



## Manchester Enterprise

By MPT D. BLOSSER.

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## PENINSULA MATTERS

RELATED IN A BRIEF, CONCISE MANNER.

**Michigan Independent Silver Men Hold a Free Silver Convention at Lansing—A Man and a Woman Found Dead at Belle Isle Park, Detroit.**

**Michigan Independent Silverites.**

An independent free silver convention was held at Lansing with about 250 delegates present. Hon. Geo. F. Richardson, of Grand Rapids, opened the meeting and Judge Q. A. Smith, of Lansing, was made temporary chairman. While F. S. Porter, was elected secretary. A committee of 16 was appointed to report a plan for permanent organization. After a recess the permanent officers of the convention were named as follows: Maj. E. C. Watkins, of Belding, for chairman; A. D. Cruikshank, of Charlevoix, vice-chairman, and George F. Richardson, of Grand Rapids, and Frank S. Porter, of Lansing, for secretaries. Maj. Watkins made a strong speech urging the silver men in all parties to unite upon a single ticket. The resolutions were very strong denunciations of the gold standard, declaring it was instituted through bribery, intimidation, corruption and fraud, and that it has brought idleness, pauperism and bankruptcy upon the debtor and laboring classes while it has enriched the creditor class, and that its continuance will result in universal bankruptcy and the confiscation of the property of the producing classes. The free and unlimited coinage of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1 is then advocated for the United States, independent of any other nation.

The committee on state organization recommended that the new party be called the Union Silver party; that the convention select a state committee which shall elect its own officers and be authorized to call a state convention at suitable time and place to put in nomination an electoral and state ticket, inviting the support of all who favor the restoration of the right of silver to free coinage of our mints as it existed prior to 1873, and who favor congressional control of the value of money; that congressional and county committees be authorized to take like action to put in nomination congressional tickets. Delegates were elected by districts to the St. Louis free silver convention, and delegates-at-large as follows: J. W. McGrath, of Detroit; O. E. Crozier, of Ann Arbor; C. J. Covey, of Grand Lodge; E. C. Watkins, of Belding; D. A. Reynolds, of Lansing; C. H. McGuffey, of Mendenhall; H. E. Light, of Saginaw; C. J. Chaddock, of Muskegon; Douglas Robin, of Mecosta.

Col. C. G. Bradshaw delivered a forceful address and after others had vented their enthusiasm they adjourned. The state central committee organized by electing Chas. R. Nigh and Geo. F. Richardson, of Grand Rapids, chairman and secretary respectively, and called a meeting at Grand Rapids, July 29.

**Double Tragedy on Belle Isle.** Detroit's famous Belle Isle park was the scene of a double tragedy which has several mysterious features. It was about 7 a. m. when two men going fishing crossed one of the bridges over a canal on the island. As they glanced down they saw the body of a man floating in the water. The police were notified and the body was sent to the city morgue in Detroit where it was later identified as that of Bernard Wetzel, aged 45, of 339 Elliot street. His wife died a year ago and since then Wetzel had been drinking very hard and had spent all of his money. About 1 p. m. the same day two women sitting on the bank of the canal near the same bridge observed the body of a woman in the canal. They gave an alarm and the police soon had the body on the bank. It was that of a woman aged about 50, clad very scantily, without shoes and with a shawl over her head, and she wore a rosary with two small medals engraved in French. An autopsy later in the day showed that the woman was seriously troubled with heart disease. There was very little water in her lungs. The finding of the two bodies so near the same spot and within a few hours of each other gave the appearance of a murder and a suicide, or a double suicide, but there were no marks of violence on either body. It is known that Wetzel had threatened to suicide and the most plausible theory seems to be that Wetzel and the unknown woman were at the island together when Wetzel suddenly made up his mind to end his life. Rushing to the canal he plunged in, and the woman, being very excitable, tried to rescue him but was attacked by her enemy—heart disease—and tumbled into the water dead. This would account for the small quantity of water in her lungs, as had she died from drowning they would have been filled.

A valuable horse belonging to J. T. Hannan at Traverse City hung itself by catching its head in a manger. At the special election at Grand Haven for the purpose of bonding the city for an electric light plant the proposition was defeated. The People's Savings bank of Lansing has closed its doors and will go into the hands of a receiver. The bank is capitalized at \$150,000. Pontiac Baptists dedicated a new church which takes the place of a structure erected in 1841—the oldest Baptist church in Michigan. John Munsh, aged 56, an eccentric fellow living in a shanty on the river front, just outside of Saginaw, was killed by an F. & P. M. engine. Ben Johnson was found dead in a log pond at Daggett. Marks of violence gives an appearance of foul play. He leaves a wife and eight children.

## BUTCHERED HIS CHILDREN.

An Attica Farmer Cut the Throats of Three Children and Then Suicided.

Gorham Swain, a farmer, lived one mile south of Attica with six of his nine children. Fred, aged 19; Annie, 18; Bird, 17; Lucy, 16; Frank 13; James, 6. His wife died a year ago. It is alleged that Swain was very harsh with his children and was in the habit of horsewhipping them on the slightest provocation. While the father was away from home for the day the children went to a neighbor's. Swain returned and finding the house locked became furious with rage. He struck Annie in the face and she and Bird fled to the Pierce's across the road, for shelter. Fred went to his brother Sam's house. The next Swain tried to get Annie and Bird to come back home, but they were afraid. He had often threatened to kill them all, and they suspected his seeming kindness. Annie went away to Metamora, where her sister Nettie is working. In the evening Fred went and got 25¢ clothes, and Sam went with him. Toward morning Hattie Pierce, the neighbor's daughter, was awakened by smoke which rolled in at the open window. She aroused her brother and her father and they discovered the Swain home on fire. After calling and knocking they smashed the door in and went into the house. They found Frank and James lying on the floor dead, with their throats cut. Swain lay dead on the floor with a bullet hole just over his heart. In a moment the Pierce's had the bodies out on the grass, and then they looked for Lucy. She lay on the lounge in parlor, with her throat cut. By the time they had got her body out, the house was in flames and it was destroyed without a thing being saved.

## Epworth Leaguers of Michigan.

Over half a thousand young Methodists gathered on Mount Epworth, near Ludington, as Old Sol was shooting his first shafts of silver light upon the dark waters of Lake Michigan, and sang and prayed and went up from thankful hearts to the Great Giver of Light. It was the opening sunrise praise service of the sixth annual convention of the Epworth League of Michigan. About 800 delegates attended the business sessions. The secretary reported the state membership at 37,500, an increase of 2,500. During the year 40 new chapters were organized making a total of 650. Addresses were made by prominent league and church workers of Michigan and other states, and helpful papers were read and conferences held in the interests of the six departments of the league. Officers elected: President, J. H. Grant, of Manistee; first vice president, F. C. Pillsbury, of Pontiac; second vice, Mrs. H. C. Scripps, of Detroit; third, D. H. Waldo, of Albion; fourth, Mrs. Elvin Swarthout, of Grand Rapids; junior superintendent, Mrs. M. Francis Pullar, of Saginaw; secretary, W. Scott Jones, of Detroit; treasurer, W. J. Meisenheimer, of Ludington. The next convention will be held at Jackson during the Easter vacation.

## Ancient Order of Hibernians.

The national convention of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, the leading Irish fraternal organization, was held in Detroit. Pontifical high mass was celebrated in St. Peter and Paul's cathedral, by Bishop Foley and the opening event. The convention was called to order at the Catholic club by President O'Connor, of Savannah, Ga. One of the most important actions of the convention was the authorization of the organization of a ladies' auxiliary. The treasurer of the A. O. H. reported \$3,847 on hand and that \$49,000 of the \$50,000 fund authorized two years ago to found a chair of Gaelic language at the Catholic University at Washington had already been raised by subscribers. President O'Connor reported 160 divisions and 25 companies of Hibernian rifles and knights, with several members, organized within the past 26 months. The entertainment of the delegates included a reception, a grand banquet, boat rides, lunches for the ladies and a parade of big dimensions and imposing style.

## Tattered and Feathered by Was Red Men.

Only a few weeks ago a man in Montrose township, Genesee county, was tarred and feathered because he was suspected of being too intimate with his neighbor's wife while that neighbor languished in jail. A similar case is now reported from the township of Genesee—in the same county. Mrs. Nelson Ferguson, whose husband recently served a term in the state reformatory for arson, engaged Ed. Neward to help her work the farm during Ferguson's stay in prison. Her illegals returned a few weeks ago, and she says he with six other masked men came to her home, dragged her out of bed and covered his body with tar. She says she recognized her husband by his voice; that he choked her, and that finally she and her 14-year-old daughter escaped and fled to a neighbor's for protection. Officers are investigating.

## Aged Couple Killed by a Train.

While John Peet and wife, a wealthy and aged couple living near South Lyon, were driving across the P. & M. M. track near North Lyon, a train ran into them, smashing the buggy into splinters and killing both almost instantly. The bodies were terribly mangled, and for several hours remained unidentified. Mr. Peet wore a gold watch, which was still running when found. Alex McDonald's farm and buildings, near Sand Lake, burned to the ground together with considerable farm machinery, hay and grain. The loss is \$3,000 insured for \$2,000. A 2-year-old son of Chas. Caswell fell from a porch at Muskegon and a collar button, which he had in his mouth, lodged in his windpipe. Before a physician could be summoned the little fellow died of strangulation.

## NEWS FOR MICHIGANDERS.

Albert Wink, aged 15, was drowned in the well at his home near Muskegon.

Chas. Wright was killed while crossing the F. & P. M. railroad at Bay City. Bent's elevator and feed mill burned at Marcellus. Loss \$3,000. Incendiary.

A house owned by James Bosman, at Flint, was totally destroyed by an incendiary fire.

A 9-month-old babe of Frank Sheppard, near Elsie, pulled a cup of hot tea from the table and was fatally scalded.

Blanford Baker, aged 17, was thrown from a load of grain by a runaway team near Flint. He struck on his head breaking his neck and dying instantly.

Half an inch of ice was made at Freighton in the upper peninsula during the recent cold weather. The huckleberry crop is completely ruined, so the campers say.

There is a movement on foot to build an electric road from Ludington to Hart to afford Okama fruit growers an opportunity to ship to Milwaukee by way of Ludington.

Fire was discovered in the shoe store of L. A. Bentley, at Eaton Rapids, at 2:30 a. m. but by prompt work it was subdued. The loss will probably be \$8,000. The origin of the fire is unknown.

Wheeler & Co. shipbuilders, at Bay City, posted notices in and about their premises, declaring their yard non-union. About 900 men are at work and the company says they will all remain.

Army worms have appeared in immense numbers in Houghton, Marquette and adjoining upper peninsula counties and are doing great damage to crops. All cereal and grass crops except red clover are destroyed by them.

Several ladies of the law and order league at St. Joseph spent two hours in the principal saloon of town and went through the wine rooms and gambling rooms. Hundreds of people watched the ladies and a great sensation was caused.

Father S. Truski, the Polish priest who incited the riots against Father Matkowski, at St. Stanislaus church, Bay City, has been sentenced to an indefinite penitence in the Trappist monastery at Gettysburg, Ky., by Bishop Richier.

Upon the recommendation of Inspector Walsh an order has been issued by Adj. Gen. Green mustering out of the state service Co. D of the First Infantry, located at Three Rivers. Inspection showed that the company was in poor condition.

Mrs. Catharine Laver, aged 72, was found dead in a cistern at Blissfield by her husband John Laver. She was aroused by the storm and went out doors. Her husband missed her and made a search. She was still warm when found, but he could not pull her out, being nervous and weak.

William Lamb, a barber at Byron was held up by four highwaymen while going home from his shop, but escaped with his money. Although two of the men had revolvers, he succeeded in making it interesting for them with a club and got away uninjured. The men fired at him several times.

Pontiac voters defeated a proposition to bond for \$9,500 to pay current expenses for the next six months. The result leaves the common council in a predicament. At their last meeting all bills for municipal work were laid on the table. By the provisions of the charter the council cannot appropriate money for anything unless the required amount is in the treasury.

Last March a clever counterfeiter known as C. W. Brooks made his escape from a United States marshal on route from Chicago to Minneapolis. Deputy Marshal Henry Hayden, of Jackson, who had a description of Brooks, has arrested a man answering his description after a sharp run in which Chief Boyle and several patrolmen took part. He will be taken to Chicago.

A stranger, aged about 32, attempted to assault Ida Unterkircher, aged 9, near Allegan, in broad daylight, but she escaped to her home. Friends and relatives chased the fellow to the village and he then made for the river and jumped in, although efforts were made to rescue him he was drowned. After the body was pulled out letters were found showing him to be M. C. Stevens, of Grand Rapids.

The chiefs of Police and Sheriff's association of Michigan, which held an interesting session at Saginaw, decided to hold their next meeting at Port Huron in July, 1897. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, H. O. Carr, superintendent of police of Grand Rapids; vice president, Sheriff J. W. Kerns, of Saginaw; secretary and treasurer, John P. Sanford, superintendent of police of Lansing.

The Mackinac Island park commission is very desirous of making needed improvements, but the lack of funds prevent. They have planned for a new roadway around the island and for a system of waterworks, but the income from rentals now are only sufficient for the most pressing temporary improvements and keeping up appearances. The next legislature will be expected to make an appropriation.

The steamer H. A. Root arrived at Alpena from Milwaukee on another expedition to find and raise the steamer Pewabic, sunk in Thunder Bay 30 years ago, with a valuable cargo of copper. This expedition is sent out by the American-Salvage & Wrecking Co. The Root is well fitted out and carries a crew of 14 men besides three divers. They will not sweep for the Pewabic, but will endeavor to locate the wreck by a new secret method.

All departments of labor on ship-building is being organized at Bay City by C. H. Sidener, general organizer of the American Federation of labor.

## THE FOUR QUARTERS

NEWS OF INTEREST FROM ALL OVER THE GLOBE.

**Sixteen Laborers Drowned by a Boat Capsizing in Cleveland Harbor—A Flood in Kentucky Drowns 10 More People—U. S. Fruit Prospects not Promising.**

## 16 Men Drowned at Cleveland.

At least 16 lives were lost by the upsetting of a boat, which occurred on the old river bed near the ore docks of the Cleveland & Pittsburgh Railway, at Cleveland. The ore handlers had just quit work for the day and were waiting their turns to cross the branch of the river on the flat bottom ferry boat which they had provided for their own use. The boat, which is about 30 feet long and not more than four feet wide, would carry safely not more than a dozen persons, but 30 jumped on. The stream is not wide, however, and the ferrying ore handlers had no thought of danger. The boat was pushed from the shore and was being propelled across the stream. When it was about half way across a passing ore steamer caused swells which upset the boat. Those who remained on shore at once threw life preservers and planks to the unfortunate men, but most of the poor fellows sank. A few, however, managed to swim ashore, while one or two were picked up by a tug.

## General Fruit Crop Prospects.

Generally poor condition of fruit throughout the country is announced in the agricultural department report. Apples declined in condition from 71 to 64 during the past month. Prospects for excellent crops still continue in New England, New York, Pennsylvania, Michigan and Iowa. In other parts of the country the condition of the crop is far below the average, particularly in the Atlantic coast states. The peach crop promises to be of medium proportions. During the past month a fall of 12.9 points has taken place, leaving the general average now 51.8. Good crops are expected in Delaware, Maryland, Michigan, Ohio, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Missouri and Kansas. In the European countries throughout the past month the conditions were highly favorable to growing grain.

## Drive the Turks Out of Europe.

A special from Athens says: Dr. Du-miller, who was sent to Crete by Emperor William to make a report on the condition of affairs, has arrived on his return from the island. He says: "Civilized people can scarcely credit the outrages which the Turks have perpetrated on Christian women and children. Europe has but a faint idea of the horrors which have taken place. The powers must absolutely intervene to prevent the renewal of such scenes. There is but one course to pursue, that is to turn the Turks out of Europe." He adds: "The insurgents intend fighting, and they are receiving a plentiful supply of arms. The utmost disorder prevails." Dispatches from the Cretan consuls announce that burning and pillaging have begun afresh.

## Ten Drowned in a Flood.

A storm and a cloudburst brought destruction to the Benson valley, south of Frankfort, Ky. Ten lives were lost near Gaines' bridge by the washing away of farm houses, before the occupants realized their danger. The dead are: James G. Bradley, Mrs. Emma T. Bradley, Elmo Bradley, Flora Bradley, two Bradley children, Mrs. Mollie Bryant, Ellison Bryant, aged 3; Nora Bryant, aged 13; Thomas Massie, colored. Half a dozen or more county bridges were washed away. The most valuable was the one recently constructed over Benson creek and cost \$20,000. Hundreds of acres of crops are totally ruined and it is impossible to even approximate the awful damage, but it will positively exceed \$100,000.

## Strikers Still Causing Trouble.

The strike at the Brown Hoisting Co. works at Cleveland still continues as does the rioting. A mob attacked a party of non-union men badly injuring several. The police were unable to handle the mob and five companies of militia have again been called out to maintain the peace. The state arbitration board has exhausted its efforts to induce the employees and managers of the works to submit to arbitration, and will now proceed with the investigation of the cause of the difficulty. The employers simply will not allow their men to belong to a union and the board will determine if the men have that right.

## Cloudburst in Ohio.

A cloudburst struck McArthur, O., accompanied by lightning. Some houses were deluged six inches over the floor. The reservoir broke, two bridges were washed away, the roof of Nissens' drug store blown off, the Elko Co.'s store, and three dwelling houses were struck by lightning. The Columbus, Hocking Valley & Toledo railroad badly damaged. It was the severest storm ever known in this section. Roads leading to town were made impassable in some places.

The Republican national committee will establish headquarters at both New York and Chicago.

Four men armed with revolvers entered the office of the New York Biscuit Co. (the cracker trust) at Chicago at noon, held up the cashier and made away with the cash box containing \$2,000. They made good their escape.

While a pound fishing boat was on its way from Vermilion, O., to Kelly's island, Lake Erie, a squall struck her. She was capsized and George Alexander, Howard Cuddeback, of Vermilion, and John Alheit, Sandusky, thrown out. Alexander and Alheit were drowned. The other man grasped floating wreckage and after several hours was rescued by a passing boat.

## FLOOD, WIND AND LIGHTNING.

Cincinnati, Pittsburgh and Numerous Other Suffer Heavy Damage.

A rainfall of 1.77 inches in 50 minutes washed away many houses in Pittsburgh and Allegheny, Pa. and caused losses of at least \$1,000,000. No lives were lost. The storm came very suddenly and gave little warning. The water rose and came down in sheets and in a few minutes the streets were like running rivers. At Forty-eighth street, Lawrenceville, probably the most destruction was wrought. Every house on the north side of Butler street, from Forty-eighth street east, was flooded, many of them being entirely ruined. Quite a number of families were rendered homeless in this district. In Allegheny, Perryville avenue was flooded from one end to the other, undermining the new street railway, rendering it almost a total loss. Seven miles of Saw Mill Run plank road is destroyed, the planks being carried away and the road ruined. The water went rushing down Madison avenue and East streets four feet deep. The sewer on compromise street gave way and the water poured its way right through houses in its track, and deposited buildings and gravel in front of the Twelfth ward schoolhouse eight feet high. The soap factory of George Harley & Son, on Madison avenue, has three feet of gravel on the ground floor. The house of John Mueller, on Spring Hill, was washed down the hill with three children in it. They were all rescued. A landslide on Toboggan street carried with it into the streets below 1,000 tons of earth, rock and gravel.

Cincinnati, Covington and Newport had a storm of unusual severity. The rain came in blinding sheets that overtaxed the sewers in the lower part of Cincinnati and flooded streets. Business was practically suspended. In Covington the roof of the Ledyer Tobacco warehouse was blown off and \$10,000 worth of tobacco ruined. The West Covington opera house roof was taken off as also were the roofs of several dwellings in Newport.

## The Storm in Ohio.

At Portsmouth Ed Duruid was killed by lightning and several companions were badly hurt. In the sand hill off field near Marietta several tanks were set on fire causing a loss of \$8,000, and six men narrowly escaped with their lives. Besides a destructive cloudburst near Winchester several places were damaged by lightning. James Rodderman suffering a \$2,500 loss. James Rice and John Hill each lost a barn and A. W. Cochran is looking for part of his home which was formerly near Fremont, Bundy's creek, near Wellston, became so flooded that it burst into Wellston Mine No. 1, completely filling it with water and putting 150 men out of work for a time. The Presbyterian church at Cumberland received a bolt of lightning and the dome isn't as pretty as it used to be; and Homer Horen knows what a-greased lightning is now. A train came near plunging into a washout on the P. C. & St. L. railway near Dennison, but was narrowly averted. Lightning struck an oil tank near Westport causing a serious blaze. The home of Robt. Little, of Lisbon, was struck by lightning and Little was instantly killed, and his wife badly shocked. Miss Taylor, a neighbor, was also seriously injured.

## NEWS ITEMS IN BRIEF.

The executive committee of the New York state Democracy has repudiated the Chicago platform. It also advocated the putting of a gold candidate in the field.

A very destructive fire visited Henderson, Ky. The Pythian building, Park theater and Barrett house were totally destroyed together with a number of small buildings. The loss is not less than \$250,000.

The horses attached to a band wagon in Buffalo Bill's Wild West show became frightened at Massillon, O., and ran away. They ran under a low bridge and the musicians were all knocked from the wagon. Four were terribly injured and two will die.

Mrs. Etta Robbins, a notorious character, is in jail at Huntington, W. Va., accused of the murder of A. J. Call, her daughter Nellie, aged 25, and also of mortally wounding Lollie Call, aged 20, besides seriously wounding Otis Call, aged 11, and Tracy, aged 13. The scene of the tragedy was a shanty boat moored six miles above Huntington, of which the victims and the murderers were joint occupants.

Rosana, the 10-year-old daughter of Mrs. James W. Foutch, died at Zanesville, under peculiar circumstances. She read everything about the St. Louis hurricane and became a victim of nervous prostration. During the thunderstorms that prevailed at Zanesville recently she said there was a hurricane coming and soon suffered prostration from the effect of which she died.

A reign of terror exists in the counties of Schoto, Meigs and Gallia in Ohio, along the river. At Portsmouth the Second Presbyterian church was badly damaged by dynamite. Previously there were attempts to blow up with dynamite the powerhouse of the street-railway and the Officers school building. A gang of 20 outlaws are said to be evading all efforts of the posers to capture them in Meigs and Gallia counties.

Almost half a square in Ashtabula, O., was swept by fire in the business portion of the city. The fire originated in a lively stable in the rear of Main street and rapidly spread. Ten buildings were destroyed and three others gutted. Among those destroyed was the Duero block, the finest business structure in the city. Several firemen were seriously injured and three men were dragged unconscious from the burning buildings. Loss, \$50,000; partly insured.

An unknown man was killed by a train near the tunnel yards at Port Huron. He was dressed as a farmer.

## VENEZUELAN DISPUTE AGAIN.

Counsel Storror, for Venezuela, Presents Strong Statements Against Britain.

Washington: Venezuela's brief, prepared by Counsel Storror and presented to the Venezuelan commission, as well as to the British consul, is the most important paper that has appeared in the Venezuelan boundary case. Mr. Storror demonstrates that there never has been any British sovereignty in the disputed territory; that the Dutch never gained the slightest foothold in the Orinoco basin, and therefore never transferred what did not exist to Great Britain, and caps his arguments by demonstrating that the Schomburgk line, as held by Lord Salisbury, was a forgery perpetrated by the English government 20 years after Schomburgk's death. Mr. Storror says the British claim has no basis except occupation, and the rules of law applied even to the facts alleged not only give no support to the British attempt to extend the boundary but are specifically and affirmatively fatal to it. He demolishes the so-called temporary posts in the Cuyuni basin and at Barrina Point by showing that they were mere trading stations, quickly destroyed by the Spanish who maintained sovereignty over the region, and proves that the actual settlements of the Dutch and the Spanish were separated by 150 miles of forest.

## Cubans Win a Big Victory.

A dispatch from the headquarters of Gen. Maceo, insurgent leader in Pinar del Rio province, Cuba, says that the Spaniards under Gen. Suarez Inclan have sustained a crushing defeat at the hands of the insurgents under Antonio Maceo. The battle was near Maceo's stronghold. For two weeks the insurgents had been very aggressive and small parties repeatedly attacked the trocha, causing the Spaniards much annoyance. Gen. Inclan was ordered to drive back these detached bands of insurgents, and for this purpose took with him 2,000 men. Maceo expected such a movement and arranged to ambush the Spaniards. The Spaniards followed the insurgent skirmishers incautiously and fell into the ambush. Then the Cubans opened fire from all sides, which threw the Spaniards into confusion. While the Spaniards were thus disordered the Cubans charged, completely routing their foes. Gen. Inclan made a desperate effort to rally his demoralized forces, but was surrounded by the Cubans and compelled to surrender. It is said in Havana that the Spaniards were pursued almost to the trocha and lost 300 men killed and wounded. There were 14 officers among the killed.

## Mutiny and Murder on the High Seas.

The barkentine, Herbert Fuller, Capt. Nash, from Boston for Rosario, put into Halifax, N. S., flying the stars and stripes at half-mast with a black flag immediately beneath. This is the signal for "mutiny on board." When the Fuller was boarded, it was learned that murder had been added to mutiny, and that Capt. Nash, his wife Laura, and Second Officer Bramburg, had been killed in their bunks while asleep. The murders had been committed with an ax. The cook Jonathan Sheere, suspected the mate, Thomas Brown, and succeeded in placing Brown in irons, and he afterwards ironed the man who was at the wheel at the time the murder was committed. The evidence is clear against Brown.

## Cabinet Officials Want a Gold Ticket.

Dispatches from Washington say that it is now definitely announced that Secretaries Olney, Carlisle and Herbert and Postmaster-General Wilson will not support the nominees of the Democratic party at Chicago, it is believed by shrewd politicians that Mr. Cleveland will, within a short time, announce that he favors placing an independent gold ticket in the field.

## THE MARKETS.

LIVE STOCK.			
CATTLE.			
New York—	Cattle	Sheep	Hogs
Best grades	\$4.40	\$4.40	\$5.10
Lower grades	3.40	2.50	4.25
Chicago—	Best grades	4.00	4.25
Lower grades	3.20	2.25	3.75
Detroit—	Best grades	3.75	4.00
Lower grades	3.00	2.50	3.50
Cincinnati—	Best grades	3.75	4.00
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Cleveland—	Best grades	3.75	4.00
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Columbus—	Best grades	3.75	4.00
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Pittsburg—	Best grades	3.75	4.00
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St. Paul—	Best grades	3.75	4.00
Lower grades	2.75	2.15	
Wheat, Corn, Oats.			
No. 3 red	No. 2 mix	No. 2 white	
New York 88 58 27			



The plot to rob the Alton road seems to have been well conducted.

A Philadelphia preacher is now checking wheels free. He says it pays.

There is not a human being on earth that does not hug the delusion that he or she is better than somebody else.

The man who has nerve in tight places grows rich. Cool off the head and enough of them to find their way him out.

There is still hope that Chicago will some day be rid of its robbers. But Colorado Springs burglar after attempting to enter a building committed suicide.

The Germans, who have been entertaining Li Hung Chang, are said to be disappointed that he does not get out of the much coveted Chinese orders and decorations, for the obtaining of which capacious critics claim the fees are being given.

The wife of a Chinese, however, has thus far contented herself with merely thanking his various hosts for their hospitality.

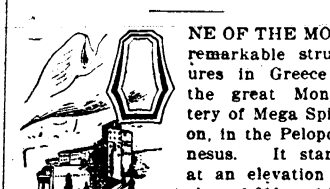
A mountain has fallen down in Belgium. This sounds incredible, but appears to be true. It was not much of a mountain, to be sure, but it was a foot high, but after rocking and rolling about for several days, it actually fell down, covering the plain with debris and leaving what appears to have been its backbone, a huge thin ridge of jagged rock still standing. The peasants are much alarmed and unscrupulous people are attempting to play upon their superstitions to make them sell their land in the neighborhood.

However much the German correspondents may endeavor to talk away the object of the visit of Prince Ludwig, he has not been able to escape his Moscov speech, the real truth seems evident that he has had to apologize and make his peace in a more humiliating manner. The offending remark was: "I am not a vassal of the emperor, I am his ally." But it seems that this did not go with William, who likes no half measures, and the result is that while the matter is not closed, it is not as good as any filly in the market. The cloth will not remove disease germs from the water, neither will any of the ordinary filters. The cloth will take out organic matter and objects large enough to be seen, but it does not remove the bacteria. The cloth will take out organic matter and objects large enough to be seen, but it does not remove the bacteria.

# SCIENTIFIC CORNER.

RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN INVENTION AND INDUSTRY.

**Search on Wheels** One of the latest researches in the West—has been made by a Frenchman, who has been working on the wheels of the automobile. He has been working on the wheels of the automobile. He has been working on the wheels of the automobile.



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The view from the windows (100 feet above ground) is magnificent, a vast landscape of mountain and forest, the latter being a dense growth of pines. The building denotes a series of terraces, on which the monks raise vegetables and fruit.

Every year there are numbers of pilgrims who come to the monastery. The monks are very strict, and the monastery is a place of great interest. The monks are very strict, and the monastery is a place of great interest.

The destruction of valuable trees by beetles has been the occasion of a great deal of discussion and hard work among scientists. After trying many substances, one of the experimenters has found that the best way to destroy these pests is by using a certain substance.

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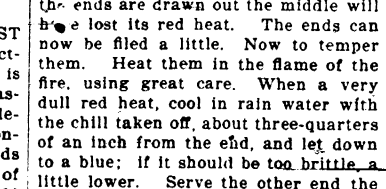
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# IN WOMAN'S CORNER.

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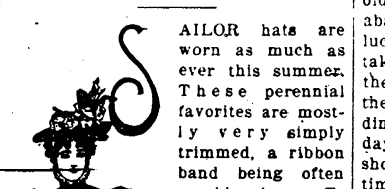
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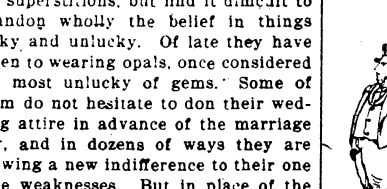
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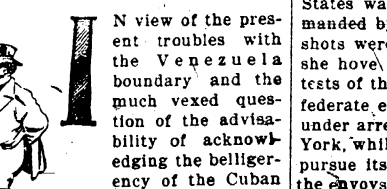
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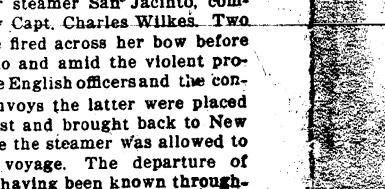
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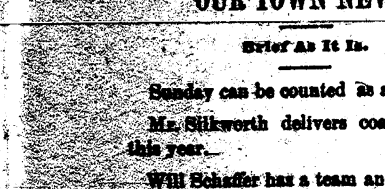
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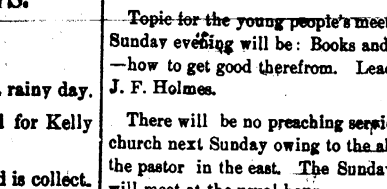
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