

By MAT D. BLOSSER

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22, 1896.

Selfish interests would warp the judgment of a Solomon.

Nothing really looks quite so ridiculous as a vulgar person in stylish clothes.

The man who lets his troubles control his mouth is a heavy addition to the troubles of other people.

Li Hung Chang likes us, but he waited until he was safely on the other side before he ventured to say so.

There are people of such intense personality that they imagine others are interested in the fact that they arise early in the morning.

A Philadelphia boy smoked cigarettes on a wager, against time. It took him only half an hour to absorb poison enough to kill him.

In a recent letter Dr. George Ebers, the famous German Egyptologist, thus sums up his life: "Next March I shall be sixty years of age, and I have loved much, erred much, borne much and worked much."

The most famous clown in America, Austin B. Cray, famous for his "Hey Rube" expression and his donkey and cart performances in Barnum's and other circus shows, has gone mad.

A Minneapolis man fell in love with a Chicago woman after reading in a newspaper a synopsis of her ideas of what a husband should be.

Friends of Rockford college, a college for young women in Rockford, Illinois, and of the University of Wisconsin, have contributed funds for a fellowship in economics for the coming year.

The Chinese province, Manchuria, which came into prominence during the late Chinese-Japanese war, appears to be recovering rapidly from the effects of the recent war.

As an indication of what is possible in the way of fruit raising in Illinois we read with interest that a second crop of strawberries is being gathered and sent to market from the neighborhood of Alhambra, New Douglas, Beulah and Alton.

Singular as it may seem, there are plenty of people whose main source of regret is that they were not more wicked when they had opportunities.

Unfortunately for most people they do not look as old as they would like to when young, or as young as they desire after crossing the divide.

A POET IN HER 12TH.

SHE BEGAN WRITING VERSES AT THE AGE OF SIX.

The Work Done by Margaret F. Mauro Now 14 Years Old—Her Education at Home—Her Instinctive Turn to Rhyme—Love for Dolls.

In the midsummer St. Nicholas, there appeared seven poems by a girl of 12 years. The author is little Margaret Frances Mauro, of Washington, D. C., now in her fourteenth year.

O lovely flower, loveliest of thy kind, kind, Fair as the purple cloud that sunset decks,

A beautiful blossom of thy gentle sex, A bit of fragrance, budding on the wind,

A storehouse for the honey-gathering bee; Now coyly smiling with coquettish grace,

Now with a lovely look upon thy face. An upward glance of grave, sweet purity,

A drop of purple dew that gleams, then fades. Sets upon earth's green breast another gem,

Then, lifeless, hangs upon its withered stem. Drops—and the grassy woodland dells and glades

Know it no more—forget it did exist— But in my heart, O flower, thou art forever missed.

Oysters becoming scarce. "Oysters will be a very rare delicacy in a few years," said C. C. Hunt, an oyster man of New York.

TO PACIFY CHRISTIANS.



MGR. TCHAMATCHIAN.

The suspension and exile of the sultan of Turkey of the most reverend patriarch, or metropolitan bishop, of the Armenian community at Constantinople, rendered it needful that a "locum tenens" should be appointed for the administration of the affairs of that church in the capital of the Turkish empire.

Perhaps the most wonderful verses ever written by a child not yet in her teens are in the poem entitled "Ye Romance of Ye Olden Time," which Margaret wrote before she was 12 years old.

Besides the almost absolute perfection of the rhyme, and the simple music of the verses, the spelling, the syntactical form of the lines are true to the genius of ancient English.

MARGARET FRANCES MAURO.

Philip Mauro, a patent lawyer, and all the years of her young life, except one, were spent abroad. The child never went to school, except at frequent intervals, as her mother preferred to educate her according to her own ideas of what a little girl should learn.

SCIENTIFIC CORNER. CURRENT NOTES OF SCIENCE AND INDUSTRY.

The Examination of Plumbing as a Safeguard to Health. A Chicagoan Tinsmith—A Magazine Pistol—Railway Accidents Caused by Heat.

Physicians and sanitary experts tell us that outbreaks of fever and other diseases that frequently occur during the autumn may be caused by the neglect of a few simple sanitary precautions.

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Notes of Science. The chemical constituents of the mushroom are almost identical with those of meat, and it possesses the same nourishing properties.

Professor Norton, of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, has succeeded in getting Roentgen photographs of the liver, heart and lungs sufficiently plain to admit of medical examination.

Paraffin is one of the most valuable products of petroleum, and its manufacture has been brought to such perfection that it is scarcely possible to improve upon it.

Improving the Complexion. Carrie O. and Mollie Bawn want to know how they may improve their complexions. They are troubled with blackheads and freckles.

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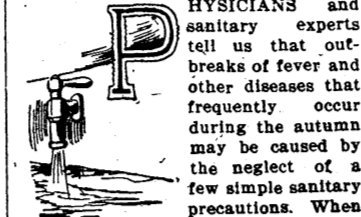
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The smallest watch in the world is set in a finger ring. This novel time-keeper is worn constantly by R. P. Holden, a Chicagoan.



Banana Leaves. Banana leaves serve many useful purposes, for of them are made toothbrushes, mats and hammocks.

Effect of Electricity on Aluminum Wire. It has been ascertained by experiment that an electric current sent through an aluminum wire heated it to a temperature of four hundred degrees above its melting point.

There is a strong sentiment growing up in the public mind in favor of blown glass against cut glass, and when one has taken careful note of the exquisitely tinted blown glass of Murano there is little wonder.

For removing grease spots from white linen or cotton goods use soap or weak lyes; for colored calicoes, warm sopsuds; for woollens, sopsuds or ammonia; for silks, benzine, ether, magnesia or chalk.

The following is a good remedy for vines or shrubs bleeding: Take twenty ounces of black pitch, three ounces of bees-wax, three ounces of resin, three ounces of tallow, crumble all together well before placing over a hot fire, thoroughly well mix, and apply warm in a liquid state.

"I don't believe in hypnotism," she said with an air of one who had given the matter some thought.

"No, I do not," she answered. "Do you?" "Certainly I do," he replied.

"I have been here for three days," said the stranger impressively.

"And I have a notion of investing and settling down here, but if that confounded fellow in the house across the way can't be induced to stop playing 'If you love me, tell me so' on the corner I am going to some other town."

"Ethel—Will brought the engagement ring last night. Emma—Why, where is it?" "Oh, it was too large. He's having it made smaller."

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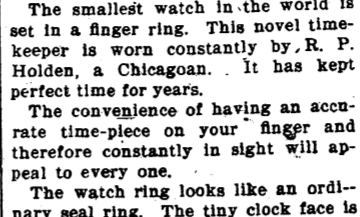
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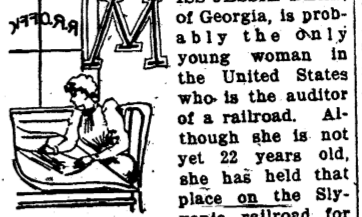
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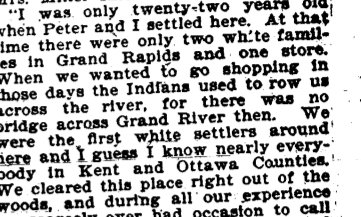
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OUR TOWN NEWS.

The council met last night. Keep the boys at home nights. Our merchants are busy taking in new goods. The pay car passed over the branches yesterday. The hotels get a benefit when candidates come.

Wm. Rehfsuss offered Henry Gilbert of this village \$300 for four fat steers, but Henry would not sell. The republicans held a meeting at the hall Tuesday evening, a full house being present. Gen. Geo. Spalding of Monroe was the first speaker and his discussion was clear and pointed.

OTHER TOWNS' NEWS.

From Our Neighbors. BROOKLYN. John and Ralph Covert are still very ill. Mr. & Mrs. Herbert Knowles are in Blissfield. A free show troupe was in town the first of the week.

BRIDGEWATER.

J. E. Vogel of Lansing came here to attend his father's funeral. Mr. Vogel, who was run over by a horse several weeks ago, died last Saturday and was buried Tuesday.

Announcements.

Subject of discourse in the universalist church next Sunday morning: Saving knowledge. The C. E. will have a consecration meeting Sunday evening. Topic: My favorite bible sentence and why I love it.

Do You Know That Cash Is King IN TRADE? Ten Per Cent. Interest on Money Invested! SEE what the Cash System will do for all who trade with us. The Freese-Whittelsey Co. Stocky Built Men..... They Like Our Stock. Something New Every Week. New Dress Goods. CLOAKS. YOCUM, MARX & CO. Increase Of Trade. J. ROLLER & CO.

IRON CREEK.

Fred Herman came up from Tecumseh to visit over Sunday.

BORN.

WALKER.-In this village on Friday, Oct. 16, 1896, to Mr. & Mrs. Geo. Walker, a son.

DIED.

COVERT.-In Brooklyn on Saturday Oct. 17, 1896, of typhoid pneumonia, Mrs. Sarah Covert, wife of J. C. Covert.

NORVELL.

The free silversmiths raised a pole yesterday afternoon.

Commercial.

Home Markets. BEANS-Good demand at 60c @ 65c bu. BUTTER-Good demand at 10c @ 11c lb.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE PEOPLE'S BANK.

At Manchester, Michigan, at the close of business, Oct. 6th 1896. RESOURCES. Loans and discounts \$57,224.61

