Mr. Osborn will also ask Judge John W. Adams, of Kalamazoo, and T. J. Navin, of Detroit, the other two members, for their resignations, to take effect at once. Judge Adams has two years yet to serve and Mr. Navin four.

It is also believed that Mr. Osborn will pursue a similar course at several other state institutions.

The exact details of the intention of the next governor are being kept discreetly under cover.

While there is nothing official from the governor-elect's side of the matter, it is pretty well known to his friends that he believes the present board of Jackson prison has indulged in too much quarreling and that the institution has suffered in consequence. There is also the naming of a new warden to be considered. It is whispered that Mr. Osborn would like to see John T. Owen, of Benton Harbor, appointed and will use his influence in that direction. It is possible that he is of the opinion that if two members of the present board remain they might not agree with his choice of a warden, but leave the position in the same condition it has been since the Armstrong graft scandal, the appointment of Warden Stone being recognized as but temporary.

So far as other state institutions are concerned, it is an open secret that their conduct has been closely scrutinized by the new governor and it would occasion no surprise if he also made a demand for the resignation of other controlling boards. Of course, if anyone whose resignation is requested refuses to accede to the request, the governor would be powerless unless he could bring definite charges of wrong conduct against the men in question.

Gov. Pingree attempted to arbitrarily remove the board of control of Jackson prison, but was not able to do so.

As there has been never any question of the motives of the Jackson board, such criticism as has been directed toward them being entirely on the ground that there was too much friction among the members, it is not certain that Mr. Osborn will take any action if Messrs. Adams and Navin should refuse to resign.

**Rebuild Jackson Prison on Farm.**

According to Attorney Thomas J. Navin, who is a member of the board of control of Jackson prison, a comprehensive plan will be laid before the coming legislature looking toward the rebuilding of the prison on a farm outside the city, and the ultimate employment of all the convicts on state account.

The legislature will be asked to appropriate money for the purchase of a farm of several hundred acres to furnish produce for the prison. If this is secured, 20 acres will be inclosed with a wall, the work to be done by convict labor. An appropriation will then be asked for new buildings, the plan being to remove the new steel block now in use and build another.

There are four contracts now running in the prison, the longest being that with the Michigan Seating company, which manufactures fiber chairs. It will not expire for five years, and by that time the board expects to be able to start on a self-supporting basis by taking over the chair contract and enlarging the binder twine plant, the rest of the convicts to be worked on the prison farm, all to be placed on a wage schedule. In the meantime the board would favor utilizing the convicts in building good roads.

If the present prison is retained a new cell block costing \$225,000 will have to be built and the members of the board are convinced that the entire rebuilding of the institution in a more favorable location and with the advantages of a farm is by far the better plan.

The supreme court has settled a feud that has lasted 40 years at Owosso by handing down a decision that a line fence on the farm of William Parsons must be left where it was originally placed. Seward Bills, a neighbor, and Parsons often fought over the location of the fence.

An hour after he received a telegram telling of the death of his stepmother in Chicago, Dr. G. C. Chamberlain, a Flint physician, received a second message stating that his father, B. O. Chamberlain, a former resident of Flint, had also died in Chicago. Both expired of pneumonia.

A member of the state railway commission announced that no steps to safeguard the grade crossing in Kalamazoo will be taken by the commission until after the railroads entering the city have presented their side of the case, at a meeting to be held in Lansing soon.

W. B. Mershon, of Saginaw, president of the Michigan Sportsman's association, has appointed a committee to push legislation for better game laws. The committee is: James Swan, Detroit; Thornton Dixon, Monroe; Albert Stickley, Grand Rapids; C. V. Townsend, Negaunee; George Pardee, Owosso.

## AGAINST PRIVATE BANKS

Atty.-Gen. Kuhn Says They Cannot Be Depositories for County Funds.

In an opinion given Thursday Attorney-General Kuhn holds that a board of supervisors cannot lawfully designate a private bank as a depository of county funds, and the opinion was presented to Banking Commissioner Zimmerman.

"The legislature has passed a law providing for the incorporation of banks and making them subject to state supervision," said Attorney-General Kuhn. "Under the federal law providing for the organization of national banks, the stockholders are liable for double the amount of the stock held by them. It seems to me that when reference is made in the statute to a bank, it means an incorporated bank, organized under the state or national banking laws."

A private banker, so-called, conducts his business under chapter 133 of the compiled laws of 1897, the same being an act relative to brokers and exchange dealers. The law prohibits the private banker from putting up any sign tending to convey the impression that the place of business is an organized bank. If he advertises, he must use his individual name and may add thereto "bank," "banking office" or "exchange office." I cannot think the place of business of one conducting a private bank is a bank within the meaning of act 99 of the public acts of 1909."

The ruling will undoubtedly serve to bring to a climax the hard fight which has been waged for many years between the state banks and the private banks over the question of forcing the latter institutions to either come under state supervision or retire from business.

For several sessions of the legislature there have been efforts made to force these banks to accept state supervision, but they have always succeeded in staving off the legislation.

## STATE BRIEFS.

Mayor Burke of Owosso has been asked to close the Sunday theaters.

A floating debt of about \$5,000 on the Bay City Y. M. C. A. was nearly raised by popular subscription last week.

Three members of the Moran and Lashbrook families, in Wales township, buildings were among the best in the village.

Gov. Warner has appointed Frank J. Dibble, of Marshall, county agent of Calhoun county, to succeed C. E. Hills, of Battle Creek, resigned.

When an advance in price of all coal was announced in Saginaw the inspectors ordered all coal wagons on the city scales before delivery.

Confident that he was about to die, Robert Schley, of Marshall, a veteran of the civil war, wrote his autobiography, made a will and expired the next morning.

Oliver Van Horn, 55, living with his wife and six children near Kingston, took his life by hanging. His body was found in the barn. It is supposed he was mentally deranged.

August Goveare, of Mt. Clemens, whose wife and son killed Sheriff Matthews, was acquitted by a jury of a charge of cruelty to animals. The court room was crowded.

The State Horticultural society, in Benton Harbor, passed a resolution demanding a state horticultural department for the purpose of bringing up the standard of Michigan fruit.

Sixty convicts of the Ionia reformatory have applied to the state pardon board for paroles to spend Christmas with their families. It is expected that most of them will receive their freedom.

James Cavanaugh, of Cadillac, poor superintendent, has been removed from office because, it is alleged, he refused to aid Angus Cameron, an aged man, who sought the county's bounty.

Patrick Sims, of Carleton, slipped from a haymow and his right hand caught on a nail. He remained suspended for an hour until his cries were heard and his wife came to his assistance.

Pigat Zoa, of Battle Creek, lived three hours with his skull, hips and both legs fractured. He was crushed by a falling crane at the Grand Trunk shops. He was 35 years old and leaves a widow.

Prosecutor N. W. Dunan, of Lake City, was placed under arrest on a charge of contempt of court preferred by Justice of the Peace Charles Williams E. C. Ferris, of Stittsville, was sentenced to 10 days in jail for a similar offense.

Charles W. Dobbins, sales manager for the Marshall Furniture Co., and proprietor of two Marshall theaters, and Miss Delta Lois Seeger, a former piano player in one of the playhouses, eloped to Kalamazoo and were married.

The annual meeting of the Tri-county Farm S' Institute was held in Cadillac. Delegates from Wexford, Osceola and Missaukee counties were in attendance. Plans were discussed for representation at the Chicago land show next year.

Church services were not held Sunday in Boyne City on account of a scarlet fever epidemic, traceable to a local dairy. Milk deliveries have been stopped. A quarantine on all public meeting places will be maintained at least two weeks.

Bay City wants the next legislature to give it the state home for defective children which was recommended established by the State Teachers' association and the board of charities and corrections. State Senator Collins has prepared a bill providing for such a home and fixing Bay City as its location.

The Young Men's Business association, which has been the means of obtaining a number of new industries for Port Huron, has elected the following officers: President, John O. Adams; vice-president, Arthur Canham; secretary, Asa H. Browne; treasurer, Daniel D. Brown.

## STATE FARMERS' CLUBS IN SESSION

Michigan Association Recommends Many New Laws.

CONEMNS FAIR MANAGEMENT

Resolution Which Would Bar the Literature of Wholesale Liquor Dealers From United States Mail Was Turned Down.

Lansing.—The State Association of Farmers' Clubs in session here, went on record with recommendations on a dozen questions of national legislation. The resolutions governing the temperance question were toned down to a general denunciation of the saloon and a recommendation for legislation that would make it impossible to have liquor shipped into a "dry" territory.

A resolution recommending the enactment of a law which would bar the literature of wholesale liquor dealers from the United States mail, was turned down. The question of state-wide prohibition was left untouched.

The association condemned the management of the state fair for allowing the sale of liquor on the state fair grounds, but no specific charges were made against any director or officer. When the resolutions were presented they contained one favoring an amendment of the state constitution in a manner which would permit woman suffrage. The resolution was adopted. The association also gave favorable consideration to a resolution which asked national legislation providing for the expenditure of a sum on highways equal to that spent on waterways. The following is a summary of the resolution adopted for state legislation:

In favor of the appropriation of a sum sufficient to erect a new auditorium for the Michigan Agricultural college.

In favor of civil service in all state departments.

In favor of increasing automobile licenses and applying the residue to the construction of county roads.

In favor of a closed season on quail and partridge for ten years.

In favor of allowing grocers and butchers to peddle their products through the country without a license.

The association adopted resolutions favoring the following national legislation:

The direct election of United States senators.

Better currency and banking laws, tending to do away with the influence of the money market by Wall street manipulators.

Equitable revision of the Payne tariff law by a non-partisan commission.

Equitable reciprocity with Canada.

Conservation of national resources.

Laws increasing power of interstate commerce commission.

**State Farms Increase in Wealth.**

The census report on the agricultural status of Michigan, made public, shows the aggregate value of farm lands and buildings in the state to be \$897,058,000, an increase for the decade of 54 per cent.

There are 206,376 farms, with a total acreage of 18,913,000, of which 12,819,000 is improved. The average size of farms is 92 acres, and the average value \$46 an acre.

Increases over 1900 are as follows:

In expenditures for fertilizers, 90 per cent; in total value of farm buildings, 75 per cent; in expenditures for labor, 76 per cent; in value of farm implements and machinery, 73 per cent; in value of farm land, 45 per cent; in average value an acre of farm land and buildings, 39 per cent; in average value an acre of farm land, 33 per cent; in total improved farm acreage, 9 per cent; in total farm acreage, 8 per cent; in average acres a farm, 7 per cent, and in the whole number of farms, 2 per cent.

**More Room for Feeble Minded.**

The state association of the superintendents of the poor in session here re-elected the following officers: President, Andrew J. Dale, Bellaire; vice-president, V. H. Billings, Grand Rapids; secretary, W. A. Prater, Paw Paw. These officers, with J. H. Brinling of Ypsilanti and Arthur Van Duren of Holland will constitute the legislative committee. The association has decided to incorporate in order to make their organization stronger.

The legislative committee will ask the legislature that an addition be built at the home of the feeble minded at LaPeur; that some laws be passed by which the needy deformed persons of the state may be aided; that the reports of the association be rendered to the state board of corrections and charities, instead of the secretary of state. About 100 superintendents and matrons are in attendance.

**Ice Cream Men to Meet.**

Michigan Association of Ice Cream Manufacturers will hold its fifth annual convention at Hotel Wentworth, Lansing, this month, and with an attractive program. The officers and members expect this meeting to be one of the most successful in the history of the association. The ice cream business has more than doubled in the past five years. The improvement of the quality and the better facilities in manufacturing has had a great deal to do with this.

## Farmers Demand the Parcel Post.

The eighteenth annual convention of the State Association of Farmers' clubs, in session in Representative hall, adopted resolutions on national matters as follows:

For election of United States senators by direct vote; for better banking and currency laws so that stock jobbing and other sharp financial doings, which precipitate panics, can be prevented; for reciprocity with Canada; for better laws for the conservation of national resources; for an amendment to the interstate commerce law so that the commission can give favorable terms to shippers, which do not amount to discrimination; to prohibit the shipment of liquor into communities that have voted "dry;" to strengthen the anti-trust laws; also one which reads:

"We have reason to believe that the express companies have dominated and controlled congress and persistently defeated all efforts towards establishing a parcels post system."

Therefore, resolved, that this association will in the future disregard political affiliations and support only those candidates for public office who will vote for a parcels post law, and for all other measures advocated by this association."

Resolutions on state questions will be adopted. The association incorporated so as to be in position to receive money from the national government, which is given to all such associations when incorporated. These officers have been elected: President, B. A. Holden, Wixom; vice-president, J. D. Leland, Shiawassee; secretary, Mrs. C. P. Johnson, Hadley; treasurer, Mrs. Lewis Sackett, Calhoun; directors, Patrick Hanked, Jackson; C. P. Johnson, Hadley.

**Women's Labor Law is Upheld.**

The constitutionality of the women's labor law, an act passed at the last session of the legislature, was sustained by the supreme court in an opinion rendered, and the statute which requires that manufacturers or shopkeepers shall not force their women employees to work more than 54 hours a week cannot be violated without fear of prosecution.

Some time ago State Labor Commissioner Richard Fletcher started proceedings against the International Seal &amp; Lock company of Hastings in the Barry county circuit court for the violation of the law, but the case was decided against the state, and acting for the labor commission, Attorney General Kuhn carried it to the court of last resort.

Section 9 of the act in question is as follows:

"No female shall be employed in any factory, mill, warehouse, work shop, clothing, dressmaking or millinery establishment, or any place where the manufacture of any kind of goods is carried on, or where any good are prepared for manufacturing, or in any laundry, store, shop or any other mercantile establishment, for a period longer than an average of nine hours per day, or 54 hours in any one week, nor more than ten hours in any one day, provided, however, that the provisions of this section in relation to the hours of employment shall not apply to nor affect any person engaged in preserving perishable goods in fruit or canning establishments."

**Would Cut "Pull" of Supervisors.**

In order to prepare recommendations for legislative action for the consideration of the county superintendents of the poor of Michigan, the legislative committee of that organization consulted with Secretary M. T. Murray of the state board of corrections and charities.

President A. J. Dole of Bellaire, has some very decided ideas as to the legislation which ought to be passed by the coming legislature, although he says that there are so many express supervisors in the legislature that he doubts the possibility of securing any reform. He objects very decidedly to the part that supervisors play in looking after the poor, hinting that in many rural districts supervisors are continued in office because of the assistance they give families from the poor fund, when in reality a great share of this is not merited.

President Dole would do away with the right of the supervisors to investigate requests for county help and also not have so many local officers as are now doing that work. He would not pay the county superintendents of the poor a salary, but according to what they do, or by the day. He believes that the \$150 or \$200 often paid is not at all adequate to get competent men to do this work.

**Poor Superintendents Meet.**

Superintendents of the poor from different parts of the state met for the opening session of their seventh annual convention. W. H. Gatney and E. H. Westcott of Ionia and M. M. Stover of the Van Buren County infirmary, read papers. The evening session was held at the Industrial school chapel and included addresses by Doctor Parker of Detroit and Superintendent Lawson.

**Supreme Court.**

The supreme court met and disposed of the following matters:

Rehearings were granted in Painter vs. Lebanon Land company and in Benewell vs. North American Accident Insurance company, and denied in Hogle vs. Meyerling, Carmell vs. Parr, Poteskey &amp; Bay Shore Gas company, O'Leary, Brink vs. Purnell, McCann vs. Davis, Pearl vs. Pearl, Union Trust company vs. Electric Park Amusement company.

## PURE FABRIC LAW IDEA OF MURDOCK

Projected Bill Would Reveal Amounts of Cotton and Wool in Cloth.

TAFI'S PLAN TO SAVE PARTY

President Wants Republicans to Unite and Legalize a Genuine Tariff Commission—Next Year's Budget Will Be Fully One Billion.

By GEORGE CLINTON.

Washington.—It is said on seemingly good authority that President Taft has given his sanction to a bill far reaching in its effect which will compel the affixing to cloths which enter interstate commerce of a statement of the amount of cotton and of wool which they contain. This measure is called here in Washington a "textile pure food bill." The framer of the measure, Victor Murdock of Kansas, says that no reason exists why the consumer should not know how much wool and how much cotton he is getting in his clothes just as he knows under the pure food law how much adulteration he is getting.

An effort is being made to get the two Republican factions in congress to pass a measure of this kind. It is expected that there will be a good deal of opposition and it may be that the "pure fabric law" will have as long a journey to passage as that which the pure food law took before it arrived at its station on the statute books.

**Taft's Tariff Commission Plan.**

As a fixed daily task President Taft is laboring to bring together the Republican factions in congress in order that he may secure legislation legalizing a genuine tariff commission. One year ago Mr. Taft might have worked nights as well as days along the same line of endeavor and at the end of 24 hours he would have been at the beginning, for the regulars and insurgents were so hostile to one another that attempts to patch a peace would have been met not only sulkily, but defiantly.

This year Mr. Taft, so the men close to him say, has some real hope that he can induce Mr. Cummins, Mr. La Follette, Mr. Murdock and others to link arms with Mr. Aldrich, Mr. Hale, Mr. Boutelle and others and to present a united effort on behalf of a tariff commission. It remains yet to be seen whether the president will be successful, but the politicians say he thinks if a genuine tariff commission is sanctioned and is allowed to go to work in a businesslike way to pass on "proper and improper duties," that the Democrats next year when they are in control of the house will not think it wise to upset the legislation. All this is mere speculation, but it casts a light on one of the chief ends of the administration's winter endeavor and on the views of some of the Republicans of what they must do in order to save the presidential election to their party.

**Shall We Fortify the Canal?**

The layman who is neither a legislator nor an army officer would find himself unquestionably confused, but probably interested, if he were here in Washington to listen to the arguments for and against the erection of fortifications by Uncle Sam to guard the Panama Canal. A great many of the legislators are opposed to fortifying the waterway, while virtually all the army officers are in favor of it. President Taft has endorsed the fortification plan strongly in his annual message, in which he says:

"It is also well known that one of the chief objects in the construction of the canal has been to increase the military effectiveness of our navy. By convention we have indicated our desire for, and indeed undertaken, its universal and equal use. Failure to fortify the canal would leave the attainments of both these aims in the position of rights and obligations which we should be powerless to enforce and which could never in any other way be absolutely safeguarded against a desperate and irresponsible enemy."

The arguments which pass between the legislator and the army officer on the question of whether or not big guns ought to be placed on the isthmus run something like this:

**The legislator says:** "The canal should be neutralized, and all nations should be asked to bind themselves to preserve its neutrality. In this way we will be saved the expense of fortification and all danger of the canal's destruction in time of war will be averted."

**The army officer says:** "An ounce of gun metal is worth a pound of neutralization. If a country at war with the United States finds it to its advantage to blow up the canal, the canal will be blown up. The promise to keep the peace would be whistled down the wind in a minute. The only way to keep the enemy off is to stand him off with a gun. The canal cost hundreds of millions. Under neutralization it could be destroyed in a night."

**Budget at Least a Billion.**

At this stage of the session of congress some of the appropriation bills have been little more than skeletons, but it is perfectly apparent even at this early date

of the government. The fiscal year will be at least \$1,000,000,000. Years ago representatives of the party in opposition used to say that the extravagance of their government was giving the country a "million dollar congress."

At the time this charge was made, it was one of the highest flights of rhetorical extravagance, and it is doubtful if even those who made it thought that the day would come for some of the years when congress would be called upon to appropriate \$1,000,000,000 in a single year for the expenses of the government.

Natural growth is responsible in a measure for the vast increase in the expenses of running Uncle Sam's household. Twenty years ago the government cost each year about \$300,000,000. It costs about \$140,000,000. The establishment of the Philippines necessitated an increase in the army, and the army appropriation bill is bigger than ever. Naturally all departments have grown at a pace in keeping with the growth in population, and so today, much sooner than was expected, the "billion dollar congress" is an accomplished fact.

The presidents of the United States one after another always have urged economy. It made no difference whether it was Cleveland, Democrat, or Harrison, or any other president, Republican, the plea for economy went from the White House to Capitol Hill each year. In the past year perhaps the saving admonition has been more sharp and pointed than before, for apparently the president, with other American citizens, has been somewhat staggered by the mere sight of the figures in the government's expense account.

**Taft Wants Just Debts Paid.**

No president, however, no matter to which party he has belonged, ever has asked congress to refuse to authorize the payment of Uncle Sam's just debts. President Taft has urged economy constantly, but like other presidents before him he this year has urged strongly that congress do justice to the persons who have valid claims against the government and who cannot get their money.

Uncle Sam has a court of claims. The judges are as hard worked as, and perhaps harder worked than, any of the other federal jurists. They are obliged to pass judgment on the validity of claims made against the United States by private individuals. If the court finds that the claims are just, all it can do is to say so and to inform congress that the United States owes Henry Nelson or Philip Stuyvesant such and such a sum of money. Then Henry Nelson and Philip Stuyvesant go to congress and ask that the money which really belongs to them shall be paid, and congress usually turns a deaf ear. Of course claims are paid from time to time, but many a man with a bill which the courts have O. K'd waits many a long year before he gets his money and then he does not get all he deserves, for no interest is allowed.

In his message to congress this year President Taft urged the payment of the just indebtedness of Uncle Sam. He says this pointedly: "The delay that occurs in the payment of the money due under the claims injures the reputation of the government as an honest debtor, and I earnestly recommend that these claims which come to congress with the judgment and approval of the court of claims should be promptly paid."

**Two Cavalry Leaders Die.**

Recently two officers of high rank on the retired list of the United States army have died, one in this city, and one in Virginia, just across the Potomac river. Major Generals Wesley Merritt and Eugene A. Carr died on the same day. Both were cavalry leaders and one of them, Merritt, died within sight of a battlefield on which he won fame and the stars of a major general when he was only twenty-five years of age.

Both Merritt and Carr were buried a few days ago in the cadet cemetery at West Point on the Hudson river, where they lie close to another famous cavalry leader, George A. Custer, who was killed in a fight with the Sioux Indians on the Little Rosebud June 26, 1876. Custer, like Merritt, was a major general of volunteers at the age of twenty-five years.

General Merritt was one of the familiar figures on Pennsylvania avenue and on the streets about Lafayette Square. Despite his age his frame was well knit and erect, his eyes were alert and his cheeks had the red hue of early youth. Not long ago I saw the general standing in a driving snow storm outside the little Episcopal church of St. John's where many presidents have worshipped. The general was waiting his turn patiently until that part of the services were reached when persons who are not pew holders are allowed to enter the sanctuary. He paid no more attention to the howling elements than if he were a boy of twenty-one and he looked as if he were good for a quarter of a century more of life, and yet today he is dead.

**Carr Famous Indian Fighter.**

Eugene A. Carr, like Merritt, was a West Pointer. His rise was rapid and he was one of the few officers of the United States army who received commissions by acts of congress because of conspicuous personal gallantry in the field.

Carr stayed in the regular service at the close of the civil war and was sent to the plains to begin the untold duty of fighting Indians. Like General Miles, Carr developed a remarkable plainsman's sense. They were perhaps even more tame as Indian fighters than came to them as fighters against men of their own color.







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## CHURCH CIRCLES

## ST. PAULS.

Rev. A. A. Schoen, Pastor.  
Preaching service and Sunday school at the usual hour next Sunday morning.  
The Sunday school will meet at 2 p. m.  
Young People's Society will meet at 7:30 p. m.

## SALEM GERMAN M. E. CHURCH, NEAR FRANCISCO.

Rev. J. E. Beal, Pastor.  
Sunday school at 9:30 a. m.  
German service at 10:30 a. m.  
Epworth League 7:30 p. m. Topic, "From the Watch Tower." Leader, Oscar Kalmbach.  
English service at 7:30 p. m.  
The Christmas service of the Sunday school will take place on Saturday evening, December 24.

## BAPTIST.

Rev. F. L. Blanchard, Pastor.  
Preaching service at 10 a. m. Subject, "What Think Ye of the Christ, Whose Son Is He?"  
Bible school at 11 a. m.  
Young People's meeting at 6 p. m. Subject, "If We Really Love Jesus." Leader, Mrs. Chase.  
Preaching service at 7 p. m. Subject, "Solitary Reflection."  
Cottage prayer meeting Tuesday at 7 p. m. at the home of Mrs. John Gates.  
Church prayer meeting Thursday at 7:15 p. m.

## METHODIST EPISCOPAL.

Rev. J. W. Campbell, Pastor.  
Preaching next Sunday at 10 a. m. Bible study at 11 a. m.  
Junior League at 3 p. m.  
Epworth League devotional service at 6:15 p. m.  
Evening service at 7 o'clock.  
Prayer service on Thursday evening at 7 o'clock.  
The Christmas exercises will be held on Friday evening at 7 o'clock. The members of the Sunday school will render the cantata, "The Story Of The Star." There will be a Christmas tree and a treat for the children. Everybody welcome at all the services.

## CONGREGATIONAL.

Rev. M. L. Grant, Pastor.  
Forefathers day service at 10 a. m. Sermon subject "The Puritan Conscience."  
Sunday school at 11 a. m.  
Young People's meeting at 6:15 p. m. Leader, James Schmidt. Prof. Hendry will speak on "What Is Success?"  
Evening service at 7 o'clock. A special Christmas musical service will be given by the choir under the direction of T. H. Hildebrandt of Ann Arbor. The object of this service is to prepare the people for a rational and joyful celebration of Christmas day. "A Safe and Sane Christmas" will be the subject of a short address by the pastor.

## Board Of Canvassers.

The state board of canvassers met Wednesday and formally completed the papers showing the results of the election. The constitutional amendment allowing counties of \$5,000,000 or less assessed valuation to incur indebtedness of not to exceed 5 per cent of their assessed valuation carried by a vote of 131,147 to 128,729. In the scattered votes Fred M. Warner received two votes. The amendment to the constitution goes into effect January 1.

## A Correction.

In setting up Grinnell Bros. advertisement last week one word was omitted that changes the text seriously. The Standard regrets the mistake and wishes to say that no one who purchases a piano of Grinnell Bros. by all odds Michigan's oldest and largest music house, and we may add, one of the largest concerns in the world. Their immense business has been built up by clean, honest business methods, and in these days of fraudulent advertising, puzzle pictures, etc. it is a real pleasure to do business with a firm that never resorts to such schemes to sell pianos.

The Grant & Wood Manufacturing Co. received by express this morning a piece of machinery that weighed 3,000 pounds.

## EARLY CULTURE IN MEXICO

Existence of Highly Civilized Prehistoric People There Revealed by Antique Treasure Garden.

That an unknown, highly cultured people, of whom neither history, tradition nor legend has preserved any record, flourished in or near the Valley of Mexico and enjoyed spiced chocolate and aromatic beverages from transplanted tropical fruits grown by them in a marvelously built garden at Oaxtepec from 1,500 to 2,000 years ago is the latest theory of Guillermo Telles regarding the recently discovered garden of Montezuma.

Mr. Telles applied to the department of public instruction for a special permit to make explorations in the garden. He states that concerning twenty-one successive cactuses on the land with codices in possession of the National Museum has led him to believe that the garden has great antiquity.

He has been devoting a large part of four years to studying the plants found there. Through the inscriptions he has been able to glean historical data concerning twenty-one successive cactuses. Tropical trees, flowers and fruits were transplanted from the Isthmus of Tehuantepec and Central America to this garden, and there were grown coconuts, vanilla, papaya, yucca, chilit, mamey, and another rare flower which gives off its odor in the night.

These plants and their friends were ingredients of the delicious chocolates which were the favorite beverages of the Aztec lords when Cortes arrived. The garden was visited by Acamapixtli and Ilhuicamina, the second named being identical with Montezuma. It is claimed that Montezuma Ilhuicamina appropriated this beautiful garden to his personal royal uses and pleasure. —Mexican Herald.

## FIRST BALLOONS MARVELS

They Turned Attention From the Idea of Flying Across the English Channel.

Experimental physics was then (1785) quite the mode, and all classes were hurried along by the prevailing taste. The Duc d'Orleans forgot his amours and his stud, his fashions and his schemes of reform, to dabble in it. The Marquis d'Arlandes stole a few hours from court to pursue a series of experiments which cost him his life.

The brothers Montgolfier, whose business it was to make paper, had found time in the press of business to devote to physics, had thought much on the ascent of vapors and the formation of clouds, and soon delighted the little town of Annonay with the spectacle of the first balloon. But a party of amateurs in Paris, not to be outdone by Montgolfier, constructed an oil-silk bag, filled it with inflammable air of one-tenth the weight of atmospheric air, and in the midst of a great storm, launched it from the Champ de Mars. It speedily rose above the clouds and came down four miles beyond the city. The marvelous air, it was said, of making bodies traverse through space, was now discovered. Dreams of wings with which men were to fly from Calais to Dover gave way to dreams of balloons in which men were to navigate the globe. The Golden Age was believed to be close at hand.—McMaster's History of the People of the United States.

## The Husking Bee in Maine.

One of the old rural institutions, which is still in vogue in spite of the progress of modern inventions, is the old-fashioned husking bee, says the Kennebec Journal. The Journal's correspondents from various sections of the state have been giving interesting accounts for the past two weeks of gatherings of this nature in their locality with the accompanying harvest supper, which seem to differ in but few points from those recorded in the pages of New England story writers of 25 and 50 years ago. About the only difference seems to be that the modern farmer can call all his guests together by telephone instead of waiting for slower methods of summoning them to bring results.

## Hours of Early Birds.

An observant Frenchman who has been making notes of the habits of the feathered fraternity has just made a time table of the hours they wake of a morning.  
The chaffinch heads the list with 1:30 a. m.; at 2:30 the blackcap halts the morn, while at three the quail utters his quaint "Pay tes dettes!" (Pay thy debts!)  
The blackbird does not rise till four o'clock, while the tomtit, even more of a stay abed, does not commence his day till 4:30, while the restless sparrow considers the air not sufficiently warmed for his approval till 5:30 a. m.

## He Knew the Rate.

John M. Love, secretary of the United Association of Gas Fitters' Helpers, said the other day in his Chicago office:  
"A union, by keeping its finger on the labor market's pulse, can tell that market's condition and act accordingly."  
"In fact, a union has the expert knowledge of the old man who went to a dentist's to have a tooth drawn."  
"It's a double tooth," said the dentist, "and it will cost you 50 cents. But, with gas, it will be \$1 extra."  
"A dollar extra?" said the patient.  
"My goodness! Will I have to take 1,150 feet?"

## CORRESPONDENCE.

## LIMA CENTER NEWS.

Miss Iva Wood has a new piano.  
Mrs. J. Hinderer and Mrs. Martha Weinman spent Monday in Ann Arbor.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Fisk, of Chelsea, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. S. Wood.

The Lima Center school is going to have a Christmas entertainment December 22.  
Theodore Covert, of Mt. Pleasant, has been visiting friends here for the past ten days.

Art and Estella Guerin attended the Pythian Sisters banquet in Ypsilanti Wednesday night.

The Gleaners are going to elect officers and have an oyster supper Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Washington, of Ann Arbor, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wheelock.

Mrs. Stella Wilson spent Saturday and Sunday at Northville with her daughter, Mrs. Bertha Clark.

## WATERLOO DOINGS.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Moeckel returned from their wedding trip Sunday.

Christmas exercises will be held at the U. B. church Christmas eve.

The Waterloo band held their annual reunion and supper at the home of John Moeckel Friday night.

Wm. Barber is building a number of bob sleighs in his shop. He anticipates a long run of sleighing this winter.

The remains of Mrs. Thos. Howlett were buried at Mt. Hope cemetery Saturday afternoon. Funeral services were held at Munith.

A very pretty wedding took place at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Harber of Waterloo, December 7, 1910, when their daughter Mina was united in marriage with Mr. Ezra Moeckel of this place. They have the good wishes of their many friends here.

## FRANCISCO NOTES.

Rev. Joseph Beal spent Tuesday in Ann Arbor.

James Richards and wife were Chelsea visitors Monday.

Mary Broesample, of Detroit, spent Sunday with her mother here.

J. Bender and wife, of Williamston, are guests of P. Young and family.

Lizzie Morris, of Jackson, spent Sunday with her father and sisters here.

Clarence Lehmann spent Tuesday and Wednesday with his uncle, E. J. Musbach, near Munith.

The band boys from here attended the anniversary of the band held at J. Moeckel's, Friday night.

Floyd Schweinfurth and wife have been entertaining the latter's brother from Eaton Rapids the past two weeks.

Elsley Main returned to his home near Roots Station Saturday after spending a couple of weeks with his uncle H. Harvey.

Samuel Walz, of Roots Station, was a guest a few days the latter part of the week with H. Harvey and H. J. Lehmann and families.

## NORTH LAKE NEWS.

Henry Gilbert has a new cutter.  
Hinckley Bros. have a large herd of fine Durham cattle.

Stevenson Bros., Samuel Schultz and W. Beard are feeding nearly five hundred lambs.

E. W. Daniels has been quite busy of late repairing this division of the telephone line.

Before the next issue of The Standard the North Lake band will give a rabbit supper at the hall.

Miss Mildred Daniels will have Christmas exercises by the school at Lima Center Thursday, December 22.

On Friday of last week about seventy met at the home of Wm. Brown to remind him of the thirty-sixth anniversary of his birth. They left him a rocker and some coin. All report a good time.

## Kept The King At Home.

"For the past year we have kept the king of all laxatives—Dr. King's New Life Pills—in our home and they have proved a blessing to all our family," writes Paul Mathulka, of Buffalo, N. Y. Easy, but sure remedy for all stomach, liver and kidney troubles. Only 25c at L. T. Freeman Co., H. H. Fenn Co. and L. P. Vogel.

## Notice.

The undersigned will be at the Sylvan town hall on Saturday to receive township taxes.  
J. E. McKONE, Treasurer. 18tf

## SHARON NEWS.

Bernis O'Neill visited his sister at Grass Lake Sunday.

The Ladies' Aid Society met with Mrs. Ziegler last Thursday.

The people of the Sharon Center church are planning a Christmas program.

H. P. O'Neill went to Lansing last week to attend a convention of the poor commissioners.

Rev. Wellwood, of Grass Lake, preached here last Sunday to an appreciative audience.

The many friends of Wm. Stipe and family gave them a farewell party last Thursday evening.

Russell Ordway has purchased the cheese factory of Bert Gillhouse, who expects to leave for the west soon.

## REAPING BENEFIT.

From the Experience of Chelsea People.

We are fortunate indeed to be able to profit by the experience of our neighbors. The public utterances of Chelsea residents on the following subject will interest and benefit thousands of our readers. Read this statement. No better proof can be had.

B. F. Hawley, Park St., Chelsea, Mich., says: "Doan's Kidney Pills are by no means a new remedy to me. I have used them on several occasions and they have always had a beneficial effect. I was subject to attacks of backache and also had acute pains through my kidneys. The kidney secretions were highly colored and there was much sediment in them. Doan's Kidney Pills gave me prompt relief from these difficulties and I have had no serious trouble since. I willingly give this excellent preparation my endorsement."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States.  
Remember the name—Doan's and take no other.

## Notice.

Reuben W. Kaercher, treasurer of Lima township, will be at the town hall, Lima every Friday during December to receive taxes. Also at Kempf Commercial & Savings bank, Chelsea, on Saturday December 24 and 31; and at Dexter Savings bank, Dexter, Thursday, December 29, 30.

## Notice to Dexter Taxpayers.

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GEORGE HUSS,  
Treasurer Dexter Township. 19

## WANT COLUMN

## RENTS, REAL ESTATE, FOUND LOST WANTED ETC.

FOR SALE—R. C. Rhode Island Red Cockerels. As fine a lot of birds as you have ever seen, from good laying stock only \$1.50. Three birds of different strain at \$2 each. Roland Kalmbach. 9

FOUND—Number sacks of buckwheat flour. Owner can have same by proving property and paying for this advertisement. Geo. B. Goodwin. 19

NOTICE—I have rented my gravel pit to Geo. W. Simmons for the coming season. Mrs. Clara Stapish. 20

LOST—Between Chelsea and the Cement Works, red horse blanket. Return to Chas. Martin's livery stable. 19

WANTED—A girl for general housework in family of three. A real home for a good girl. Good wages. Address box 81, Chelsea. 13tf

FEED GRINDING—All kinds of feed grinding done promptly at 8 cents per hundred; corn shelled; plow points sharpened; all kinds crating sawed; lumber sawed on short notice; minnows for sale, Meinholt Bros., Phone 144-2s. Jerusalem Mills. 18tf

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FOUND—Steer about 14 years old; hole punched in right ear, slit in left ear. Owner can have same by calling at Nate Peckins farm, Sharon, and paying costs.

EMPLOYMENT found for women free, by the Young Women's Christian Association, 341 South Main street, Ann Arbor. Sewing, nursing, washing and house work. 19

FOR SALE—House and lot, will be vacant before November 1st. O. H. Schmidt, R. F. D. 1, Chelsea. 11tf

NOTICE—For choice fruit and ornamental trees and shrubs, also farm and garden seeds leave orders with A. Kaercher. Christmas trees for church and family use a specialty. 19

Holmes' Stores

The Home of Hart, Schaffner &amp; Marx Clothes and Cluett Shirts

Holmes' Stores

## Christmas Sugestions

Let His Gift Be a Suit or Overcoat  
\$15 — \$20 — \$25

At whichever price you decide to pay, you'll find that these assortments offer you more latitude in the selection of the specific garment to satisfy your taste and needs, more style, individuality and character, and more definite value for every dollar of their cost than you are apt to find elsewhere. Special attention is directed to the fine hand-tailoring in our \$15 line—something you seldom get at that price. The \$20 and \$25 groups show new style effects, colorings and weaves, designed especially for us by Hart, Schaffner & Marx. At each price you have choice of the latest two and three-button Suits and Convertible Collar Overcoats, Military, Box or Chesterfield styles.

## A Hat Is Always Acceptable The Puritan

Is about as popular a hat at \$3.00 as Chelsea ever saw, judging from the army of men who wear them. Soft and stiff, black and all shades, in sizes for all heads. Get one—\$3.00.

Newest Soft Hats at \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50 and \$3.00.  
New Plush and Fur Caps at \$1.00 to \$5.00.

## Men's Fur Coats at \$25.00, \$22.00 and \$20.00

## Christmas Neckwear

New York's newest holiday novelty—Imported Indestructible Silk Scarfs in dark and light colorings, plain and special, 50c and 75c.

## Mufflers and Reefers

Special Holiday offer of Peau de Crepe, Bengaline fancy stripes, pure silk and silk knitted Mufflers, hem-stitched or fringed edges; black, gray and colors, at.....\$1.50  
Great assortments at 45c to \$4.75

## Shirt Special

New Christmas shipment of 50 dozen stiff, plaited and negligee Cluett Shirts in attractive patterns and colors. All sizes and sleeve lengths. Equal to most \$2 shirts, at.....\$1.50

## For the Boy's Xmas

The selection of a gift for that bright, up-to-date American lad becomes an easy matter—if you buy at Holmes'. Just his kind of Clothes, Hats and Furnishings.

Get him a Military Overcoat, or, if he prefers, a Presto or two-in-one style. We've got them in all the new shades, self stripes, etc. All ages 7 to 17 years. Some very special Xmas values at.....\$5.00

Let the boy's Xmas Suit be one of our new Norfolk or Knickerbocker Suits. We have them in Fancy Tweeds, Worsteds and Blue Serges; ages 6 to 17 years; special at.....\$5.00

## H. S. Holmes Mercantile Co.

Handkerchiefs 5c to 50c Silk and Lisle Hose at 12 1/2c to 75c Traveling Bags and Suit Cases at \$1 to \$12.50



## HOLIDAY EXCURSIONS

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Going December 17, 18, 19 and 20, returning to leave destination not later than January 9, 1911.

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25 pound sack of Buckwheat Flour 75c.  
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Phone No. 84



**"The Easiest Way."**

scarcely a play in years has been much discussed as "The Easiest Way," in which David Belasco will present Frances Starr at the New Theatre on Monday evening, December 19. It is a play of a new type, and in New York at David Belasco's Theatre it was played for a year. Unusual in theme and action, a phase of life heretofore neglected to a large degree by the American dramatist, "The Easiest Way" has been hailed as the greatest American play of a decade. Successful as he was in "Paid in Full," "The Wolf," it is in "The Easiest Way" that Eugene Walter reached his greatest heights as a dramatist.

"The Easiest Way" depicts that aspect of New York life which is associated with the tragedy of those men who are so wedded to luxury that they will pay any price for its enjoyment. The theme is handled in a serious and convincing manner, the play becomes, as one eminent writer said, "Better than a sermon." Eugene Walter has painted in a strong brush a certain phase of New York life, and little is omitted in emphasizing the hollowness of it. In view of the fact that "The Easiest Way" is produced by David Belasco, there is little necessity to dwell upon the perfection and artistry of its setting. The first act closes a scene of exquisite beauty and the rolling foothills of the western slope of the Rocky Mountains in the golden light of the afternoon sun. Widely contrasting, none the less faithful in its photographic reality, is the second act, showing a room in a typical set theatrical boarding house, and is followed by the superb settings of the third and fourth acts, showing a drawing room in an apartment of ultra-expensive New York hotel. Remarkable as the play is from many points of view, "The Easiest Way" is still more notable for the inner in which it is acted. Frances Starr, delightful as she was in "The Case of the Rancho," has risen to greater heights in "The Easiest Way," and gives an interpretation of the central character of the play that has the hall mark of genius. Prices will range for this engagement from 50 cents to \$2.00. Box office sale starts Friday, December 16.

**GERMS IN HER SYSTEM.**

Every Woman Should Read This Advice and the Generous Offer that Goes With It.

The number of diseases peculiar to women is such that we believe this book would hardly contain a mere mention of their names, and it is a fact that most of these diseases are of a catarrhal nature. A woman cannot be well if there is a trace of catarrh in her system.

Some women think there is no help for them. We positively declare this to be a mistaken idea. We are so sure of this that we offer to supply medicine absolutely free of all cost, every instance where it fails to give satisfaction, or does not substantiate our claims. With this understanding, no woman should hesitate to put our claims to a test.

There is only one way to overcome catarrh. That way is through the blood. You may use all the snuffs, poultices or like remedies for years without getting more than temporary relief at best. Catarrh in general is a diseased condition of the system that shows locally most frequently in discharges from mucous membranes. Local treatment should be assisted by internal treatment for the general diseased condition if a complete cure is to be reached. That internal treatment should be scientifically devised and faithfully administered.

Rehall Muc-Tone is scientifically prepared from the prescription of an eminent physician who for thirty years made catarrh his specialty. This remedy is admirably adapted to the treatment of the catarrhal ailments of the blood. It purifies and enriches the blood, tends to stop mucous discharges, aids in removing impurities from the system, soothes, heals and strengthens the mucous tissues, and brings about a feeling of health and strength.

We want you to try Rehall Muc-Tone on our guarantee. If you are not benefited, or for any reason not satisfied, simply tell us and we will send back your money. Rehall Muc-Tone comes in two sizes, 50 cents and \$1.00. Remember, you can obtain Rehall Remedies only at—The Rehall Store, L. T. Freeman Co.

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**THE LEGEND OF THE LARK**

Japanese Have Many Stories About Their Birds, One of Which Is the Following.

The Alnu (the aborigines of Japan) have many legends about birds, one of which is very pretty. It is thus given by a recent writer:

"The skylark used to live in heaven. One day the God of heaven sent him down to the earth with a message for the gods who reside here, telling him to return the same day. But the little bird thought the earth such a nice place that he stayed to play. He was here so long that it began to grow dark, and he therefore determined to spend the night on the ground. The next day he arose in the air to return to heaven, but God met him when he was about six score feet up and said: 'Why did you not return as I told you? As, therefore, you have disobeyed my words you shall not return to heaven, but live upon the earth. Although you have not returned to heaven, yet you shall never be able to get any higher than one or two scores of feet.' The little bird was exceedingly concerned at this, and arguing with God, said: 'Oh, great God, as the world you made is so beautiful I could not help taking a look at it and so got late. Although you chide me for this, yet I will fly back to heaven.' In this way he answered God. But God did not consent. Therefore the little bird grew more and more distressed, and daily went as high as he could, pleading all the time; yet God would never consent to his entrance into heaven again. He therefore returned to the earth to play. After a time he ascended and did the same thing, yet God did not consent. The same thing continues to happen now every summer, but God never will allow him to return."

This, as I have said, is very pretty and even spiritual, but it seems to have been a happy incident, for it is in striking contrast to the other legends, which are more or less stupid and pointless.—Forest and Stream.

**PRESS AS A HOSTILE POWER**

In 1633 Roger L'Estrange, "Overseer of the Press," Advocated the Severe Restrictions.

There was a time in England when government officials viewed the press as a hostile power, to be destroyed if possible—to be curbed at any cost. In 1633 Roger L'Estrange, "overseer of the press," brought out his "Considerations and Proposals in Order to the Regulation of the Press." He advocated the severest restrictions for authors and printers, as well as for the letter-founders and the smiths and joiners that work upon the premises, and "the stichers, binders, stationers, hawkers, mercury women, peddlers, ballad singers, poets, carriers, hackney coachmen, boatmen and mariners." A proposal of L'Estrange was that culprits convicted of having broken the law should be condemned to wear some visible badge or mark of ignominy, as a halter instead of a hatband, one stocking blue and another red, a blue bonnet with a red letter T or S upon it. A few years later L'Estrange went one better by declaring that newspapers ought not to be allowed at all. He said that the reading of them "makes the multitude too familiar with the actions and councils of their superiors, too pragmatical and censorious, and gives them not only an itch but a kind of colorable right and license to be meddling with the government." In 1685 L'Estrange was knighted.

**Excusable Confusion.**

One who construes strictly the words which are found in ancient story and song may not infrequently read into the text a meaning exactly opposite to that the writer attempted to convey. A little study of some of these words almost convinces one that black may be white, and vice versa. It is related that in the panic of 1857 a Frenchman in New York said he feared he should lose all his "propriety." We smile at this, and yet we learn that "propriety" and "property" have exactly the same French derivation. We hear one speak of an "anecdote" and know that a short, diverting story is referred to. Etymologically it means something as yet unpublished. To prevent, which is now to hinder, meant in its Latin original to anticipate. A girl was anciently a young person of either sex. Paradise, in Oriental tongue, meant only a royal park. A knave was once merely a lad and a villain a peasant. To be silly was, in its ancient sense, to be blessed. An idiot was a private citizen, as distinguished from an officeholder, much the same as in the present day. Shame-faced comes from a good Anglo-Saxon term which means not one exhibiting shame, but one protected by shame, being therefore innocent and modest.

**Indians as Diplomats.**

"I have often wondered why the diplomatic corps of this country did not employ Indians," said W. J. Ker-shaw in an address on "The American Indian" at the first fall meeting of the Wisconsin Archeological society. "They possess the one supreme quality of diplomat—ability to control their tongues. In addition to this the American Indian is an orator of no mean quality. He is a good worker, and it will be found that as soon as the white man stops treating the Indian both as individuals and tribes at the same time his ambition will be created."

**ARE MEN MORE EMOTIONAL? LESSON LEARNED FROM LIFE**

Charles M. Alexander, Evangelist, Says Women Are Harder to Acquire Than Male Sex.

"Chicago women are less emotional than Chicago men. It is easier to make the men in an audience sing than the women."

This was the verdict of Charles M. Alexander, singing evangelist of the Chapman-Alexander revival, after a week's work in Chicago. Psychology to the contrary, the visiting singer holds to his contention that such is the case in this city, and attributes much of the success of the revival thus far conducted to the enthusiasm generated in the men.

"The hardest thing in my work here in Chicago," said Mr. Alexander, "is to arouse the women to song. The men respond much more readily, but the women are hard to reach. I don't know why it is, but that is the case here. The way I get to the hearts of an audience of business men is to talk to them just like you would to a group of boys. Speak simply and you can make more of an impression than if you attempt any eloquent flourishes."

"People ask me why it is that I can get the song out of an audience that I do," he smiled. "I'll tell you how I do it. You must get on a mutual basis with every one in the crowd. You must sing to the individual and reach every one. You reach every person in the audience just as if by a wireless message."

"Behind all this, I attribute the success of my work to the firm conviction that I have," he explained. "I go heart and soul into each meeting, realizing that no service will bring any lasting results without the rousing, heart-reaching gospel music. It is the life of any evangelistic meeting. Knowing this and the great good that attends my effort, I can work unceasingly."

**GENIUS WHO DIED UNHONORED**

Common Soldier Described Plan of Battle to Napoleon, Who Probably Lost a Marshal.

During one of the Italian campaigns, on the eve of a great battle, a common soldier stepped out of the line, as they often did with the old republican liberty, and said: "Citizen general, I know how you will beat them tomorrow." And he began to describe a plan of operations.

Napoleon swiftly interrupted him: "Be quiet, you scoundrel!" The soldier was describing, word for word, Napoleon's own plan of battle, which he thought was utterly unsuspected by anybody else.

The day after the battle he sent for the soldier—he had noted his regiment—but found that the great talent had perished in the simple form of a soldier and he had probably lost a marshal.

**Liabon in Peppy's Times.**

Peppy's Diary gives an unflattering picture of the Lisbon court in his day. On October 17, 1661, he talked with Captain Lambert, fresh from "Portugal," who told him it was "a very poor, dirty place; I mean the city and court of Lisbon. . . . That there are no glass windows, nor will they have any. . . . That the king has his meat sent up by a dozen of lazy guards and in pipkins, sometimes, to his own table, and sometimes nothing but fruits, and now and then half a hen. And now that the Infanta is become our queen she is come to have a whole hen or goose to her table, which is not ordinary." Some few months later, when some "Portugall ladies" had come to London, Peppy found them "not handsome, and their farthingales a strange dress. . . . I find nothing in them that is pleasing; and I see they have learnt to kiss and look freely up and down already, and I do believe will soon forget the reclusive practise of their own country."—London Chronicle.

**Absurd Milkman.**

Dr. Harvey W. Wiley, the government's famous food expert, said in Washington, apropos of food adulteration:

"One ingenious chap defended the use of chemical preservatives. All preservatives were chemicals, he claimed. Salt which preserved bacon and mackerel, was a chemical, and therefore, borax or salicylic acid should be no more dreaded in themselves than salt."

"It made me laugh, that defense. It reminded me, in its absurd impudence, of the milkman to whom a customer said:

"Why do you persist in putting water in your milk?"

"But do you know of anything cheaper, sir?" the milkman asked."

**A Geographical Loss.**

Col. Cecil Lyon, Republican national committeeman from Texas, went to Mexico City with a friend of his on one occasion, and, while he was there, sat in for a ten-cent limit poker game in which his friend was the banker. The colonel won \$28, but his friend deferred payment until they had returned to their home in Texas. Then he gave the colonel \$14.

"How about this?" asked Lyon.

"Well, you see," explained the friend, "you won \$28 in Mexico, where one American dollar is worth two in the currency those people use. Consequently, you get only \$14 for \$28."

—Popular Magazine.

**LESSON LEARNED FROM LIFE**

It is to Give Good Measure of All Things, and Demand but Little in Return.

"Life," said a courageous soul, nearing the end of a beautiful career—"Life resolves itself finally into just what you can make of yourself. It has really very little to do with conditions or events." This saying carried the more weight with those who heard it because it came from one who, despite continual outer thwartings, spread sunshine and courage incalculable wherever she came. Not what she could get out of life, but what she could put into it, concerned her—and the measure of what she found to add to mere living brimmed over.

There is yet another rule of great value to apply to life when it seems most difficult. It is to give good measure of all desirable things, and demand but little. Modest demands—social, financial, domestic—help to solve the problem of content. Do you chance to remember the final paragraph in Tolstoy's "Anna Karenina?" Levin, who records it, had found it difficult to supply himself with a reason for being; and after thought, study and experience, he gives us this solution: "My inner life has won its liberty; it will no longer be at the mercy of events, and every minute of my existence will have a meaning sure and profound, which it will be in my power to impress upon every single one of my actions—that of being good." If these words set down here sound trite and childish, read in connection with the whole great novel—one of the greatest of the last century—they have profound value.—Harper's Weekly.

**WOMEN HAVE STRONGER EYES**

Records Show That the Gentle Sex Have Better Sight Than the Men.

Expert ophthalmologists, such as have records of thousands of cases of more or less defective vision, agree that the eye of the woman is no more near sighted, and no more far sighted, than that of man. Physically the two sexes are on exactly the same level throughout the whole structural condition of their eyes.

But there are records—disputed, it is true, as being incomplete—which show that men are twenty times as liable to color blindness as women; the averages show two women out of every thousand color blind, where there are forty men found wanting on that score. The critics of those records contend that men, being examined far more numerous for color blindness by reason of their callings, are much more liable to have the defect revealed.

**The Brief Proclamation.**

When F. F. Low was governor of California, there lived and flourished a lobbyist named Nap Broughton, who was equally noted as a wit and as a stutterer. Going down the street one day in November Governor Low saw Broughton carrying home a turkey.

"Ah, Nap, you're taking advantage of my Thanksgiving day proclamation," was the greeting which the governor extended to him. "By the way, he added, 'wasn't that a pretty good proclamation?'"

"No-o, t-t-t-too long," said Nap with some effort.

"That's funny," said the surprised governor. "Why, I prided myself especially on the brevity of the proclamation. I don't see how I could have made it shorter."

"All you n-needed to say was p-p-praise G-g-god from whom all b-b-blessings F-F-F-low."—Ex-Governor Pardee of California in New York World.

**First Find of Gold in America.**

North America has counted as a gold-producing continent only since the late forties. But it might well have done so for nearly two hundred years. According to the history researchers, in the voyage round the world which began in 1719, the privateer, Captain Shelvocke, found in certain California valleys "a rich black mold which, as you turn it fresh up to the sun, appears as if intermingled with gold dust." "Though we were a little prejudiced," he adds, "against the thought that it could be possible that this metal should be so promiscuously and universally mingled with common earth, yet we endeavored to cleanse and wash the earth from some of it, and the more we did the more it appeared like gold. In order to be further satisfied I brought away some of it, which we lost in our confusion in China."

**What Will He Do With It?**

A house wandered into a downtown barber's shop and after being shaved sat down in the bootblack's chair.

"How do you get paid? Wages?" he asked.

"No, suh," answered the bootblack. "I work on a p-h-centage—60 p-h-cent's mine."

"Shickkity p-cent, yours," said the house, deliberately. "Shickkity p-cent."

"Yes, suh."

"You take in hundred dollars you keep shickkity?"

"Yes, suh."

"You take in thousand, you keep shickkity hundred?"

"An' hundred thousand, you keep shickkity thousand?"

"Yes, suh."

"My, my," said the house in puzzled manner, "what're you goin' to do with so much money?"—Cleveland Press.

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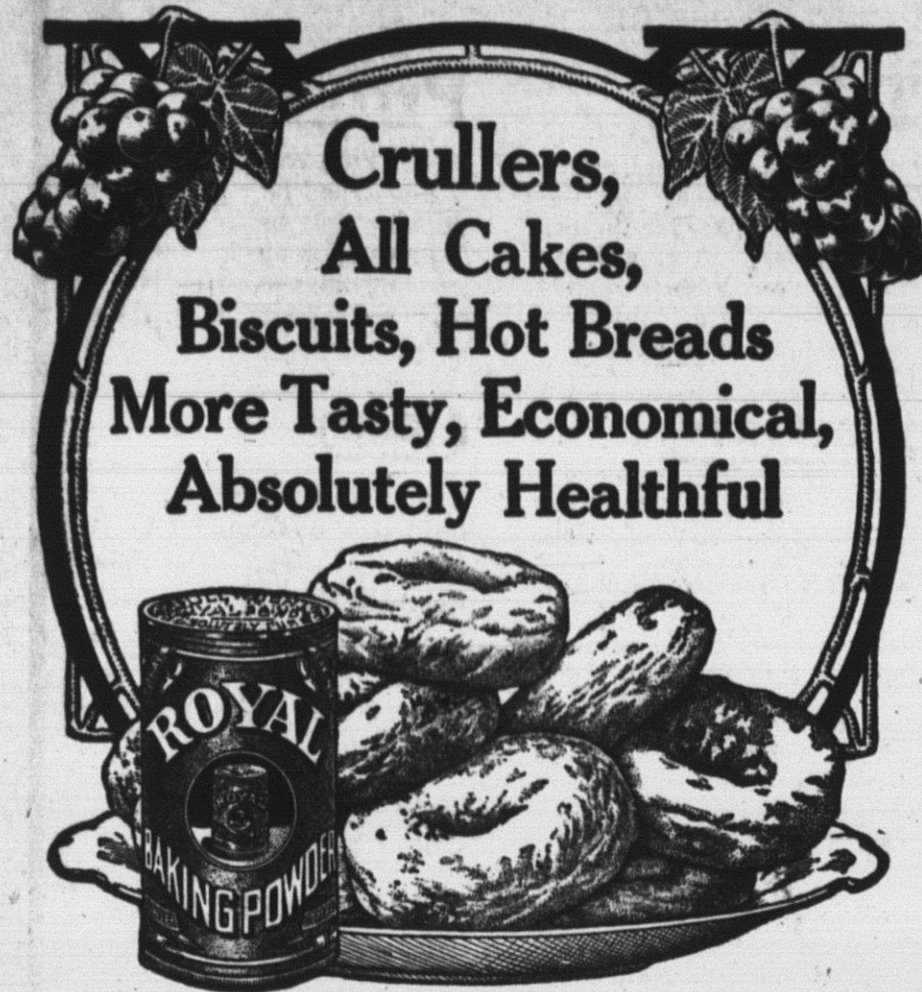
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**Notice.**

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## A POLICE CHIEF IN EXILE

Lupoukhine, Former Court Favorite, Is Now a Broken Down Wreck in Siberia.

Two Germans who have been traveling in Siberia gave an account of the life of exile led by M. Lupoukhine, formerly chief of police in Russia.

For many years M. Lupoukhine was one of the most influential men in the Russian empire, a favorite at court, the confidant of cabinet ministers and a favorite of St. Petersburg society. While at the height of his popularity he was suddenly exposed as a treacherous servant of the czar, dismissed from the government service and sentenced to lifelong banishment to Siberia.

It was alleged against him that he organized plots against the czar in order that he as chief of police, might have the glory of discovering them and saving his imperial master's life. He was also guilty of many other irregularities.

The two travelers found M. Lupoukhine living in Danilovka, a small village some 500 miles from the nearest railway, which can only be reached by a carriage journey of 17 days through a desolate region. The ex-police chief, who formerly occupied a palatial official residence in the Russian capital, now lives in a little log hut consisting of four rooms, badly lighted, insufficiently ventilated and too loosely built to afford adequate protection against the rigors of the Siberian winter.

The exile himself is now a broken-down, feeble, unhappy man, a wreck of his former self. He has done his best to make one of his rooms resemble in some degree a study, and on the wall he has hung in large printed letters "Thy Will Be Done." Nearly all the inhabitants of Danilovka are political exiles, and M. Lupoukhine enjoys a privileged position among them by reason of the fact that the governor of the province when making his occasional rounds shakes hands with him.

## WONDERFUL BIRDS' HOTEL

An Ingenious American Spends Over Four Years in Making Edifice.

Arthur E. Dunning, one of the staff of the American embassy at Berlin, has devoted his spare time since 1909 to building a wonderful bird house. The Hotel Canary, as he calls it, contains 22 rooms, and has a window garden with a fountain, also two conservatories.

It is 75 inches long, by 15 inches wide, and including a tower is 51 inches high. All the rooms have the modern improvements, such as electric light and running water. They are equipped with automatic feeding dishes. In the winter garden are two elevators running to the second floor and with four sliding doors giving access to the surrounding rooms. Batteries for the electric lights are in the machine room, which also contains the apparatus for running the elevators, a reservoir for water with a capacity of one gallon and a whiteboard for the lights on the third floor. The tower room, which is not occupied by guests, is fitted with an electric chandelier and bell and is reached by means of a spiral staircase from the third story. It also contains the means of controlling the water in the reservoir.

At the back of the structure is the food supply box, from which different mixtures of seeds are distributed to the fortunate inmates of this birds' hotel, while immediately to the right and left are the places into which the seed is poured for the rooms. It may be added that some of the rooms are provided with balconies and that the flags bear the initials H. C. The whole building is a marvel of ingenuity and constructive skill.

## Luxury of French Prisons.

Last week I spoke of the intelligent deputy who is hoping to introduce the cat o' nine tails into France. Today comes to light facts showing the luxury in which French apaches live when they are the guests of the state. The French criminal is taken to a prison called Fresnes palace, and here he is housed far better than any common French soldier, though the latter may have served his country ever so valiantly, while the former has supposedly done the reverse.

The cells are steam heated at an always level temperature, and statistics show us that in a garrison and a prison each holding the same number of inmates, where in 1909 the consumption of coal for the garrison was 18 wagonloads, the prison consumed 800 wagonloads. So, to quote Clement Aulot, our brave French soldiers "shiver around a fire meagerly fed with a few pieces of coal from time to time, while our criminals stretch themselves in lazy luxury before a cozy hot steam pipe."—London Court Journal.

## Rice and Curry.

Rice and curry is the national dish of India. Just barely enough curry to flavor, and each grain when cooked is puffed up all by itself of snowy lightness. Small quantities of meat, or dried fish, are served with the curry sauce, freshly made of coconut water, peppers, turmeric, etc. The west African and West Indian do not use curry, but season by boiling it with a piece of salt fish, or pork or chicken. Polished rice is a cheat, and eaten exclusively is deadly, so should be right and law be kept out of New York.

## VISITS QUEEN ONCE A MONTH

Bachelor Confided to a Friend the Reason He Doesn't Care to Mingle With Society.

"A bachelor friend of mine told me a little story when we were at the play, which I have hung up in my collection of mind pictures, and I think it is a gem," said Colonel Rivers. "I had made the charge that he didn't mix as much as he should. He replied that he did all his mixing with a two-year-old married couple and a pretty miss of 7 years. I asked him how that could be.

"The married couple have no children. They are not much on mixing, themselves, but every fourth Sunday in the month they give a dinner to the seven-year-old miss, the only child of friends in the same part of town. To this dinner the bachelor is invited. When the repast is finished, the young miss is entertained with music and readings which the child understands. Then the bachelor takes the little one to her home. The bachelor's description of the child's beauty and dress, and his reports of the clever things she says, and what is said to amuse the miss, would make a pretty Christmas book if it were written by anybody who knew how to make word pictures.

"My bachelor friend assured me that after he had enjoyed one of these dinners he had no desire to mingle in what is called modern society. 'If,' he said, 'I can get to what is described as Better Land, I shall ascribe my good fortune to the atmosphere in which I am a small factor every fourth Sunday in the month, in which three grown-ups are the subjects of a child queen.'"

## FEARING A DISTRUSTFUL MAN

Bunyan's Fine Description of Individual Who Had No Confidence in Himself.

Why, he was always afraid that he should come short of whatever he had a desire to go. Everything frightened him that he heard anybody speak of that had but the least appearance of opposition in it. I hear that he lay roaring at the Slough of Despond for about a month altogether; nor durst he, for all he saw several go over before him, venture, though they, many of them, offered to lend him their hand. He would not go back again neither. The Celestial City, he said, he should die if he came not to it; and yet was dejected at every difficulty and stumbled at every straw that anybody cast in his way.

Well, after he had lain in the Slough of Despond a great while, as I have told you, one sunshine morning, I do not know how, he ventured, and so got over; but when he was over he would scarce believe it.

He had, I think, a Slough of Despond in his mind; a slough that he carried everywhere with him, or else he could never have been as he was.—From Bunyan's "Pilgrim Progress."

## A Dog and a Bum.

In a vacant lot at the corner of Eleventh and Larimer streets was an old white dog that wasn't well. He crawled over near a billboard and lay down. Lots of people saw him, but nobody paid any attention to him until a tramp-like-looking fellow came along. He was "Hard Times" personified. He went over and petted the dog.

"What's the matter, old boy?" he asked. "Sick?"

The dog seemed to appreciate the uncouth one's attentions. The man petted him a little more.

"Wait, I'll get you a drink," he said. He went to a saloon near by and returned with a tin basin full of water. The dog lapped up some of the water and the man poured the rest on the animal's head. In a couple of minutes more the dog arose and slowly walked away, wagging his tail. He was much better.

Just an old dog—just an old bum—that's all.—Denver Times.

## The Situation.

One day a farmer drove into town with a load of produce and spent the rest of the day and part of the night with convivial companions. On his way home he fell asleep, and his wagon came in contact with a tree by the roadside, starting the horses into a burst of speed. They broke away and went clattering down the road. The farmer slept on. He was thus found next morning at daylight by a stranger on horseback.

"Hello!" called out the horseman. "Who are you and what are you doing here?"

The farmer peered up and down the road in a dazed way. "Well," he said, "my name is Rogers and I've lost a blamed fine span of horses."

Then he got down from his seat and inspected the vehicle. "And if I ain't Rogers," he added, "I've found a blamed fine wagon."

## Wittolmen Hearsers Appreciated.

Simcox Ford was discussing the ethics of speech-making. "It was a long and tedious speech, but I listened attentively. I like to have people to listen to my speeches, you know, and turn about is fair play. Well, I'm glad I listened, because if I hadn't I'd have missed one of the best windups I ever heard. And now," said the speaker, just as we were all ready to drop off to sleep, "as Lady Godiva remarked when she was returning from her ride, 'I am drawing near my clothes.'"

## SIMILARITY OF MANY PEOPLE

Woman Says That Husband and Wife Who Resemble Each Other Have Same Thoughts.

The woman who is a close observer was discussing with a few friends the matter of resemblances.

"I often see very ordinary persons," she said, "who look almost exactly like some one else who is perhaps highly educated or intellectually brilliant or socially prominent. For instance, some man working on the streets as I pass may look like some college professor I have seen, except that of course the expression of intelligence and ability will be lacking. In other words, they are the same type, but their environment and experiences have been different. It is not at all unusual for husbands and wives to look alike, especially if they are elderly and have lived happily together many years. The explanation of that is perfectly simple. Everybody has seen such cases. On a few occasions I have been much amused at seeing a husband and wife who looked like some other husband and wife respectively. That is, the man would look like another man I knew and the woman would look like that other man's wife. In those cases I could see that the man in each case—perhaps a tall, dark man—had liked his opposite—a petite blonde. The action of thought had been the same in each case and had brought out similar results.

"Another thing that interests me is that people who look alike have the same diseases. I can sometimes tell, half a block away, what diseases a person will be likely to have. I know a croupy child the minute I see one. I do not mean I can diagnose a case of croup. I don't know a thing about medicine or physiology, but I know the look of a person who would be likely to have diphtheria if exposed to it and of one who might have rheumatism later in life. It's all in the way they think, you know—or perhaps you don't believe that?"

## WANTS MAN SHE PAID FOR

New Jersey Woman Asks a Commissioner to Hold Immigrant So That She Can Marry Him.

Commissioner Williams expects an interesting session at Ellis Island when the inspectors pick out a husky shoemaker of Trieste and hold him for the arrival of his fiancée.

The commissioner received a letter from a young woman of Jersey City, who described herself as an orphan, twenty-eight years old, who had "to work all my lifetime for my existence." She wrote that she received a letter several months ago from a young man in her native city saying that if she would send him the price of a ticket he would cross the seas and marry her.

She explained that the man was "a shoemaker and healthy." She sent a second-cabin ticket for passage on the Red Star line Vandalia, which arrived the other night from Antwerp. Also she forwarded the healthy mender of bad soles \$28.16 in cash.

She learned recently, she said, that his relatives in this country had planned to steal him as soon as he arrived and prevent the marriage. She wants the shoemaker herself, and asked the commissioner to hold him and unite them in marriage as soon as she arrives at the island.

## The Literary Man.

When I get home where I live at I will remove my wife's new hat from my desk, and my daughter's socks and my wee baby's building blocks, three spoons of thread, some tatting frames, a box or two of cut-out games, some scissors, and my wife's new waists, a box of tacks and some tooth paste, a cook book and a sewing kit, some letters that my wife has writ, some apple cores the kids put there, one or two wads of hand-made hair, a bottle of shoe polish, too, a hair brush and a baby shoe, some stockings that are worth a darn, a skein or two of darning yarn, a picture book or two or three, a picture babe has drawn for me, a rubber ball, a piece of gum, some picture postcards and a drum. I'll do all that when I get home and then write an immortal poem that will have Swinburne double-crossed—if all my pencils are not lost.—Houston Post.

## They Do Things Better in France.

It is no easy matter to be married in France, says F. Berkeley Smith, in Success Magazine. One great thing in favor of so sacred a ceremony is that it cannot be hastily performed. It is an event requiring months of preparation, of the signing of endless papers, the certificates of birth and the consent of parents, until at last the wedding day, which has been arranged for to the entire satisfaction of every one concerned, including the legal authorities, arrives. If marriage is difficult, divorce is even more so. There are no such romantic and youthful adventures as eloping on a \$12 capital—hunting; ten to the accommodating parson and wiring for forgiveness with the church.

## Couldn't Understand It.

"This stock," said the promoter, "is fully paid up and non-assessable." "Well, if it's fully paid up," replied the man who was inexperienced in such matters, "I can't see why you want me to put money into it. Wouldn't that be unfair to the people who paid it up?"

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## THE MASCOTS OF ROYALTY

Kings, Queens and Princesses Just as Superstitious as Humblest of Subjects.

Kings, queens and princesses are just as superstitious, it seems, as the humblest of their subjects. The new queen of England, is never seen without a small seashell mounted in gold. It was picked up on the beach at Sandringham and presented to her by Prince George when both were hardly out of the schoolroom, and hints at a royal romance that had nothing to do with affairs of state. The sea-shell shares honors with a tiny gold pig, a gift of King Edward, who brought it from Marlborough for Prince Mary when she was first betrothed to his son. Princess Patricia pins her faith to a withered sprig of white heather from Balmoral, inclosed in crystal. Princess Victoria wears a piece of ordinary coal as a bangle.

The shah of Persia is never seen without a turquoise over an inch square engraved with cabalistic signs in the front of his fez. This gem is the largest turquoise in the world, and the fortunes of Persia are supposed to be bound up in the stone. The German kaiser wears a ring containing a dull purple camellian known as the Luck of Prussia. There is a legend to the effect that it was presented to Frederick the Great by a spirit of the Rhine, and it is believed to exert a mysterious influence over the house of Hohenzollern.

## THE MAN AT FORTY-FIVE

Should Be at His Best and Capable of Giving the Service of His Life.

Is forty-five to be the dead line? Most corporations follow a ruling that men forty-five years old and over shall not be given permanent positions because they have passed the years of efficiency. Now, according to the discussions in some of the conferences, notably the M. E. conference held at Evansville last week, ministers who do not enter the profession until they reach or pass forty-five will come under the same restriction to a certain extent, or at least be discouraged. If these restrictions continue what is to become of the man of forty-five or over who has not found a place in life or who may desire to change his trade or profession at that period? The theory that his period of efficiency is passed is pure fiction. The real trouble is whether he will be able to work long enough to entitle him to the same pensions on quitting that those are entitled to who have given their whole life to a trade or profession. He may not be, but this feature of pension and insurance schemes should be so adjusted so that there will be no hindrance to the capable man of forty-five getting employment if he wants it. The fact is that a man at forty-five is at his very best and in all probability can give the best service of his whole life.

## The Optimist.

The lighthearted, buoyant nature which looks for brightness everywhere, and finds it, too, refuses to take itself seriously, and devotes itself to gathering up the smiles while leaving the tears for others. It may be true that such natures really get the best out of life and leave the brightest impressions upon their fellow men, but when it comes to the consideration of the serious questions which inevitably come up for discussion, they seem to mislead others as to their real value. We are not likely to look for wise counsel or sympathetic appreciation in those whom we have been accustomed to regard as possessing sunny-weather dispositions; we feel assured that the light, insubstantial framework of their natures cannot withstand the buffeting of the wild storms of distress which sometimes sweep in upon us from unexpected quarters, and we instinctively look for help to the sterner, deeper natures of those whom we believe realize the sober side of life.

## Notice.

A. J. May treasurer of Lyndon township will be at the Lyndon town hall every Friday commencing December 16, and at the Farmers & Merchants bank, Chelsea, Saturday December 17, to receive taxes. 20

## TRAITOR'S LIFE A HARD ONE

Profession of Treason Is Not Profitable—Do Not Always Receive What They Expect.

Paris.—Le Figaro, apropos of a recent trial of a French soldier who has been convicted of selling plans to the foreign power, remarks that the profession of treason is not a profitable one, and wonders why so many Frenchmen embrace it.

One soldier is reported to have expected \$220,000 for the sale of the automatic "debocheur," or trench digger, which he had purloined, but the military authorities ask in compensation what could have put such an idea into his head, or into that of another soldier who carried off a military leuse and believed that he would pocket \$110,000, but only got \$300.

As for the old soldiers who, having turned traitors, have remained abroad, their lot is a poor one. They began by only receiving small sums, and then they were utilized as spies, with the prospect of being turned adrift if they failed to bring in any information worth having. They consider the risk that they run if detected in France. Ullmo and Berton are condemned to detention for life, another man has 20 years' hard labor, and so on. So soldiers have a great deal more to gain by remaining loyal, as even if they are successful in such nefarious practices at the outset, their earnings are poor; and they have a wretched future before them abroad.

## BATTLE AT SON'S GRAVE

Father Attending Flowers Remains Officer's Interference—Is Arrested for Assault.

A father, interfered with when nursing the flowers on his son's grave, was arrested for striking a special officer of the Holy Cross cemetery, says the New York Press. The prisoner is Joseph Holeski of 649 Fourth street, Brooklyn. With his son, ten years old, he went to the graveyard to look after the plot in which another son had been buried a few weeks ago.

He found the flowers he had planted several days ago were withering, and to restore the bloom decided to water the plants. In looking around for a sprinkling pot he picked one from another grave and tenderly was feeling the flowers when Thomas Gordon, a special officer, saw him.

"You had better put back that pot where you found it," warned Gordon. The father objected to the officer's tone, and refused to comply at once. A wordy argument ensued, and finally became so heated Holeski grabbed and iron support from a nearby grave and struck Gordon over the head. The struck Gordon over the head. The father, and the officer arrested the father. He was taken to the police station, and his son was sent to the Children's hospital.

## Bible for the Chinese.

China is soon to have a revised edition of the Bible in Chinese. The final edition of the New Testament, together with the first completed book of the Old, the Psalms of David, is now issuing from the press, and stacks of the volume are being shipped to the remotest parts of China. The special committee of translators are now gathered together at Chongking for their annual conference on the work, which they hope will be to China what the authorized version of the Gospel is to the English-speaking world. The project was inaugurated in 1890, and it is estimated that the whole volume will be completed about the year 1915.

## Mosquitoes That "Milk" Ants.

Some strange Java mosquitoes have been discovered that do not bite, but have the curious habit of "milking" ants in much the same way that ants obtain honey-dew from aphides. Dr. Ward Jacobson has found that mosquitoes of the species hargomyia species visit trees frequented by ants of the species crastomastogaster. Ticking the head of an ant with the forelegs and antennae, one of the mosquitoes causes the ant to emit a drop of fluid, which is promptly sucked up by the bandit as the victim of the hold-up is released. Too often the diptera have been noticed feeding from the ant secretion in the same manner.



## Extra Good Things In Suits and Overcoats

Such as men and young men, whose taste require something of the very highest order, will be delighted to wear. The very carefully selected patterns, the margin of their making and exceedingly reasonable prices places them in the reach of every man. We want you to see them and we can assure you that a selection from this store would please any man or young man.

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**NECKWEAR**  
Put up in special Christmas boxes

**GLOVES**  
Unlined, silk lined, and fur.

**FANCY SUSPENDERS**  
In pretty Christmas boxes.

**MUFFLERS**  
In heavy silk and knitted.

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**HOUSE COATS**  
Newest patterns, all sizes. Always acceptable.

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Nice assortment to select from.

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Useful and practical gifts. Very desirable.

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Tippy new styles.

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Lumber	Lime	Brick	Tile	Cement
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And various other articles too numerous to mention

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## Joy to the Banker's Heart

The dependable man is the one that brings joy to the banker's heart. He is the kind the bank likes to do business with. Whatever the size of the obligation, be it \$50 or \$5,000, if a man cannot meet it when due, he should be at the bank "on the dot" and explain why. The bank is always ready and willing to explain anything in connection with its own business and expects its customers to do the same. No man should have anything in his business which he cannot lay bare before his banker. However much he may think he has a right to cover up things regarding his business from the public, this "right" does not extend to his banker, and unless he is willing to give his banker his entire confidence he has no reason to expect the assistance it is in the power of the banker to render. The joy of the banker's heart is the man who may be absolutely depended upon first, last and all the time. If any young man starting in business has an idea that character is not a business asset of the highest order, let him talk to some banker about it and he will have cause to change his mind. We solicit the business of a few more dependable men.

The Kempf Commercial & Savings Bank

### LOCAL ITEMS.

There will be a regular meeting of the K. O. T. M. M. on Friday evening of this week.

The plate glass has been placed in the front of the Gates estate building on east Middle street.

Ruth Millsaugh, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Millsaugh, is confined to the home of her parents with bronchial pneumonia.

Milton Reithmiller and Arthur Dewey of Waterloo, have been drawn to serve as jurors at the January term of the Jackson county circuit court.

The Chelsea Land Company is drawing the lumber for the houses that it will erect on the Grantwood subdivision in the south-eastern part of the village.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Spiegelburg gave a dinner Sunday to a number of their friends, the occasion being the second anniversary of the birth of their daughter Enid.

A number of the residents of Chelsea are in the habit of dumping the ashes from their fires in the middle of the street. This is violation of an ordinance and the parties are liable to be fined.

Messrs. Seitz, Laros, Bagge and Broesamle went to Jackson Monday evening and were defeated by a bunch of bowlers of that city. Jackson made a total of 2,678 pins while Chelsea only got 2,331.

Frank L. Andrews, for nearly twenty years publisher of the Pinckney Dispatch, died at Bradenton, Florida. He is survived by his wife and daughter who started for their Pinckney home with the remains Wednesday.

The Kelly residence in the western part of the village, occupied by Wm. Ryan, was ruined by fire this afternoon. The ruin was a long one for the department and the building was a mass of flames before they arrived on the scene.

Whenever a package of merchandise from a foreign country in a sealed condition is received at the post office, the seal has to be broken by the one to whom it is addressed, and then the package is forwarded to Detroit to see if any duty is due upon it.

Died, Monday, December 12, 1910, at the U. of M. hospital in Ann Arbor, Ernest Edward, aged 25 days, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Fisk. The funeral was held from the home of the parents at 1:30 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, Rev. F. I. Blanchard officiating. Interment at Oak Grove cemetery.

The choir of the Congregational church will present the following numbers at the Christmas musical service at 7 o'clock next Sunday evening: Anthem, "Brightest and Best," Young; anthem, "An Angel Serenade," Ashford; solo, "The Birthday of a King," Elmer E. Winans; Anthem, "Sound Over all Waters," Wilson.

Postmaster General Hitchcock is urging railroads to use steel mail cars only, and gives notice that payment for carrying the mails will be made only when the department is satisfied that cars of safe construction and proper sanitary appointments are provided. Steel cars would safeguard all who risk their lives in travel, and especially the railroad postal clerks, whose subjection to the risks of travel is continuous.

Tuesday morning Willie, the 12 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ryan of west Middle street concluded to start out on a jaunt to see the metropolis of Ann Arbor. When he did not return from school at the proper time his parents made an investigation and notified the officers, and he was traced to the city where he was picked up and returned to his home on the last electric car, accompanied by his father who went after him.

Judge John J. Carland, of South Dakota, appointed by President Taft to the United States commerce court, formerly lived in Corunna, where he was graduated from the high school, while he was living with his uncle, Michael Carland. Later he went to Coldwater, where he was assistant in the office of Judge Shipman. He later pursued his studies in the office of John Hawley and Sylvester Larned, of Detroit. After being admitted to the bar he went to Bismarck, S. D., where his father, who was an army officer, was located. President Cleveland appointed Mr. Carland to the United States district judgeship, which position he has filled until the present time. Judge Carland is well known by a number of Chelsea residents, having visited this place a number of times.

There was a good attendance at the cantata in Maccabee hall Wednesday evening.

Geo. Heselschwerdt has accepted a position as nightwatch in the Kempf Commercial & Savings Bank.

The Baptist church will hold their annual Christmas exercises next week Friday evening. There will also be a Christmas tree with its usual good things for the children.

John Sumner of Garfield street while engaged in getting a scuttle of coal Tuesday, slipped and fell at the foot of the cellar stairs at his home and cracked two of his ribs.

The newly elected officers of Olive Lodge, No. 156, F. & A. M., will be installed Tuesday evening, December 20th. There will also be work in the first degree. Visiting brothers are invited. Refreshments will be served.

Carl Schwikerath and R. J. Beckwith, who recently took a contract from the American Tobacco Co. to repaint their signboards along the railway lines left for Oklahoma Monday night, where they commence the work.

Tuesday evening of this week the Modern Woodmen served a muskrat and rabbit supper in their hall to seventy. The musical program was rendered by quartettes from Detroit and Jackson. Addresses were delivered by Chas. Hepburn and a number of others.

According to a recent decision of the courts, a man who wants to go faster than his neighbor who is ahead of him on the road, has a right to pass. If he is prevented by the other and an accident happens because of the latter's interference, the obstructionist is responsible for the damage.

Matthew Farnher and Fred Hailey while engaged in cutting wood for Abner Spencer, of Sylvan, the past week, took three coons out of a tree which they had cut, and the next day they cut a tree from which they secured fifty pounds of honey. The boys contemplate starting a search for buried treasures.

### PERSONALS.

John Kalmbach spent Wednesday in Ann Arbor.

Mrs. John Reilly was a Jackson visitor Monday.

Miss Mayme McKernan visited in Jackson Sunday.

Reuben Kempf, of Ann Arbor, was in Chelsea Tuesday.

Hiram Barrus, of Jackson, spent Saturday in Chelsea.

J. G. Webster was in Jackson on business Wednesday.

O. C. Burkhart was in Ann Arbor on business Wednesday.

Mrs. Dorris Rogers was the guest of Jackson friends Monday.

Mrs. Rose Wunder, of Jackson, was a Chelsea visitor Friday.

Louis Curtis, of Lima, spent Saturday with his brother here.

Mrs. E. G. Hoag, of Ann Arbor, was a Chelsea visitor Tuesday.

Fred Belser, of Detroit, spent Sunday with his parents here.

Miss Julia Wagner was the guest of Ann Arbor friends Tuesday.

Mrs. Hank, of Ann Arbor, was a Chelsea visitor the first of the week.

Carl Wagner, of Ypsilanti, was the guest of his parents here Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Keelan spent several days of the past week in Jackson.

Frank Fahrner, of Pontiac, spent Sunday with C. Fahrner, sr., of Sylvan.

Miss Jennie Geddes, of Tecumseh, spent Saturday and Sunday with her parents here.

Mrs. Chas. Kingsley, of Ann Arbor, was a guest at the home of C. Fish the past week.

Mrs. H. S. Holmes spent several days of this week with her daughter in Grand Rapids.

Mrs. E. Foster and daughter Ruth, of Grass Lake, spent Friday with Chelsea relatives.

Mrs. W. H. Heselschwerdt is in Wayne, where she was called by the illness of her sister.

Mrs. W. S. McLaren and daughter were the guests of relatives in Jackson the first of the week.

Mrs. Elliott, of Ypsilanti, was a guest at the home of R. D. Walker several days of this week.

Mr. E. K. Stimson returned last Friday from Albion where she attended the wedding of her niece.

Miss Erma Hunter, who has been spending several weeks at Tecumseh, returned to her home here Saturday.

Miss Leona Gieske, who is teaching at Ovid, spent several days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Gieske.

Henry Stapish, of Detroit, Mrs. Binder, of Jackson, and Frank Stapish of Bay City, visited at the home of their father, Michael Stapish, last week.

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### Christmas Gifts For Women

We have devoted especial care to the selection of merchandise suitable for that purpose. Here are some of the things in variety and of a quality suitable for gift purposes: Handkerchiefs, Hosiery, Gloves, Belts, Umbrellas, Furs, Sweaters, Dress Patterns, Toilet Articles, Perfumes, Silk Scarfs, Hat Pins, Fancy Collars, Doilies, Table Linens, Shawls, House Slippers, Coats, Suits, Shoes, Bradley Mufflers. We have a splendid assortment, and no matter how large or small the amount you wish to put in a gift we can supply something suitable.

### Christmas Gifts For Men

An elegant line of Neckwear in the latest weaves and colors. There is nothing more appropriate. If in doubt you can never make a mistake in the giving of a Necktie. Men's Gloves are always appropriate. We have a large line. We have a splendid variety of merchandise suitable for gifts for men: Handkerchiefs, Umbrellas, Shirts, Mufflers, Suspenders, Sweaters, Slippers; Fur Caps, Gloves, Mittens, Jewelry.

## Christmas Toys

For the little girls and boys. The grandest display ever shown in Chelsea. Our basement is full of them. We have ransacked the toy markets and secured the best from the choicest stocks.

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Toy Books for the Children. The latest and best. Beautifully illustrated. Some with colored pictures and covers. Nothing pleases a child more than a dainty book.

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