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We having just returned from New York with one of the largest and most complete stocks of Dry Goods and Carpets that has ever been shown in the city of Owosso. Our stock is now in, and every department is jammed full of New Goods.

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In endless variety, at prices that can't help but suit all.

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GEORGE R. BLACK, Owosso.

Presents! Presents!

I have just returned from the east, and have opened up one the **Largest and Most Magnificent Stocks of**

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Ever shown in this county. It will pay people for their time if they will only spend half a day looking my stock over,

Goods are Beautiful and **VERY CHEAP.**

G. W. LORING, Owosso.

Local and Miscellaneous.

THE PRESS is delayed one day this week, to enable us to give the President's Message with this issue. It is in supplement form.

DIME MUSEUM, at Opera Hall Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, afternoon and evening. Admission 10 cents.

MARRIED, this (Wednesday) noon, at the residence of ex-Alderman G. W. Chapel, father of the bride, Mr. George Laramy, of Grand Rapids and Miss Ida E. Chapel, Rev. D. W. Sharts officiating. THE PRESS congratulates.

—Mrs. G. E. Thomas and daughter Nellie went to Detroit Monday, to see the great actress, Ristori, play.

—Frank Henderson is teaching school in New Haven.

—John V. Powlison, of Southeast Vernon, died Nov. 22, in his 54th year.

—T. S, Vinning, of Owosso, has purchased the Bancroft House, subject to Mr. Trumbell's lease, which expires on the first day of May next.—Bancroft Advertiser.

—We are informed that school officers wishing to obtain a male teacher for the coming winter, can find one of experience by addressing J. G. Monroe, of the Perry school.

—The prospectus of that standard paper for farmers, the Michigan Farmer, will be found on the sixth page of this paper. Reduced terms in club with THE PRESS are given.

—It will be seen by the letter from our valued correspondent, Mr. H. W. Becker, that he has abandoned the inclement winds of the north for a home in sunny Florida, from which land he will next greet PRESS readers.

—Mr. G. W. Love came from his home in Crawford county to attend the funeral of his father, but remained only a few days. Mr. Love was elected Supervisor of his township last spring, and the Board made him their Chairman.

—Mr. H. H. Carson says that Sunday morning he fed his turkeys and the number was complete; Sunday night on returning from church there wasn't a turkey on his premises. He probably will respond "yea" to Dr. Parkill's question, "Shall we have vigilance committees?

P. S. They've all come back again. They had strayed away.

—We commend to the attention of all Union voters of the Eighth District, the excellent and appreciative congratulatory address issued by the Chairman of the Democratic Congressional Committee of the District. The address is clear comprehensive, and gives credit to whomsoever credit is due. It is printed on the second page of this paper.

—The publications of Harper and Brothers, New York, are world-renowned. In this paper will be found the prospectuses of Harper's Magazine Weekly and Bazar. Each is superior of its kind and occupies the highest position in its literary field. We commend them to the public in making up their reading for the year. See prospectuses.

Bancroft Advertiser:—

Parties in New York City are making inquiries in regard to the feasibility of establishing a factory in Bancroft that will give employment to twenty-five or fifty men.

Married, at the M. E. parsonage, Nov. 27, 1884, by Rev. C. E. Benson, Mr. Cashius Skinner, of Antrim, to Miss Perces Ford, of Shiawassee.

Sheriff Cole was down in the Port Huron country last week on a visit to his great, great uncle, Judge Bunce, of Marysville, a well preserved pioneer of 97. The old gentleman came into the state seventy years ago and still lives where he originally located. At that time he knew every white man in Michigan. The Judge bids fair to see his 100th birthday.—[Shiawassee Journal.

KITTIE GUILE TODD.

[IN MEMORIAM]

In early days, when she was young,
Gay and loving friends, around her clung,
To gather laurels from her life,
As garlands from the Sea of Strife.

A favorite in her chosen way,
She won kind friends, each hour, each day;
She guarded well her christian life,
Cheering her home, as a loving wife.

Three little girls, called her mother,
One has gone beyond the river,
Kittie too, has left us here,
Tis sad to part with one so dear.

Sad but true, was the funeral knell,
Sadder, softer, tolled the bell,
Kittie's gone to meet her babe,
"Beyond the sunshine and the shade."

We'll gather flowers for her grave,
While o'er it the evergreen shall wave,
Her soul's at rest, with the angel choir,
God whispered, and she's gone up higher.

H. W. HOLMAN.

Owosso, Dec. 1st, 1884.

Death of Ward Ingersoll.

The announcement last Thursday of the death of Ward Ingersoll, of Corunna, the young proprietor of the Shiawassee Journal, although looked upon as a certainty in the near future, was sudden to our community. For several years he has suffered ill health consequent upon an accident to his foot, caused by jumping upon the cars while the train was moving, which necessitated the amputation of the injured foot. Gradually, but surely, he has failed, until consumption finally did its fatal work.

Ward Ingersoll was the son of the late John N. Ingersoll, proprietor of the Shiawassee Journal, and at his father's death, though very young, he assumed the management of the paper, and through the distresses and discouragements of failing health, has maintained the business, keeping the paper up to a creditable position. He was a young man of good character, ambitious to succeed, genial, and much beloved. He died at the early age of twenty-one years. Funeral services took place Sunday afternoon, Rev. Mr, Lemon, Rector of the Episcopal church, officiating.

Concerning the closing of the Hulick store in Corunna, the Journal says:

It is with the utmost sorrow that we announce the closing of Mr. Joseph Hulick's store by the process of law. Tuesday morning it was rumored on the streets that he had sold his store and stock to his brother, Daniel Hulick. Creditors of Mr. Joseph Hulick became alarmed, and the First National Bank of Corunna, in the afternoon, placed an attachment on the property and closed the store. Wednesday other attachments were issued and served. We do not know how seriously Mr. Hulick is embarrassed, but hope for the best. We are informed the store will be closed temporarily. Mr. Hulick has the sympathy of the entire community. We will give fuller particulars next week.

From Perry.

PERRY, Dec. 1, 1884.

Thanksgiving has gone, and with it many a fat turkey—from this vicinity at least. On that day services were held at the Baptist church, and dinner was served in the chapel. A large crowd remained for dinner, and all had an enjoyable time. Net proceeds eleven dollars.

New skating rink in town now, and the young people have plenty of chances to increase the bump on their heads. Our genial fellow-townsman, John Cole man, is proprietor. Any one wishing to commit suicide, give John a call.

Perry can no longer boast of being salooonless, as one was opened last week by Mr. Sid. Green.

A. O. McEuen has opened store in this place, and has a large stock of drugs and groceries. We bespeak for him a liberal patronage.

Rev. Mr. Quaife, of East Toledo, has accepted the pastorate of the Congregational church. The new church is nearly completed, and will soon be ready for dedication.

We are having some very fine weather now, and farmers say they have never known the roads to be in a better condition for this time of year.

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Descriptive of the Mme. LeBrun Memorial Church at Saginaw City, erected under the auspices of Rev. B. F. Matrau, the Saginawian, of Dec. 28, says:

Last Sunday, Memorial Church, erected in memory of the late Mme. LeBrun, was consecrated to divine service. The Choir consisted of the Misses Allen and Ripsom and the Messrs. Green and Williams, with Miss Kate James, organist. The instrument of donation was read by Rev. B. F. Matrau, the sentence of consecration by Rev. W. A. Masker. The bishop read the ante-communion service. The epistle was read by Rev, Mr. Masker, and the gospel by Rev. Mr. Matrau. Rev. Mr. McGrath, a personal friend of the late Madame LeBrun, in whose memory this beautiful little church was erected, preached the sermon, from the text:

Matt. 26: 13—Verily I say unto you, Wheresoever this gospel shall be preached in the whole world, there shall also this that this woman hath done be told for memorial of her.

Two Saginaw City ladies, Mrs. C. H. Green and Mrs. W. S. Green, wife and mother of a prominent lumberman of that place, met a horrible death at East Saginaw, Monday. While attempting to drive across the railroad track the buggy was struck by a freight train, and both ladies were thrown a great distance and instantly killed.

Dwight Marsh and Mat. Towsley, of Shaftsburg, were thrown from a buggy last Friday night. Marsh had three ribs and his collar bone broken, and Towsley was much bruised.—Detroit Evening News.

—The Sanitary Convention, of which program was given in THE PRESS, Nov. 5, is in session at East Saginaw, closing this evening. The Convention is under the auspices of the State Board of Health and Hon. Wm. L. Webber is President.

Thanksgiving Day—Extracts From Rev. Mr. [illegible]'s Sermon.

Thanksgiving [illegible] served in Owosso [illegible] at the Congregational [illegible] Rev. [illegible] nelly, pastor of [illegible], preached a very pra[illegible] cable to the times. Fr[illegible] text: "He hath not dealt so with [illegible] nation" (Ps. 147 20) he chose his theme, "The Glories and Perils of Our Republic." Among the glories of our country he treated upon its material prosperity, giving statistics of a comprehensive and general character, evincing [illegible] research and great care in preparation. As they are of interest to every person in the land we give a portion:

Crops—Perhaps the crops were never better as a whole than those just gathered. From the September and October reports of the Department of Agriculture at Washington, we learn that the average crop product is excellent and very large. The corn crop, which was nearly ruined in the northern states last year, will amount this year to 1,800,000,000 bushels, or average 26 bushels per acre, the largest in the history of the crop, amounting to about 36 bushels for every one of the 50,000,000 of our population.

The wheat crop, it is estimated, will average 13½ bushels per acre or, will amount in the aggreate to 500,000,000 bushels, or 10 bushels to every man, woman or child of our vast population. The quality of wheat last year was 83 per cent; this year it is 96. The European countries will need beyond their production 180,000,000 bushels to supply the demand.

The oat crop will average 27 bushels per acre and will aggregate 570,000,000 bushels, and is of good quality.

The potato crop is large and yet is 5 per cent less than last year.

It is true our wheat crop is very large and it is equally true that the farmer cannot become very wealthy at present prices. The fact is, wheat raising is overdone in this country. The production of the wheat crop in India is lessening and will continue to lessen the foreign demand. Mr. Dodge, the statistician of the Agricultural Department at Washington says that while our population has doubled in 27 years, the wheat area has doubled in 15 years; the supply of wheat per capita in 1849 was 4½ bushels; this year it is 10 bushels. The large wheat crops in British India will diminish somewhat the foreign demand. Last year India exported some 40,000,000 bushels of wheat, and to increase the shipping facilities the British government propose to build through the wheat belt of India over 7,000 miles of railroads. Labor is so cheap in India that wheat can be raised for 36½ cents per bushel, and a good profit can be made at 55 cents per bushel. If this is true, then American farmers will find it difficult to compete with foreign markets when they have to carry it 1500 miles by railroad or 3500 miles by sea. India, Russia, South America and Australia can furnish it in European markets for less money. The Department of Agriculture at Washington say we have 12,000,000 acres of wheat cultivated more than we really need for our own use, and it is unwise to cultivate so much of this product when our farmers can do better with something else.

Wealth of the United States—Next to the crops, notice the increasing wealth of our people as well as our population. As Lord Coleridge, who visited our country one year ago said, "It is well to bear in mind that mere bigness is not greatness," yet at the the same time it is not an unpardonable vanity in Americans to note with pleasurable satisfaction the progress of wealth and population. Of the six leading nations of the world, viz: Great Britain, France, Germany, Russia, Austria and the United States, our own ranks second in number, while it is first in wealth, first in agricultural productions, and first in manufactures. The population of the United States is 50,000,000; Germany 45,000,000; Great Britain 35,000,000; France 37,000,000; Russia 82,000,000; Austria 39,000,000; and yet, while Russia has 30,000,000 more in population, the United States has more than three times the wealth of Russia. The wealth of the United States exceeds that of Great Britain by $10,000,000,000. The agricultural products of the United States are six times more than those of Great Britain, and the manufactures are four times as great. In the International Review of May, 1883, Mr. Henry Gannett, an expert statistician, gives some suggestive figures on this question of the valuation of property in the United States and the increase of wealth since 1850. In 1850 it was 7,000,000,000; in 1860 it was 16,000,000,000; in 1870 it was 30,000,000,000; in 1880 it 40,000,000,000. This would make every man, woman and child in the United States worth about $800. We now number in population 50,000,000, and some predict 100,000,000 in the year 1900 and the Mississippi as the center. The acreage of the United States is said to be 15 times greater than France, and 9 times greater than France and Germany combined.

Railroads—Coupled with this enormous wealth of the country, notice the marvelous growth of the railroads. It hardly seems possible that one-half of the railroads are in the United States, yet such is the fact. Statistics published about one year ago gave all Europe but 107,616 miles of railroad, while at the same time there was built in our country about 120,000 miles of railway. This is sufficient to make five parallel tracks around the globe. No other country on the globe presents such an enterprise in railroad growth as our own. These great lines have been pushed across the continent against stupendous obstacles, and where but afew years ago we had nothing [illegible] Indian tribes there are [illegible] towns and villages [illegible] country open [illegible] tests to investment [illegible] other country [illegible] and Lords have purchased [illegible] of acres [illegible].

Mr Donnelly treated of the benefit [illegible] system [illegible] as a [illegible] government and [illegible] spirit of the age, [illegible] this might be called an age of missions and reformatory movements and charitable works.

Then he spoke of our national perils—naming the mania for speculation in hazardous enterprises, in stock gambling, etc.; luxuriance in living; universal suffrage whereby the ignorant and disreputable, and even the criminal and dangerous classes of foreign lands are permitted to help make our laws; monopolies and the centralization of wealth and power, as seen in the vast railroad, telegraph, oil and other monopolies, controlled by a few men; the extent of the liquor traffic; closing with an appeal for thankfulness to our Heavenly Father that our community has been so blessed and prospered the past year, and for the institution of home and its moulding power on human character.

Chesaning Argus, Nov. 28:

The house of Ezra Spencer at Havana, burned last Tuesday night about nine o'clock. Mr. Spencer was away from home and his wife and children were at a neighbor's sitting up with a sick person. None of the furniture was saved excepting two or three chairs. The house had a fair insurance on it. How the fire originated nobody seems to know. It was plain to be seen from Chesaning.

Accommodations and Charges at New Orleans.

The management of the New Orleans Exposition announce that there need be no anxiety as to finding comfortable quarters at any time during the six months of the Exposition. A department of Information and Accommodation has been organized, concerning which it states:

The Board of Management has organized this Department for the express purpose of aiding all visitors to the Exposition not only in securing suitable accommodations, at moderate rates, but in protecting them in every possible way from excessive charges; and this service is rendered free of cost. The rates will vary, according to location and style of entertainment, as follows:

Furnished rooms, from 75 cents per day and $15 per month up to and including $1.50 per day, and $30 to $40 per month.

Board and lodging will be double the above, or $1.50 per day and $30 per month, to $3 per day and $50 to $75 per month.

These rates will prevail during the entire period of the Exposition, and the Department is assured there will be no lack of comfortable accommodations at these prices. The largest and best hotels, such as the "St. Charles," will charge as usual, $4 per day; while other hotels in the city, as also those in course of erection near the Exposition Grounds, will charge from $2 to $3 per day, according to location of rooms.

The "Department of Information" is conveniently located in the city, at No. 77 Baronne street, and all assistance in securing accommodations is kindly offered to visitors free of charge.

The Rooster as a Democratic Emblem.

From the Cincinnati Enquirer.

"Why, when, and where was the rooster adopted as the emblem of Democracy?"

The question has been asked a thousand times in the last week. It has been suggested, no doubt, by the great popularity of the bird since the 4th day of November.

In 1840, after the Harrison campaign, there was great doubt as to how Indiana had cast her vote. The situation was similar to that in New York to-day in every respect. An editor named Chapman conducted the Democratic newspaper at Indianapolis, and, as is often the case in boasting over a victory, his editorial rejoicing over the result was termed "crowing." In a day or two, when some of the back counties were heard from, it seemed his crowing had been premature, and the Whig organ came out giving the returns showing Democratic defeat, and in the head line was the expression,

"Crow, Chapman, crow."

This was intended as a taunt, and must have been felt, for a few counties yet to hear from again turned the tables, and showed that the Democrats had won. It was then that the rival editor hoisted at the head of his columns a magnificent rooster, and printed under it the words "We Crow."

It made a palpable hit. The passion for roosters spread, and from that day to this the bird immortalized by the Hoosier has been the emblem of Democratic success.

The trial of Dan Holcomb for the Crouch murders grows more exciting as it progresses. The old testimony is being repeated with some new which appears to bear hard upon Holcomb.

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Wednesday, December 3, 1884.

—Greenbacker (Laingsburg) Nov. 27:

Last Friday evening a Mr. and Mrs. Secord drove into this village, and stopped at the house of John Arthur to stay all night. They had a 3-months-old babe with them, rolled up in a blanket When the mother took the babe from the wagon and unrolled it, she found it was dead.

Chesaning Argus, Nov. 28:

We learned last Saturday of a sad mishap that befell Walter Colby, son of Mr. Colby, proprietor of the New Lothrop hotel. While he was out hunting with a double barrel shot gun loaded with buckshot and was stepping over a log the lock part of the gun fell against the log discharging the contents into his body, entering the lower part of his left side and passed on up tearing the flesh in a terrible manner. He is yet alive and in a critical condition.

Ovid Register:

Messrs. Potter & Harris closed their creamery Thursday, for the season. The butter manufactured has been of a superior quality, and has been eagerly sought for at fancy prices. We understand the capacity of the factory is about 1000 pounds per day. They have gathered up the cream daily and paid cash for it. Farmers who are not anxious to impoverish their soil by raising grain will do well to cultivate larger cow crops, saving the expense of hauling their products to market. As the skimmers do not take away the milk the farmers can make money feeding it to young stock, pigs, etc. Those who have tried the experiment this season are making preparations to increase the size of their dairies.

From W. H. Becker—He Leaves Iowa for Flowery Florida.

WOODBINE, IOWA, Nov. 23, 1884.

EDITORS PRESS:—

By the time this reaches you, I shall be on my way to Florida! Still, I maintain that this is the best country to make money by farming that I ever lived in. But the climate is certainly different from that of Michigan. These fierce winds throughout all seasons, even in midsummer, are characterized by a *rawness* that I have never observed at the east. I have done well here. I got $500 more than I paid for my place, and have concluded that climate has more charms than money. All accounts from fair Florida agree in favor of its delicious climate. Well, when I get down there, I will try to give you and your readers an unvarnished account of things in that region.

I have little to say of these parts at present. People complain of money tightness, but I suppose that is not a peculiar complaint at this time. In politics we didn't do quite so well as was expected. The republicans in this state, I think, are peculiarly rabid, and it is perfectly amusing to see the long faces, and surly manners of the politicians, postmasters and officeholders when I go to the villages. They seem as unwilling to concede that the democrats could gain a victory as Blaine is. But when you find democrats here, they are good ones. They tell of a business man in Logan who "didn't want a blanked democrat to ever enter his grocery," and then a report that he denied it or explained it. And right on the heels of that, as the news came in of Cleveland's certain election, that he had a fit.

Our congressman from this district, Pusey, did not get re-elected. Too bad. But I see you have elected Tim Tarsney. Curious turns politics sometimes take. That newspapers are important factors in shaping political movements has been well illustrated here in Iowa. I presume there are a good many in the State—I have seen nearly all the papers of this county and all the counties surrounding it, but I declare I haven't seen a democratic Iowa paper yet. There is one, I believe, in the southwestern part of the county, however.

Yours truly, H. W. BECKER.

At a regular conclave of Corunna Commandary No. 21, K. T., held at their Asylum in Corunna, Thursday evening, Nov. 13, 1884, the following resolutions relative to the death of Sir Knight William H. Niver, Jr., were adopted:

WHEREAS, Our beloved associate and companion in arms, Sir Knight William H. Niver Jr., has been removed by death from his sphere of activity here on earth and from his happy associations with his fraters in this commandery,

Resolved, That we recall with grateful satisfaction his hearty co-operation in the fraternal aims and all the Knightly duties which our order was founded to cherish and promote.

Resolved, That while we deeply sympathize with his bereaved family, and offer them our sincere sympathy and condolence, we rejoice with them in the memory of his noble character, as manifested by his devotion as a husband and father, his firmness in friendship, his integrity in business, and his faithfulness as a citizen.

Resolved, That while we mourn an honored and beloved associate, a generous frater, and a courteous Sir Knight, we will cherish the memory of his many virtues, his just and liberal spirit and his kind and gentle life.

Resolved, That in token of our respect to the memory of our deceased frater, our Asylum be draped for thirty days with the emblems of mourning.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be transmitted to the family of the deceased, and be published in the Chesaning and the Shiawassee county papers.

Fraternally, Sir Knights,

J. M. MCGRATH.
A. T. NICHOLS,
N. MACBAIN.

The departure of Irving is wrapped in Miss Terry.—Life.

CONGRATULATORY ADDRESS.

DEMOCRATIC CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE ROOMS, EAST SAGINAW, Mich., Nov. 26, 1884.

To the Union Voters of the Eighth Congressional District:—

The canvass of this district has been officially declared. Mr. Tarsney has a plurality of 1,622.

For this result I desire to congratulate you and extend the thanks of the Committee for your well-directed efforts during the campaign. The victory is such that all participants can feel therein a common pride. The old adage that "in union there is strength," is fully exemplified.

Our opponents, flushed with former victories, in the early stages of the canvass ridiculed the combination, and later attempted to break its force by purchasing the direct or indirect support of certain parties. But Democrats, Greenbackers and laboring men, with rare exception, scorned their approaches and to-day rejoice in a common victory.

Allow me to say that Mr. Tarsney or your Committee in no instance assailed the private character of any one, but that the canvass was made solely upon the public record of the candidates, and the principles of the contending parties. Neither did they attempt to mislead the people by gummed or fraudulent tickets. Your success was decisive and clean. Over the result so achieved you have ample cause for self-congratulation and public rejoicing.

During the canvass Mr. Tarsney everywhere assailed certain governmental abuses, and pledged the people that, if elected, he would labor for their correction. If he proves faithful, stand by him. Should he fail to represent your interests to the extent of his opportunity, the authority delegated will soon revert, and in your hands will rest the power to apply the remedy.

The combination, now crowned with success, should not dissolve with this campaign. We have a common interest in good government, a unity of desire for the reform of evils that have fastened themselves upon the administration of our public affairs. Let us henceforth act in unison for the advancement of one, and the correction of the other.

I desire to acknowledge the eminent service of many Independent Republicans and to express the earnest wish that their convictions of duty may for the future lead them to a complete co-operation with us.

Confident that the interests of the people will be advanced by the general result of the late election, I again thank you, one and all, for your intelligent, active and hearty support.

GEO. H. HOUSE, Chairman.

Centenary Celebration.

As the Christmas Conference which organized the Methodist Episcopal Church convened December 24, 1784, and continued in session to January 2, 1785, it is proposed that the centennial celebration shall cover the same space of time As we celebrate a great spiritual epoch, it is but proper that all our exercises should be of a highly spiritual character.

It is therefore recommended that at least one religious service be held in our churches every day, from December 24th, 1884, to January 2, 1885.

The General Conference of 1880, in providing for the celebration of this Centennial, recommends "that all our preachers and people be careful to make the year 1884 one of special consecration to the service of God, and that, as far as possible, constant and prayerful effort may be put forth by all to secure the universal renewal of pure and undefiled religion, to the end that Scriptural holiness may be spread over all lands."

The Bishops in their circular address, issued soon after, exhort us "to humble ourselves before God, and fervently plead for that precious baptism of the Holy Spirit without which nothing good or great can be accomplished."

These sentiments were reiterated by the General Conference of 1884, which recommends that in accordance with the advice of the Bishops, "religious services be the chief feature of this celebration."

In obedience to these recommendations the Asbury Century Association suggests the following

PROGRAMME OF THEMES AND EXERCISES FOR CENTENARY WEEK.

Wednesday, December 24—Theme: Personal consecration.

Thursday, December 25—Theme: Praying the Lord of the harvest to send forth laborers.

Friday, December 26—Theme: The prayer of faith.

This day should be observed as a day of fasting and prayer for God's blessing on the church.

Saturday, December 27—Theme: Prayer for God's blessing on the services of the Sabbath.

Sunday, December 28—At 9 a. m., Love feast. At 10:30 a. m., Centenary sermon. Theme: Christian education, the leading work of our second century, or gratitude for what God has done for us and for the world during the past hundred years through the M. E. Church.

After the sermon, let the centenary offerings be received from the church and congregation.

Where pledges have already been made let the roll be called, and the offerings already pledged be presented first, and then let the voluntary offerings of the people be added.

At 3 or 7 p. m., Sunday school celebration.

Monday, December 29—Theme: The Spirit baptism.

Tuesday, December 30—Theme: Christian activity.

Wednesday, December 31—Watch night. Theme: The Christian's responsibility for the salvation of souls.

Thursday, January 1—Theme: Christian unity.

Friday, January 2—Theme: Conquest of the world in the name of Christ.

STRANGER THAN FICTION.

After More Than Sixty Years Separation a Family of Five Children are Brought Together.

From the Clinton (St. Johns) Independent.

Life is made up of stirring incidents, though very few reach the public print. Families are separated for years, a careless feeling growing, imperceptible at first, until all affection for each other is seemingly lost. The case recited below would come under that head. Three members of the family were in communication with each other, but the other two, for some reason, did not seek out the rest until sixty years after the separation. But one of the brothers "came to himself," and determined to find out what had become of his brothers and sisters. We have prevailed upon John Woodworth, of Ovid, to give our readers a sketch, which we publish below in his own language.

OVID, MICH., Nov. 25, 1884.

ED. INDEPENDENT:—It is to keep my promise to you, and not to merit any personal notoriety for myself or family, that I attempt to give you a brief outline of our history. More than sixty years ago there lived near Albany, N. Y., Robert and Elizabeth Woodworth, with five small children named and aged as follows: Catherine, about 13; William, now of Ovid, about 11; Margaret, who died lately in California, about 9; John, now of Ovid, about 7, and Absalom, aged about 4. About this time the parents died leaving the children in the hands of strangers. The boys were bound out by the authorities. The two girls were cared for by friends, and at proper age were apprenticed to dressmaking. Margaret soon got to the head of an establishment on Broadway, New York, where she carried on the business successfully for many years. In 1845 she married James Williamson, a young Scotchman who was dealing in Scotch pig-iron and other metals. Both were successful. Mr. W. established the firm of James Williamson & Co., at No. 63 Wall St., N. Y., where it still remains, although he has been dead since '72. Previous to his death they had traveled extensively, having visited Europe twice. At his death Mrs. W. came into possession of his fortune, which added to her own made her wealthy. During all these years nothing was known of the boys, William and Absalom having left their places or moved away. They were of course supposed to be dead. In the meantime the two girls and John, who had moved to near Richmond, Va., kept up correspondence and visited each other, often making efforts to find the missing ones, but finally settling down to the conviction that they were really dead, when, in August, 1881, a stranger appeared in Richmond, enquiring for John Woodworth. After some time and trouble he was found and accosted by the stranger like this: "Your name is Woodworth?" "Yes." "Well, I am going home with you." "You are?" "Yes; I know you, but you don't know me. I am your brother William." After a few minutes talk both parties were satisfied. He stayed with me two or three days and then left for home. He knew nothing of the other missing brother. Soon after a reporter of the Richmond Dispatch said to me, "The Dispatch folks are looking for you. They want that item about your brother's visit." I gave him a short account of our history, and he remarked, "If the other brother is alive this thing will find him." The article was copied in the St. Louis Globe Democrat, as well as other papers all over the land. I soon received a letter from a man in St. Louis, saying his name was Absalom Woodworth, was born in or near Albany, N. Y., that he was about 60 years old, and he believed he was the other lost brother. He was so very young at the separation that he could remember no circumstance by which I could recognize him but one, which afterward convinced me that he was indeed the man.

As soon as sister Margaret, then living in California, could bring things about she arranged for the three brothers to meet in Ovid, which meeting took place Aug. 19, 1881. During that year I sold my farm in Virginia and removed to Ovid. The same year the oldest sister, Catherine, came to Michigan to spend the remainder of her days with her brother. Absalom also came to Michigan the same year and bought a farm. In the latter part of June, 1882, sister Margaret came on from California and we all met on the 4th of July at a reunion dinner, so that after a separation of over 60 years we were all permitted to see each other in the flesh. Our combined ages amounted to 350 years.

On the 4th of February following sister Catherine died. Sister Margaret left Michigan Aug. 1 to visit friends in the east before returning to California. On arriving at Troy, N. Y., she discovered a weakness in one of her feet, which increased in spite of doctors and medicine, and soon proved itself to be a kind of paralysis from which she could never recover. She hastened back to California, arriving there on Dec. 1, 1882 She lingered until the 25th of September, 1883, when she died in all the triumphs of christian faith. Thus in less than two years both sisters had died. The remains of sister Margaret were forwarded to N. Y., and were buried by the side of her dear husband in Greenwood cemetery. She left a will by which she gave each of her brothers $7,000, and each of all their children $2,000, besides giving large sums to various charitable and religious institutions, liberal gifts to all of Mr. Williamson's friends in Scotland, and finally the residue of about $20,000 to Williamson hospital, in Shanghai, China, an institution she founded, without the knowledge of one of her relatives. The executors of her will were Messrs. Samuel A. S. Wilks and Robert Robertson, remaining partners of the old firm of James Williamson & Co. Mr. Wilks came to Ovid on the 20th of the present month and paid off all the adults, the minors not to receive theirs until 21 years of age.

A New Yorker claims to have seen a sea serpent with a head as big as a barrel in Niagara river.

The Man Who Had Not Shaved Since 1860.

Philadelphia Times.

A tall, broad-shouldered man, of apparently fifty-five years, walked into Binder's Seventh street barber shop Nov. 8, and seated himself in a chair. A heavy black beard covered his face and his shirt front and was finally lost to sight within the spacious recesses of his waistcoat.

"Hair cut, sir?" said the barber, as he began to tuck a towel around the collar of his customer, preliminary to picking up his shears. The old man, who had been busy with his beard during this interval, now exposed it to the astonished gaze of the shop. It reached fully three inches below his knees when it was uncoiled. He replied: "No, but—" here he glanced around the shop with a triumphant smile, "I want this beard taken off clean." Apparently seeing that some explanation would be welcome to the astonished gathering of barbers and customers, the old man said in tones that showed the emotion stirring within him.

"For twenty-four years no razor has touched my face. This beard is the result. It was in 1860. I was as spruce a young chap as ever kicked up his heels at a Lancaster county wedding, and everybody knew young Joe Barston in those parts. They called me 'young Joe,' to make a difference between the old man and me. The old man was a Bourbon Democrat to the backbone, and I was with him till the split in the 1860 Convention, when the southerners put up John C. Breckenridge, and we—the north—nominated Stephen A. Douglass. The old man went in for Breckenridge. I felt strong on the subject, and worked for Douglas day and night. I used to be very smart in my appearance in those days, but I worked so hard I had no time for prinking up.

"One night I made a speech at a meeting in the old Turnpike tavern. I had a week's growth of stubble on my face, and before I had spoken a dozen words some lout sung out, 'go get a shave.' Everybody laughed as they looked at me. 'Get a shave?' says I; 'no razor touches my face until I see a Democratic President in the White House.'

"I have kept my word. Take it off and roll it carefully up in a piece of paper, barber, for I am going to send President Cleveland a chain made out of it.

A Great Discovery.

Mr. Wm. Thomas, of Newton, Ia., says: "My wife has been seriously affected with a cough for twenty-five years, and this spring more severely than ever before. She had used many remedies without relief, and being urged to try Dr. King's New Discovery, did so, with most gratifying results. The first bottle relieved her very much, and the second bottle has absolutely cured her. She has not had so good health for thirty years." Trial Bottles Free at Osborn Bro's Drug Store. Large size $1.00. Sold by all druggists. ks

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Farm for Sale.

The subscriber offers for sale his farm one mile south and ¾ mile east of Bennington Station, on section 16, in the township of Bennington, comprising *110* acres, on which there is *50* acres of improvements—a house and barn, windmill on pump, two orchards, one young, peach and apple; and *17* acres of wheat on the ground. For terms, etc., call on or address J. F. RATHBUN, Bennington Station.

Bennington, May 28, 1884. 39tf

FOR SALE—Farm of 56 acres, in Bennington, one mile north of the Gale school house about thirty acres under cultivation, comfortable house, flowing well, good neighborhood. Motive for selling ill health. For terms call at the place, THE PRESS office, or address me at Owosso, Mich. xxiii34tf JAMES F. PHILLIPS.

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WEDDING ETIQUET.

Duties of the Contracting Parties and Preparations for the Ceremony.

The etiquet of weddings is remotely founded on the early savage history of mankind and which bears fruit in our later and more complex civilization, still reminding us of the past. In early and in savage days the man sought his bride heroically and carried her off by force. It is still a theory that the bride is thus carried off. Thus the long-cherished theory bears fruit in the English ceremonial, where the only carriage furnished by the groom is one in which he drives the bride away to the spending of the honeymoon. Up to that time he has had no rights of proprietorship. Even this is not allowed in America among fashionable people, the bride's father sending them in his own carriage on the first stage of their journey. It is not etiquet for the groom to furnish anything for his own wedding but the ring and a bouquet for the bride, presents for the bridesmaids and the best man, and some token to the ushers. He pays the clergyman.

He should not pay for the cards, the carriages, and entertainments, or anything connected with the wedding. This is decided in the high court of etiquet. This is the province of the family of the bride, and should be insisted upon.

At the altar the groom, if he is a millionaire, makes his wife his equal by saying: "With all my worldly goods I thee endow;" but until he has uttered these words she has no claim on his purse for clothes or cards, or household furnishing, or anything but those articles that come under the head of such gifts as it is a lover's privilege to make.

A very precise old-time aristocrat of New York broke her daughter's engagement to a gentleman because he brought her a dress from Paris. She said if he did not know enough not to give her daughter clothes while she was under her roof he should not have her.

This is a remark which applies at once to that liberty permitted to engaged couples in rural neighborhoods, where the young girl is allowed to go on a journey at her lover's expense. A girl's natural protectors should know better than to allow this. They know that her purity is her chief attraction to man, and that a certain coyness and virginal freshness are the dowry she should bring her future husband. Suppose that this engagement is broken off? How will she be accepted by another lover after having enjoyed the hospitality of the first? Would it not make a disagreeable feeling between the two men, although No. 2 might have perfect respect for the girl?

It is the privilege of the bride to name the wedding-day, and of her father and mother to pay for her trousseau. After the wedding invitations are issued she does not appear in public.

The members of the bride's family go to the church before the bride. The bridegroom and his best man await them at the altar.

The bride comes last, with her father or brother, who is to give her away. She is joined at the altar step by her fiance, who takes her hand, and then she becomes his for life.

All these trifles mean much, as any one can learn who goes through the painful details of a divorce suit.

Now, when the circle of friends on both sides is very extensive, it has of late become customary to send invitations to some who are not called to the wedding breakfast, to attend the ceremony at the church. This sometimes takes the place of issuing cards. No one thinks of calling on the newly-married who has not received either an invitation to the ceremony at the church or cards after their establishment in their new home.

In most cases the after-cards are ordered with the other cards, and the bride's mother pays for them. But if they are ordered after the marriage the groom may pay for these as he would pay for his wife's ordinary expenses. Still it is stricter etiquet that even these should be paid for by the bride's family.

People who are asked to the wedding send cards to the house if they cannot attend, and, in any case, send or leave cards within ten days after, unless they are in very deep mourning, when a dispensation is granted them.

The etiquet of a wedding at home does not differ at all from the etiquet of a wedding in church with regard to cards. A great confusion seems to exist in the minds of some as to whom they shall send their return cards on being invited to a wedding. Some ask: "Shall I send them to the bride, as I do not know her mother?" Certainly not; send them to whomsoever invites you. Afterward call on the bride or send her cards; but the first and important card goes to the lady who gives the wedding.

The order of the religious part of the ceremony is fixed by the church in which it occurs. The groom must call on the clergyman, see the organist, and make whatever arrangements the bride pleases; but all expenses, excepting the fee of the clergyman, are borne by the bride's family.

A wedding invitation requires no answer, unless it be to a sit-down wedding breakfast. Cards left afterward are all-sufficient. The separate cards of the bride and groom are no longer included in the invitation. Nothing black in the way of dress but the gentlemen's coats is admissible at a wedding.

Major Wyly, of Jacksonville, Fla., owns a cherry tree from which constantly drips a fine mist, very much resembling rain. Any one standing under it and holding out his hand can feel the water; yet when the leaves and branches of the tree are examined they are perfectly dry. No one has been able to solve the mystery.

A fire record—the coal bill.

FACTS ABOUT OWLS.

A Poet's Feast—A Queer Cure for Drunkenness.

As I was seated on the piazza of our hotel one evening watching the moon as it came up out of the sea, an owl glided by, and only for a moment was seen as he passed a window through which the light was streaming, intent, no doubt, upon its mission, and apparently undisturbed by the music, the hum of voices, and the red and green lights that flashed up from the lawns on Ocean avenue. Owls may often sail around the pier hotels at night, for aught I know, but it is not often they are seen. Back in the woods they make their home, and there their hooting is as familiar a sound as the croaking of the frogs. The farmer has no better friend than the owl, and he who kills one does himself and the public an injury. White, of Selborne, after taming a pair of owls, was convinced that they brought a mouse to the nest, on an average, every five minutes from sunset to daylight.

Owls were never an epicurean feast, but there was formerly an eccentric genius in Newport, Benjamin Baldwin, who ate them, and, for that matter, anything that had once had the breath of life. Southey once had an owl roasted for dinner for himself and Mr. and Mrs. Wordsworth. I give the sequel in his own words:

"We agreed there could be no pretext for making owls game and killing them as delicacies; but if ever you eat one, by all means try it boiled with onion sauce."

An omelet made of owls eggs is said to be a cure for drunkenness. Owls are sometimes stuffed—not for the table, but to draw crows within the range of the sportsman's gun. No love is lost between the crow and the owl, and when the latter is seen perched upon a limb the former goes for him with the celerity and disregard of all those precautionary measures that usually mark the movements of a crow. So eager is he to reach the object of his aversion that he does not see the gunner until it is too late to beat a safe retreat. The Italians use an owl to catch small birds, only in their case the owl is tied to a perch in the open ground in broad sunlight, and the birds that gyrate around him alight upon twigs smeared with bird lime. In this way they become an easy prey. An owl's sight, clear enough and sharp enough at night, is none of the best by daylight, and his foraging is done after dark, but a story is told of a colored fisherman somewhere in North Carolina who, having set his fish-lines, returned after a brief interval, to find that a duck had taken the bait, and that an owl which had attempted to capture the duck had become so entangled in the line that it could not escape. Nor is this the only instance I have heard of where an owl meddled with a line to its own destruction. At one time the workmen on the Washington monument were a good deal annoyed to find that a plumb line that reached from the top to the bottom of the shaft was frequently meddled with. At last it was found that an owl had taken up its abode in a part of the shaft that afforded it shelter, and in passing in and out it had disturbed the line.—*Providence Journal.*

Flies and Swallows.

The moral feelings of animals being interesting as their intelligence, perhaps the readers of *Nature* would care to hear of a curious instance that I just now witnessed of fellow-feeling in the common house-fly. A number of them had collected in the top of a window, and I was about to open it to let them out, when I saw a wasp seize one as I have seen many seized this year, but never before, though I have often seen them feed greedily on maimed bees. The wasp was about to sever the head from the body of his victim, when a fly—by no means a large one—flung itself violently against the captured one, trying apparently to knock it away from the wasp; it did not attack the wasp.

This was done again and again, whether by the same fly or another I could not tell, the action was so rapid; at last the body of the fly was knocked away, but the wasp retained the head and devoured it. It then grasped another, and again a fly dashed at it, and another, and another, though they were all evidently afraid of the wasp, and no wonder; it seemed very fierce and hungry. The action of the flies was quite unmistakable. I called another person to watch it with me, and she was as much surprised as I was, and inclined to kill the wasp; but I thought we could spare a few flies, notwithstanding this unexpected discovery of fine feeling in them, and I would not let her disturb the balance of nature.

I was once a delightful witness of a still more curious instance of fellow-feeling in some young swallows. Six of them were sitting on a low roof, and were being fed by the old bird, who flew by from time to time, and put something into one or two of the open beaks. Each time, as soon as they saw the parent coming, which was some time before I did, they all stood up, whirring their wings and chattering; all, that is, except the last but one, and that seemed to be weak and unable to rise, and so got nothing. At last the two that flanked it, after a great deal of chattering over it, managed to raise it up by putting their beaks under its little white bosom; and then and there the dear little brotherly things wedged it up between them with the prettiest air of compassion and patronage, so that it had a fair chance with the others. And it seemed quite a chance which was fed, yet all sat down apparently contented and good-humored afterward. It was a pretty sight, and I was grieved when, some boys coming by, they took to flight.

Mr. Petrie, the archæologist, has returned to England laden with rich spoils of his Egyptian investigations. Among the treasures are a hut of the time of Nero, embroideries of the Ptolemaic period, and fine gilded slab of the time of Nectabanus.

GLEANINGS.

Sixty persons have died in Vermont during the past three years who were reputed to be over 100 years old.

Sunday theatricals are tolerated by law in five of the principal cities of the United States. They are San Francisco, Cincinnati, St. Louis, New Orleans and Chicago.

Workers in bleacheries where chlorine is largely used are singularly exempt from all germ diseases, but suffer from special ailments induced by inhaling the gas.

The looms used in the State of New Jersey for the manufacture of home-made silk are almost fac-similes of those employed in China and India for the same purpose.

The Boston *Commonwealth* says that there are now a larger number of young persons from all parts of the country studying music in that city than has ever been known before.

English papers are wanting to know, you know, who is responsible for the waste of $2,500,000 on the war ship Thunder, which has turned out nearly worthless and clumsy.

Professor Mach, a scientific investigator of Prague, is reported to have carried the art of instantaneous photography to the point of securing photographs of a bullet in its flight.

Roswell Smith, editor of the *Century*, says he doesn't know who wrote "The Bread-winners." The man paid for it says he didn't write it. The *Atlantic* had first chance at the story and rejected it.

The clam is gradually propagating himself all along the California shore. It is only ten years since this shell-fish became common on the shores of San Francisco Bay, and now it is heard of as far down the coast of Santa Barbara.

As an illustration of the numerous difficulties attending the making of large lenses it is stated there have thus far been nineteen failures to cast the thirty-six-inch glass for the great Lick telescope to be mounted in California.

What is said to be the largest stock ranch in the world is located at the head of the Red River in Texas, and is owned by Charles Goodnight. It comprises 700,000 acres, and has 256 miles of fence, which incloses 40,000 head of cattle.

A Brooklyn brewer makes a "temperance beer" which is "unintoxicating," but cannot be distinguished from ordinary lager in color, taste, body, bead, or smell. It is largely sold in towns where no licenses are granted by Excise Commissioners.

The highest price ever paid for a work of art, previous to the recent purchase of the Blenheim "Madonna," by Raphael, which sold for $350,000, was $126,000, which was given in 1852 for a picture of the Virgin, from the hand of the great Spanish artist, Murillo.

A wonderful chasm has recently been discovered in San Luis, Obispo County, California. An adventurous explorer was lowered into it to the depth of 4,000 feet without finding any bottom. The sides of the chasm are covered with magnificent cream-colored stalactites.

Richard Hoodum, a poor man who resides in Westmoreland County, on the line of the Pennsylvania Railroad, found a package of money three years ago. He advertised it, but it was never called for, and a few days since he opened and appropriated it. The amount is said to be about $25,000.

In the rotunda at Raleigh, N. C., is located a stone called Center Rock, upon which, if a man squarely stands, his words, become inarticulate to those about him. This is upon the authority of the Raleigh *News*, which adds that several gentlemen, in experimenting recently with this peculiar stone, all experienced its curious effect.

Natural gas has no odor, and that peculiar quality makes it dangerous for household use. In Pittsburg it is proposed to use double sets of pipes for safety—one pipe within another. Westinghouse, who got rich out of the automatic brake, is working on a burner designed to make the natural gas useful as an illuminant as well as a fuel.

Mr. Morrison tells this incident in the late Mark Pattison's life: "On one occasion, when I was speaking of the mistakes we are apt to commit in estimating our importance in the world, he answered with his characteristic emphasis, 'Yes! Take your worst opinion of yourself when you are in most depressed mood. Extract the cube root of that, and you will be getting near the common opinion of your merits.'"

Mr. Hamerton says of Emerson in his forthcoming volume: "To me he taught two great lessons. The first was to rely confidently in that order of the universe which makes it really worth while to do our best, even though the reward may not be visible; and the second was to have self-reliance enough to trust our own convictions and our own gifts, such as they are, or such as they may become, without echoing the opinions or desiring the more brilliant gifts of others."

The sad refrain of "The Song of the Shirt" is still echoed to-day with all the dreary sadness that it had in the days of Hood. A working girl in this city was recently paid 15 cents for making one dozen undershirts at a cost of four hours' labor. At that rate, the simple arithmetic of poverty and pain shows a grand total of 37½ cents for ten hours' work. The fields for missionary and philanthropic labor in this city are ample for those whose impulses and convictions prompt them to put their time and money where they can do the most good.—*New York Commercial Advertiser.*

Queen Victoria's house hold numbers just under 1,000 people, whose aggregate salaries foot up £385,000.

About 10,000 Jewish immigrants land at our ports yearly, and they have been coming at that rate for ten years.

SENSIBLE LOUISIANA NEGROES.

THE COLORED EX GOV. PINCHBACK BELIEVES CLEVELAND'S ELECTION WILL BENEFIT HIS RACE

NEW ORLEANS, Nov. 29.—A thorough investigation of the rumors that the negroes of Louisiana were alarmed at the prospect of being remitted to slavery under a Democratic Administration proves the story to be utterly without foundation. Interviews with the leading representative negroes show an entirly different feeling among them. Ex-Gov. P. B. S. Pinchback, the most prominent colored man in the State, and now Surveyor of the Port, when interviewed, said:

"I do not believe that the election of Mr. Cleveland and the fact that the Democratic party has again come into power will prove injurious to the welfare of the colored people of the South. All the talk to the contrary emanates from the people who are trying to create bitter feeling between the two races in order to manufacture political capital. The condition of the colored people cannot be changed or affected in the least degree by a mere change of Administration. I voted for Mr. Blaine, and there is no doubt that my personal interest and the interest of many of my friends and acquaintances would have been best subserved by his election. Nevertheless, in my opinion the success of Gov. Cleveland will do more to destroy race prejudice than ten thousand Civil Rights bills. I think the election of Mr. Cleveland will result finally in a political revolution in the South, which will completely destroy the color line. New parties will be formed, composed of both races, in which each member will be equal, before the law. Of course this order of things will not be brought about immediately after Gov. Cleveland's inauguration, but it will come."

Pontiac Bill Poster:

In 1880 Gen. Garfield carried this state by 53,000 plurality, and this year Blaine's plurality is a beggerly 3,600. But for the fact that employes in the upper peninsula were led up to the polls and compelled to vote the Republican ticket, Michigan would have been lost to the "Plumed Knight."

The Pittsburg Times gives a list of twenty-two boys drowned in the river at that city since July 1.

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If you are suffering with low and depressed spirits, loss of appetite, general debility, disordered blood, weak constitution, headache, or any disease of a bilious nature, by all means procure a bottle of Electric Bitters. You will be surprised to see the rapid improvement that will follow; you will be inspired with new life; strength and activity will return; pain and misery will cease, and henceforth you will rejoice in the praise of Electric Bitters. Sold at 50 cents a bottle by Osborn Bro's. ks

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"I suffered from paralysis of the bowels and liver complaint. I finally used DR. DAVID KENNEDY'S FAVORITE REMEDY, and in my opinion it saved my life. Yours, etc., "A. J. GIFFORD."

Mr. Gifford is the Master Mechanic of the Lowell division of the Boston & Lowell Railroad.

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Mr. A. Elsworth, of Port Ewen, N.Y., suffered for TWENTY-FIVE YEARS from a disease of the thigh bone, caused by impure blood. He finally applied to Dr. Kennedy, of Rondout, N. Y., who amputated the leg near the thigh joint. To

Purify the Blood,

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From the persistency with which disappointed Republican office holders and office seekers cry that the country is going to ruin through a Democratic administration, it looks as if they were determined to bring about the very ruin they predict, by destroying business confidence—that is if they can—before the Democratic administration is inaugurated.

The Detroit Evening News is responsible for the statement that even in Detroit there are negroes so ignorant as to believe that there is danger of their race being again plunged into slavery under a Democratic administration, and that they hold themselves in readiness to skip over to Canada! Let us say no more about the south holding their blacks in ignorance.

CONGRESS.

Congress reassembled on Monday. The opening session of the Senate was preceded by a lively hand-shaking between Senators and their friends. The desks of several senators bore bouquets, and Senator Gorman, of Maryland, was the recipient of two enormous roosters, also Senator Jones desk bore a rooster, and other desks were ornamented with horseshoes, stars, and other floral tributes.

In the House, many members were the recipients of floral designs; among them was a handsome ship of state, of which Mr. "Sunset" Cox, of New York, was the recipient. The members indulged in the usual greetings exchanging congratulations on re-election or condolences on defeat. The Republicans made good-natured replies to the Democrats' chaffing on the result of the presidential contest, and there was no bitterness on either side.

Promptly at noon both Houses were called to order and committees appointed by each to wait on the President and inform him that Congress was ready to receive any communication he might be pleased to make. At 11:40 the President's message was received and read. It is given with this issue in supplement form.

It appears to be the general opinion that the session, which has barely ten weeks working time, will be given up to the appropriation bills and unfinished business of the last session, leaving the tariff and other controversies of a party character to be turned over as legacies to the new Congress and new President.

The President's Message is well received generally, except that some protectionists think it smacks too much of free trade principles for their good. The Evening News thus sums up the chief recommendations of Mr. Arthur:

Reciprocal commercial treaties with American countries—a sort of zoll-verein including the whole hemisphere.

A continental monetary union embracing the same territory, and the stoppage of the coinage of bastard silver dollars.

The abolition of all internal taxes except those on distilled spirits.

Subsidies to American lines of ocean steamers.

The increase of national bank circulation to the full par value of deposited bonds.

The restoration of the navy and the immediate equipment of inadequate sea coast fortifications at the great ports.

The reduction of drop letter postage to one cent, and the further extension of the free delivery system.

A board of commissioners with absolute powers to govern Utah.

Another tariff commission to report further readjustment of the tariff, and further reductions, particularly on raw materials.

A pension fer Gen. Grant.

Some sort of general bankrupt law.

The amendment of the constitution so as to empower the president to veto particular appropriations.

Some legislation to determine questions of presidential inability.

Cleveland's Pluralities.

The claim that has been made in certain quarters that Blaine has a plurality of the popular vote cast in the country at the recent election, does not hold good in the face of the returns. The Chicago Herald has been at some pains in collecting the figures, and to that paper we are indebted for the following:

Blaine pluralties—California, 10,553; Colorado, 5,200; Illinois, 25,142; Iowa, 16,743; Kansas, 63,346; Maine, 20,260; Massachusetts, 27,776; Michigan, 4,430; Minnesota, 35,500; Nebraska, 17,500; Nevada, 1,664; New Hampshire, 4,000; Ohio, 31,802; Oregon, 2,100; Pennsylvania, 80,520; Rhode Island, 6,500; Vermont, 22,200; Wisconsin, 12,800—total, 390,035.

Cleveland pluralities—Alabama, 33,529; Arkansas, 22,121; Connecticut, 1,224; Delaware, 4,276; Florida, 5,104; Georgia, 42,000; Indiana, 7,400; Kentucky, 80,000; Louisiana, 17,872; Maryland, 10,886; Mississippi, 35,682; Missouri, 33,711; New Jersey, 4,112; New York, 1,107; North Carolina, 13,000; South Carolina, 38,000; Tennessee, 14,[illegible] 400; Texas, 105,000; Virginia, 9,000; West Virginia, 4,500—total, 452,524.

Cleveland's plurality, 62,489.

The official vote in some of the states may at least will not, it is believed materially change the foregoing.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

[CONTINUED]

Thursday, Oct. 16, 1884.

Thursday forenoon the report of the Committee on Settlement with the County Treasurer, was presented, was accepted and adopted, and will be printed in THE PRESS hereafter.

The report of the Superintendent of the Poor was taken from the table and amended, on motion of Supv. Crane, by deducting $500 from the amount recommended to be raised for temporary relief, then the report was adopted.

The Committee on Officers' Salaries reported, recommending the following as salaries of county officers for the ensuing two years:

County Clerk	$1,000 00
Prosecuting Attorney	1,000 00
County Treasurer	1,000 00

Accepted and adopted.

The following claims submitted by the Committee on Justices', Constables' and Coroners' claims and accounts, were allowed:

	Claimed	Allowed
A. S. Wiltse, witness	$ 60	$ 48
S. A. Yerkes, juror	85	75
Peter VanGorden, juror	85	75
G. C. Stiff, juror	85	75
Davis Dutcher, juror	85	75
John D. Walsh, juror	85	75
Wm. J. Miller, witness	85	85
Jud Van Dusen, witness, 7 charges 48 cents each	3 36	3 36
Oscar Wells, juror	1 00	1 00
Richard Thomas, witness	1 90	1 90
Adelbert Cole	1 85	1 85
Timothy Howard	2 28	2 28
Jas. L. Taylor	1 58	1 58
Jacob Marlett	2 28	2 28
B. F. Grout, justice of the peace	4 00	4 00
H. P. Dodge, justice of the peace	26 80	25 90
Randall Campbell, constable	24 65	22 73
George Rowell, justice of the peace	4 01	4 01
Edmond Curtis, justice of the peace	4 35	4 35
John D. Evans, constable	3 45	2 53
B. S. Retan, constable	9 80	7 40
W. D. Castle, juror	85	75
Joseph Amos, witness	1 95	1 95
Eubert M. Yeats, witness	1 95	1 95
Gilbert M. Jackson, juror	1 00	1 00
Wm. Currie, juror	1 00	1 00
Wm. G. Thomas, juror	1 00	1 00
P. M. Rowell, juror	50	50
C. C. Duff, juror	50	50
Gurdon L. Dimmick, juror	50	50
H. L. Lewis juror	50	50
Thos. Nelan, juror	1 00	1 00
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Dr. A. S. Wiltse, witness	53	53
Wm. Cheal, juror	50	50
George Carpenter, juror	50	50
James J. Stever, juror	50	50
Arthur Wright, witness	78	78
Reuben De Armond	78	78
Wm. Brewster	48	48
Andrew Brown, witness	85	85
Jabez Perkins, witness	85	85
A. M. Hume, witness	85	85

ELIHU W. MASON,
S. F. WARNER,
Committee.

Friday, October 17, 1884.

The Committee appointed to examine the certificates filed with the Clerk, of the amount of money to be raised in the townships, cities and wards of the county, recommended that the following amounts be spread upon the assessment rolls for the year 1884:

ANTRIM.

For contingent fund	$ 450 00
For highway and bridge fund	500 00
For drain fund	129 05
For school fund	2,592 95

BENNINGTON.

For contingent fund	$ 350 00
For highway fund	250 00
For drain fund	461 97
For drain fund from tp. of Owosso	69 69
For school fund	1,617 13

BURNS.

For contingent fund	$ 860 00
For highway fund	200 00
For school fund	1,315 00

CALEDONIA

Drain fund (local and at large)	$ 276 59
Special drain fund	10 00
For contingent fund	850 00
For interest on bond	60 00
For highway fund	300 00
For paying bridge bond	1,000 00
For cemetery fund	25 00
For school fund, to be apportioned	10,365 00

FAIRFIELD.

For contingent fund	$ 225 00
For cemetery fund	40 00
For drain fund	41 52
For special road and bridge fund	71 17
For school fund	835 00
For Shiawassee and Clinton Co., drain No. 1 fund	279 85

HAZLETON.

For contingent fund	$ 300 00
For library fund	50 00
For highway fund	415 00
For borrowed money	725 00
For school fund	3,267 75

MIDDLEBURY.

For contingent fund	$ 100 00
For highway and bridge fund	200 00
For highway fund	250 00
For school fund to be apportioned	4,033 00
For drain fund	140 00

NEW HAVEN.

For contingent fund	$ 500 00
For highway and bridge fund	500 00
For bridge bond fund	966 00
For school fund	1,622 77
For drain fund, (local and at large)	1,261 00

OWOSSO.

For contingent fund	$ 200 00
For highway fund	500 00
For school fund, to be apportioned	10,383 80
For ditch fund	179 00

PERRY.

For contingent fund	$ 400 00
For bridge fund	70 00
For highway fund	860 00
For drain fund	76 19
For school fund	3,606 23

RUSH.

For contingent fund	$ 500 00
For highway and bridge fund	1,534 28
For drain fund	430 73
For school fund	2,148 00

SCIOTA.

For contingent fund	$ 250 00
For highway fund	200 04
For drain fund	296 60
For school fund	4,148 00

SHIAWASSEE.

For contingent fund	$ 1,002 26
For drain fund	289 00
For highway fund	473 67
For school fund	8,474 90

VENICE.

For contingent fund	$ 375 00
For highway fund	225 00
For bridge fund	25 00
For drain fund	75 60
For school fund	1,315 50

VERNON.

For road and bridge fund	$ 550 00
For Webb Creek bridge fund	600 00
For drain fund	65 00
For school fund	2,294 63

WOODHULL.

For contingent fund	$ 150 00
For road and bridge fund	150 00
For school fund	881 08

CITY OF OWOSSO.

For contingent fund	$ 9,190 00
For school fund, to be apportioned	9,000 00

CITY OF CORUNNA.

For contingent fund	$ 6,000 00
For school fund, to be apportioned	5,000 00

A. B. CRANE,
L. H. WILCOX
S. F. SMITH,
Committee.

Accepted and laid upon the table until the following day, when it was adopted.

The Committee on Justices', Constables' and Coroners, Claims and Accounts presented another batch of claims which were allowed.

The Committee on Claims and Accounts submitted the following report which was accepted and adopted:

	Claimed.	Allowed.
H. B. Gates, commissioner	$	$ 12 00
L. H. Wilcox, on board of building committee		13 00
B. B. Leddick, dept. sheriff		7 00
Isaac Ellsworth, dept. sheriff		9 26
W. H. Cole, under sheriff	133 56	133 56
G. A. Parker, dept. sheriff	37 77	34 17
Isaac Ellsworth, dept. Sheriff	19 79	19 79

C. A. BALDWIN
CHAS. W. SHIPMAN,
H. S. MYERS,
Committee.

The account of The Times Printing Co., for $15 was presented, and disallowed by a vote of 15 to 3.

The Committee on Claims and Accounts presented the following, which were allowed as recommended: H. H. Cooley, for services on Shiawassee and Clinton drain No. 1, claimed $82.50, allowed $55.00. H. H. Cooley, for services on Shiawassee and Clinton drain No. 2, claimed $68.50, allowed $45.67.

The account of Frank Peacock for services in attending tax sales and making returns, amounting to $200, was presented, laid on the table, and finally allowed at $150.

The account of Geo. Wilcox of $502.54 for repairs on the Poor House was allowed.

The Committee on Abstracts reported that the Register of Deeds has kept the abstracts fully brought up to this date, and carefully compared. That the total amount of receipts for abstracts and searches of record, from January 1st, 1884, to September 30th, 1884, is $607.60. That the Register of Deeds has paid to the County Treasurer, for which he, the Register, holds the Treasurer's receipts the sum of $303.81, the same being one-half of the total receipts for the abstracts and searches during said period.

The report was accepted and adopted.

Another lot of Justices', and Constables' claims was presented to the Committee and allowed as recommended.

Saturday, October 18, 1884.

The account of Alma Kingsley, for $67 for expenses in recovering a stolen horse, was allowed.

A resolution offered by Supv. Goodell, was adopted, to appoint a Committee to investigate the forfeiture of the recognizance of Chas. C. Hadden, as principal, and Lewis Hadden, as surety for the appearance of Charles C. Hadden at the Circuit Court, and report at the January session of the Board. Supvs. Goodell, Morrice and Close were appointed such Committee.

[TO BE CONTINUED]

Real Estate Transfers.

[Reported Expressly for THE PRESS.]

BANCROFT.

James A. Thomas to Susannah Roberts, lots 5, 6 and 7, block 4, $1000.

CALEDONIA.

Ira Merell to Parker & Bowers, 1 acre sec 7, $150.

HAZELTON.

H. & L. L. Dawson to John B. Goward, 80 acres sec 6, $3400.

NEW HAVEN.

Priscella Peck to Thos. Dowling, 50 acres sec 18, $2500.

Mary Schantz to C. F. Kurrle, 80 acres sec 29, $50.

OWOSSO CITY.

Thos. Markham to M. Fauth, jr., lot 1, block 23, A L & B O Williams' add., $800.

M. Fauth jr to G. M. Fauth, part of out lot 2, J H Kelly's add., $1000.

N. E. Young to Chester W. Hopkins, n½ lot 5, and s½ lot 4, L A Gould's sub div blk 35, $500.

PERRY.

Sidney S. Green to Arthur Green, lot 15, block 3, $375.

SHIAWASSEE.

M. E. Robbins to W. R. Sutton, 60 acres sec 34, $1950.

VERNON.

July A. Baker to Louis P. Lab, 21 acres sec 2, $845.

LAINGSBURG.

Dyer Phelps to Sam'l Steers, lots 7 and 8, block 4, $750.

Abstract Fees for November, $87.10.

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Roller No. 2	4 00
Meal, Unbolted, ℔ 100 ℔	1 35
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Bran ℔ 100 ℔	80
Feed ℔ 100 ℔	1 10
Wheat No. 1	69a70
Clover Seed	5 50a6 00
Corn	55
Corn in ear	25
Oats	32
Potatoes, new	20a25
White Beans	90a1 00
Apples, Green ℔ bu	25a30
Onions	35a40
Butter	17a18
Butter, creamery	16a18
Cheese, dairy	11@14
Lard	8a9
Honey	14
Eggs, fresh	18
Beeswax	20a25
Tallow	5a6
Hay ℔ ton	8@10
Dressed Hogs	4 50a4 80
Hides green	6½
Hides dry	19a20
Wool	25

DETROIT.

LIVE STOCK—Cattle—Extrachoice, $1.75a4.50 Sheep, $2.00a2.20. Milch Cows, $35a65.

CHICAGO.

WHEAT—Higher; Nov., 73¾@73⅞c; Dec., 73⅝@73¾c; Jan., 74⅛@74⅜c.

CORN—Lower; Nov., 35¼@35½c; Year, 35¼@35½c; Jan., 34⅛@34⅜c.

OATS—Lower; November, 25@25c; Dec., 25@25¼c.

PROVISIONS—Mess Pork lower: Year, $10.67@10.67½; Jan., $10.87@10.87½; Feb., $10.97@10.97½. Lard—Steady; Nov., $6.80@6.80; Dec., $6.72½@6.72½; January, $6.75@6.75.

CATTLE Market steady. We quote: Choice to fancy steers $6.15@6.30; Good to choice steers 5.30@5.75; Medium to fair steers 4.00@5.10.

HOGS—Market firm. Sales ranged from $4.20@4.50 for heavy; $3.90@4.30 for light.

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Shopping Bags, Knit Goods, and an endless variety of BEAUTIFUL and USEFUL GOODS.

Also, on the same day, I shall commence my regular annual

Specialty Sale OF Dress Goods

To reduce stock. The sale to continue through the month, or until enough is sold. In this stock I will show some BLACK SILKS, genuine good goods, which will be sold at VERY LOW PRICES. These goods will be MARKED IN PLAIN FIGURES, and at prices which will ensure a sale.

JOHN S. HOYT,

Main Street, - - - Owosso.

ARE YOU GOOD AT GUESSING? IF SO,

Now is the time to get your **Christmas Presents.**

County Fair week we gave a special premium for the Hubbard Squash that was awarded the blue card. The time has come for us to make known "why we wanted the fruit."

We are going to give every person in Shiawassee county an opportunity to join the "lucky guessers." All are invited to participate, and to try and guess the number of seeds in the large squash.

If you want a handsome Hanging Lamp, **Guess.**
If you are in need of a Plated Card Receiver, **Guess.**
If you would like a pair of Vases, **Guess.**
If you care for the Squash, **Guess.**

GUESS TO-DAY. GUESS EVERY DAY.

The person guessing the exact number of seeds will be given the Hanging Lamp. If no person guesses the exact number of seeds, the person whose number is nearest to the exact one, will take the lamp. Second nearest number, Card Receiver. Third nearest number, Vases. Fourth nearest number, the Squash.

The "lucky guessers" will be given their presents Christmas day as soon as the seeds are counted.

COME ONE, COME ALL TO THE FAMOUS.

Buy an Album, *Guess.* Buy a Lamp, *Guess.* Buy at least 78 cents worth of goods, and *Guess.*

Keep Buying. Keep Guessing

Our Holiday stock is now complete, to which we invite your attention,

Kelsey & Grimes,

☞SIGN OF THE BLUE FRONT.

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OWOSSO CHAPTER No. 89, R. A. M.. Regular Convocation first Friday of each month.

OWOSSO LODGE No. 51, F. & A. M. Regular Communications on Wednesday evenings next before the full moon of each month.

OWOSSO LODGE No. 56, I. O. O. F. Once a week on Friday evenings.
GEORGE CHARLTON, N. C.
GEORGE M. DEWEY, Secretary.

ORIENTAL ENCAMPMENT, No. 59, I. O. of O. F., meet the first and third Wednesday evenings of each month, in their hall, north-east corner of Main and Washington streets, 3d story.
B. S. RETAN, C. P.

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EUGENE R. HUTCHINS, Attorney at Law. Office over First National Bank, Owosso.

S. F. SMITH, Attorney and Counsellor at Law. Office over McHardy's Store, corner Washington and Main streets, Owosso, Mich.

B. F. TAYLOR, Justice of the Peace and Attorney at Law. Office over the express office corner of Washington and Main streets. Collections made; conveyancing and other legal papers executed. All business entrusted to him will secure prompt attention.

ALBERT CHANDLER, Attorney at Law and Solicitor in Chancery. Office over post office, Corunna, Mich. xxi45tf

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Wednesday, December 3, 1884.

TRAVELERS' GUIDE.

DETROIT, GRAND HAVEN & MILWAUKEE RAILROAD.
TRAINS LEAVE OWOSSO AS FOLLOWS:
GOING EAST.
Detroit Express, 8 56 a. m. Mail, 1 45 p. m. Evening Express, 6 35 p. m. Atlantic Express, 1 50 a. m.
GOING WEST.
Mixed, 6 00 a. m. Morning Express, 10 02 a. m. Mail, 1 45 p. m. Grand Rapids Express, 7 35 p. m. Night Express, 1 50 a. m. Mixed arrives at 7 10 p. m.
Wagner Sleepers on night trains. Parlor Day Car on Mail east and west.

MICHIGAN CENTRAL RAILROAD.
TRAINS LEAVE OWOSSO AS FOLLOWS:
GOING NORTH.
Mail, 9 53 a. m. Bay City and Mackinaw Express, 7 05 p. m.
GOING SOUTH.
Jackson Express, 8 30 a. m. Chicago Express, 7 05 p. m. Way Freight, 5 30 a. m.

OWOSSO POSTOFFICE.

Daily Mails arrive and close until further notice as follows:

EAST VIA D. G. H. & M. R. R.
Close—1:45 P M ..... Arrive—2:45 P M
Close—6 20 P M ..... Arrive—10 45 A M

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Close—1 45 P M ..... Arrive—2:45 P M
Close—9 50 A M ..... Arrive—7 40 P M

NORTH VIA J. L. & S. R. R.
Close—9 50 A M ..... Arrive—9:50 A M
Close—6 30 P M ..... Arrive—7 10 P M

SOUTH.
Close—8:20 A M ..... Arrive—10:45 A M
Close—6:30 P M ..... Arrive—7:40 P M

N. BALL, Postmaster.

WEATHER RECORD.

For the week ending Wednesday, Dec. 3, 1884

THURSDAY	20°
FRIDAY	26°
SATURDAY	20°
SUNDAY	18°
MONDAY	28°
TUESDAY	30°
WEDNESDAY MORNING	32°

CITY AND COUNTY

—Stanley Parkill spent Sunday at home in Owosso.

—Rev. L. B. Platt, and wife, of Flint, spent their Thanksgiving at the Tillotson home in Owosso.

—The skating rink will be open hereafter Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday evenings of each week.

—Mrs. Parker Rosecrance, of East Saginaw, has been in Owosso nearly a week, visiting friends.

—We notice Guile displays elegant silver ware in his windows. Christmas events "cast their shadow before."

—Those ear protectors at MacBain's must be wonderful, even if they perform half they lay claim to in the circulars.

—Read the programme of the K. T. Band, to be rendered at their concert, to be held next week Wednesday evening.

—Dr. L. E. Phelps and family, of Flint, spent Thanksgiving in Owosso, at Hon. A. L. Williams's, the paternal home of Mrs. Phelps.

—Mr. J. H. Thorne received a telegram Monday, announcing the death of the wife of his son James N. Thorne, at Syracuse, N. Y.

—Will Gould, Fred Todd, Kirk White, Jesse Shattuck, Owosso boys, returned to the University Monday, after the Thanksgiving vacation.

—Note J. S. Hoyt's advertisement of Holiday specialties in dry goods, and annual specialty sale in dress goods to commence next Monday.

—Hon. A. L. Williams is confined to his house, and to his bed a great portion of the time, with a distressing neuralgic affection of his left arm and hand.

—Harry Osburn is now in the railway mail service. His route is from Cleveland, O., to Syracuse, N. Y., covering one week. Every alternate week he is off.

—Our Pinafore Company had a jammed house at Bancroft last night, a splendid time, and everybody was delighted. The Bancroftites want them to come again.

—Mrs. C. J. Wimple (formerly Miss Nell Dewey) has come from Tucson, Arizona, to visit her old Bennington home. We are pleased to state that Hon. John W. Dewey is improving in health.

—Mr. T. J. Horsman, of the Owosso Marble Works, can supply anything in the line of cemetery work the county of Shiawassee can need. His work is fine and he will fill all orders however large. See his card in this paper.

—Harry Andrus, who is attending school in Lansing came home Thanksgiving, bringing two young friends with him. His parents made a Thanksgiving dinner party, inviting Harry's Owosso associates, boys and girls.

—Duff & Banister, in their new advertisement, give the PRESS readers a practical treatise on the success of their improved method of doing business, and also present a "specialty column" on which they want everybody to "keep an eye." You will find the advertisement on the fourth page of this paper, Duff & Banister's old stand. Read it.

Advertised Letters.

Letters advertised at the Owosso P. O. for the week ending Nov. 29, 1884:

J. K. Parker, C. W. Rulison, C. R. Richardson, M. J. Reynolds, Schuyler Randall, H. F. Higby, Robert Ketchum, Miss Mattie Moss, John R. Munro, E. C. Greene, F. B. Galigher.

Drop—W. B. Worriner, J. P. Wildermuth, Mrs. Delia Ketchum, A. Reno, Susianna Johnston, Wm. Colwell, T. H. Bonson,

Persons calling for the above letters will please say they are advertised.

NATHANIEL BALL, P. M.

MIDNIGHT OUTRAGE.

The Nightwatch Hoodwinked, Bound and Gagged.

Our night watchman, A. K. Giles, had a very extraordinary adventure last night about one o'clock, while patrolling on Washington street. When in front of Ira Merell's house he was met by three men whom, as he saw them approaching, he took to be inoffensive townspeople, but they suddenly seized and threw him to the ground, gagged, bound and blindfolded him, and robbed him of his revolver and club, threatened his life if he made any outcry, and then led him across the street into Stewart's agricultural implement shed, behind the bank block, where one of the gang stood guard over him while the other two went away intimating a design to go through the bank. They, however, went to Gulle's jewelry store with evil intent, but discovering that they were seen by the young man who lodges in the store, they made no attempt, and nothing is known of their subsequent movements. The fellow standing guard over Giles, the watchman, soon after left him, and Giles went down to Woodard's planing mill and Mr. Reed, the watchman there, released him from the hoodwink, gag and cords that bound him. His face gives evidence of a struggle.

It does look as if a Vigilance Committee might find profitable employment.

NOTICE.—The annual election of officers for Owosso Chapter, No. 89, R. A. M., will take place Friday evening Dec. 5, inst. A full attendance by the Companions is requested.

B. F. TAYLOR, Secretary.
BY ORDER OF THE H. P.

PEW RENTING.—On Wednesday, Dec. 10th, the seats in the Congregational Church will be rented for the next year. The church will be opened and warmed during the afternoon, and the trustees earnestly request *all* who are interested to be present promptly and secure seats.

SPECIAL SERVICE.—There will be a special service at the Episcopal church next Sunday morning at 10:45—consisting of service of Holy Communion and short address, followed by a Congregational and Sunday School Choral service. Parents are requested to have their children at church by 11:45 a. m.

—The Wednesday Lectures at Oakside school are much enjoyed by the students. Rev. Mr. Donnelly's interesting and instructive "Talk About London" of a few weeks ago was followed the succeeding week by a very scholarly production presented by Rev. H. H. Acterian, of Bancroft, a recent graduate of Bangor Theological Seminary. This gentleman is a native of Turkey, and he passed his boyhood near the Marmora Sea.

County Agricultural Association.

The Executive Board of the Shiawassee County Agricultuual Association for the ensuing year met at the Council Room Dec. 1, and appointed the following Committees:

Finances—E. J. Cook, J. T. Cooper, C. Hibbard.

Business—T. Nelan, W. Sawer. W. S. Jones.

Premiums and Program—E. S. Burnett, W. Sawer, D. Murlin.

Rules and Regulations—A. Parmenter, L. C. Wilkinson, J. S. McBride.

Printing—A. Lee Williams, J. A. Hayt, D. Parker.

A special Committee to confer with Committee on Premiums and Program to revise and adjust Classes 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5, was appointed by the Chairman as follows: J. A. Hayt, E. P. Byerly, J. Perkins.

A. LEE WILLIAMS, Sec'y.

—It is enough to take your breath away to see the beautiful articles Loring has for the Holiday trade. His window, around which so many linger, gives only a light glimpse of the beauties within. Step in and examine. Loring loves to show his elegant goods. He invites all to call, if only to admire his fine goods. See his new advertisements.

Christian, jeweler at Loring's, informs us he has ordered a magnificent stock of jewelry, for which, look out.

—Rev. G. W. Wilson favors us with a copy of The Beacon, the new state organ of the Congregationalists of Michigan. It is a neat paper, comprising matters of interest to that denomination, and we should judge would be a valuable acquisition to every family of that denomination, and, as it is stated there are 13,500 Congregational families in the state, it ought to have a good support.

—A society of the Woman's Relief Corps, auxiliary to the G. A. R., will be organized in Owosso, at the G. A. R. Hall, on the afternoon of Dec. 5. An open session will be held in the evening at which there will be essays, music, etc. A cordial invitation is extended to the public.

SUDDEN DEATH.—Eve, wife of Rev. F Dietrich, of Owosso township, while walking to town Saturday morning, fell in the street near Mr. A. B. Chipman's residence. She was seen to fall by several persons who went immediately to her aid, but she lived only a short time Heart disease was the cause of death. Her age was 55 years. Funeral services took place at the M. E. church, in this city yesterday. Further obituary next week.

The Lecture Course.

On Tuesday evening, Dec. 16, Miss Nella F. Brown will open the Lecture Course for the season. She is said to be an exceptionally fine reader and elocutionist. The following is from the Red path Circular:

"There has never been a more brilliant success made by any reader than by Miss Brown during her short career. Wherever she has appeared either east or west she has captivated all who have listened to her and has had a recall to every place which she has visited."

The announcements for the full course were given in last week's PRESS, and we would advise those who do not take course tickets to preserve the announcement for reference. The list comprises excellent and popular talent in a pleasing variety, and our people may expect a rich intellectual treat this coming winter. The course ought to have the most liberal patronage. The course tickets are placed at $1.25; single tickets 35 cts.

Chesaning Argus:—

If "Pinafore" is so good as to cause so much comment by the papers of Owosso, why do they not come down to Chesaning and give us a taste of it. We have a good hall to accommodate them.

NEW BOOKS.—The following new books have recently been added to the Owosso Ladies' Library:

Holden, with Cords, by Jay.
Home Nook, by Douglass.
Lal, by Hammond.
Outposts, by Austin.
Dora Darling, Austin.
Mildred at Roselands, by Farquharson.
Mildred and Elsie, "
Mildred's Married Life, "

Shall We have Vigilance Committees?

[A Communication.]

Never in the history of this country have there been such wide-spread, defiant, successful exhibitions of lawlessness as now. It is only necessary to recall occurrences of the last 8 or 12 months to verify this statement. Almost every week some store or other place of business has been broken into and goods by the wagon load carried off; valuable safes blown to pieces, ruined, and their contents stolen; residences invaded sometimes in broad daylight, the occupants compelled to remain very quiet while looking into the chambers of revolvers, while the miscreants, after having bound and blinded them, proceeded leisurely to gobble up and carry off whatever might suit their fancy; peaceful citizens, suspected of having some money, have been waylaid, brutally beaten and robbed; horses, cattle, sheep, and even hogs stolen; and all this with the most absolute safety on the part of the perpetrators. Indeed, it has come to be regarded as the safest business venture one can engage in, having less risks than farming even, because the burglar's harvest is sure and abundant. This county has had its share of this general lawlessness and villainy.

The natural result of this condition of things is a universal feeling of unrest, of suspicion. We glance uneasily around corners, and peer anxiously into dark alleys, involuntarily hasten, if we hear footsteps approaching, barricade our dwelling, supply bolts and locks wherever they can be of service, and then wonder who will be the next victim.

Is there no remedy? Are we drifting hopelessly and helplessly into Italian brigandage? How long will it be before wealthy citizens will be kidnapped and held as hostages for the payment of vast sums of money? It certainly looks as though it might not be so very far off. One remedy suggests itself to me. Meet them upon their own ground. Money lies at the root of all this evil, and it must be met with money. How? It does not at all stand to reason, that the victim, the man who has seen, possibly, all his available means swept away in an hour, and perhaps himself bruised and bleeding, should spend time and more money, if he is so fortunate as to have any, in pursuit of the thief—even the lowest form of savage life would ask no such sacrifice. Neighborhood or even township associations are powerless for this purpose. Let this county, by means of a tax upon all the people, provide the most ample means—money sufficient to secure the services of the most skilled detectives. The fact is notorious that parties engaged in some of the more recent and daring burglaries, are at large to-day, enjoying in perfect safety their ill-gotten gains, simply and only because there was nothing with which to pay detectives for hunting them up and bringing them to justice.

One method remains—the old time California plan: the dreaded Vigilance Committee—a short shrift and a long cord. But unfortunately Judge Lynch's decisions are not always just. It sometimes happens that the fatal noose finds its way around the neck of the wrong man.

C. P. PARKILL.

What an unappreciative fellow that editor of the Vernon Inter-Lake is! Speaking of the new paper to be started in Corunna he says:

"But why didn't it make success certain by starting at Owosso? There's a splendid opening there, as there are only four papers in that large city and neither of them amounts to—everything."

Hold on, brother Hammond, if reports are true there is to be a fifth paper in Owosso!

At a regular Communication of Owosso

Lodge, No. 51, F. & A. M., Nov. 26th, ult., the following officers were elected for the ensuing year.

W. M.—Thomas Nelan.
S. W.—Frank H. Ewer
J. W.—Frank Nelan.
Treasurer—George R. Black.
Sec.—B. F Taylor.
S. D.—Herbert B. Hadley.
J. D.—Jacob S. Lewis.
Tyler—Edward P Gilbert
Stewards—D. A. Barnum, David Dwight
Organist—Charles H. Preece.
Prudential Committee—Jabez Perkins, Joseph Manning, David Parker.

Installation December 27.

An Elegant line of Plush Goods, can be seen at LORING'S, consisting in part of Toilet Cases, Hand Glasses, Jewel Cases, Work Boxes, Odor Cases, Writing Cases, Broom Holders, Ladies' Shopping Bags, Photograph and Autograph Albums, Picture Frames, Music Holders and Scrap Books. 14 16*

I am not going away nor selling out, but I must dispose of my immense stock of winter millinery before the holidays and am prepared to give great reductions in prices.
SARAH M. BELFORD.

If you want Boots, Shoes, Rubbers, or foot gear of any description, for the cold weather, call at B. H. STRAHLE'S store, Washington street, Owosso. 13

Wishing to close out my line of HEAVY WINTER GLOVES and MITTS, will sell them AT COST from date, until all are sold.
13-14 PAUL M. ROTH.

The largest assortment of Plush Photograph, and Autograph Albums will be found at LORING'S, and at extremely low prices. 14-16

TAX PAYERS OF CALEDONIA.

The undersigned, Treasurer of the township of Caledonia, will be at the office of Justice L. VanDusen, in the city of Owosso, Wednesdays Dec. 10th, 17th, 24th and 31st, from 9 o'clock forenoon, till 4 o'clock afternoon, and at the County Treasurer's office in Corunna, on Saturdays Dec. 6, 13, 20 and 27, at hours as above, to receive taxes.
14-15* A. V. JOHNSON.

TO TAX PAYERS OF BENNINGTON.

I will be at the following places to receive taxes. At Pittsburg, Tuesday, Dec. 9th, 1884; at Bennington Station, Dec. 30, and at home every Friday during the month. No money received for taxes after 3 o'clock, p. m. M. W. SOUTHARD,
14-16 Treasurer of Bennington.

TAX PAYERS OF OWOSSO TOWNSHIP.

The undersigned Treasurer of the township of Owosso, will be at the office of Justice L. VanDusen, city of Owosso, on Saturday of each week during the month of December, from 9 o'clock a. m. till 3 o'clock p. m. to receive taxes.
14-15* GEO. T. MASON.

TO TAXPAYERS OF SHIAWASSEE TP

During the month of December, to take taxes, I will be at Bancroft, Saturday, 13th, 20th and 27th; at Homer Newberry's office in Shiawassee town, on Thursday, 18th, and at my home on each Friday.

I cannot receive money after 5 o'clock p. m., at my place. I wish to *avoid all danger and losses*, and I ask *you to help me to do the business* in a *safe* way. Do not come to my home except on Fridays, and *never* later than 2 o'clock p. m., in order to give me time to bank the funds.

Do not expect me to cash school warrants or orders at my home except on Fridays.
FRANK GREENMAN,
14-15* Township Treasurer.

The largest Wax Dolls in America at LORING'S, from 10 cents to $1.

Monuments—A Card.

I have now on hand the largest stock of finished monuments and all kinds of Cemetery work ever brought to Owosso—all styles and all prices from $25.00 up. I am offering them at lower prices than they have ever been sold for. Please give me a call and see for yourselves, as they are all finished, and you can see just what you are buying. I am bound to sell and will make it an object for you to buy of me. All work guaranteed to be first-class. T. J. HORSMAN.

SECOND
PROMENADE CONCERT
BY THE
K. T. BAND,
WEDNESDAY EVE., DEC. 10, '84

PROGRAMME.

1. CONCERT SCENE — Introduction, Arai and Chorus (first time.) ..Kiesler
2. WALTZ—"Love Among the Roses."
3. QUADRILLE—"Mardi Gra." First time. Elegant music.....Schubert
4. NEWPORT GLIDE.....Persley
5. GALOP—"Racquet"...Kate Simmons
6. QUADRILLE—"Teufels"..... Strauss
7. SCHOTTISCHE,.....Catlin

INTERMISSION 10 MINUTES.

8. MARCH, "Beggar Student,"Wiegand
9. QUADRILLE, "The Irish Minstrel," First time.....Decker
10. WALTZ, "Olivette,".....Alixis
11. SCHOTTISCHE.....Catlin
12. QUADRILLE, "Karl,".....Franck
13. GRAND MEDLY, Newport, Racquet, Waltz, etc.

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Common Council.

A regular meeting of the Common Council was held Monday evening, Dec. 1. The Mayor being absent, Ald. Dawes was chosen to preside. The Clerk and a full board of Aldermen in attendance.

Accounts presented.

Howell & Co., repairs, &c	$48 10
M. W. Willoughby, wood	1 59
Wm. Quinn, livery at funeral	2 50
Henry Gilbusha, assisting to take Woodbury's engine from race	7 50
Sawing cedar blocks for cross walks	5 00
Alf Drown, mason work	3 00
R. Campbell, Marshal	9 00
Alvin Call, city teamster	8 75
Wm. Cheal, street labor	2 50
Pat Harvey, " "	2 50
A. McDonald, team work	5 00
A. K. Giles, night watch	12 25
H. C. Main, city surveyor	20 00
Mrs. Welcher, room for election, registration, and Atlas destroyed	9 00

The City Attorney submitted a report in reference to sidewalks and opening streets leading to the new school house in the ward, accompanied by the draft of a resolution to declare the opening of the streets a necessity, and that the council will on Dec. 3, apply to Justice Taylor to draw a jury to ascertain the necessity and the damage to individuals, by opening the street, the street to be known as Stewart street, to be laid on the quarter line, sec. 24, from Shiawassee street west to the city line.

The attorney also reported a like resolution preparatory to extending Cedar street.

Both resolutions were adopted.

The resignation of S. F. Smith as Supervisor at large, was presented and accepted.

Ald. Frieseke from the special committee to inquire into Woodbury's claim for damages, reported that the bridge was in good repair and reasonably safe for travel at the time his engine broke through.

Ald. Titcomb of the committee on claims, &c., reported favorably on all the claims presented as above, except the claims of Mrs. Welcher and H. C. Main.

A motion to accept the report was negatived.

Mr. Woodin's claim for assisting the Surveyor, laid over from last meeting, was allowed.

Ald. Frieseke reported adversely to placing a street lamp before the Ladies' library rooms.

Ald. Jones reported that Clark Drown had bought the scavenger tools of Mrs. Galusha, and would take the appointment of city scavenger.

Ald. Frieseke submitted reports recommending sidewalks on the east side of Gilbert street, and on the west side of Elm street as asked for.

A motion to ballot for Supervisor at large failed to pass.

A request from Cemetery Commissioner Mabin to have a drive-way in Oakhill Cemetery, graveled from the entrance to the potters field, was granted.

Adjourned.

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WHITNEY—MOORE—By the same, Nov. 18, '84, George Whitney and Mrs. Charlotte Moore, all of Muir, Ionia county, Mich.

KIBBY—SHAW—By the same, Nov. 25, 1884, William L. Kibby and Charlotte E. Shaw, all of New Haven.

LOCAL NOTICES.

A fine line of Christmas Candies, just received at H. W. Holman's in Post Office.

FOR RENT.—The Ashery with a new dwelling house on the premises, nearly opposite the brewery. Apply to CHARLES GABRIEL, Agent. 14tf

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14-15* GEO. W. SPRINKLE.

LOST, on the streets of Owosso, Saturday, Nov. 29, a small, dark leather pocket-book, containing a $10 and a $5 bill and perhaps more. Leave at THE PRESS office and receive reward. 1*

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Wednesday, December 3, 1884.

A MISTAKEN GIRL.

I thought she was a lovely sight,
As daintily arrayed in white,
With rosy cheeks and glances bright,
That summer day
She played croquet;

Until beneath a shady tree
I stopped to rest, which chanced to be
Where in the kitchen I could see,
That summer day
She played croquet;

And there alone in that hot place
Her mother stood with care-worn face,
And ironed a gown all frills and lace,
That summer day
She played croquet.

A gown, the very counterpart
Of that she wore with witching art;
And so she did not win my heart
That summer day
She played croquet.
—*Harper's Bazar.*

Women as Photographers.

Girard avenue is excited over a female photographer—a quiet little woman who cares nothing for anybody, and who goes about her work with the mechanical don't-careativeness of a man.

"Some people have an idea a woman can't take a picture," she said to a *News* reporter this morning. "But there's no reason in the world why a woman shouldn't be able to take a negative, print a picture and mount it just as well as a man."

"And yet there are very few female photographers."

"I only know of one other beside myself who goes into the 'dark' room. She's a Juniata county woman, and stepped into her husband's shoes—camera, I might say—when he died a year or two ago. Scores of young ladies in this city paint and finish pictures, but I am the only female photographer in Philadelphia."

She smiled and looked around her daintily furnished studio with evident exultation.

"You are proud of it?"

"Very."

"Why is the female army of photographers so small?"

"Women don't like the chemicals. That's one reason. They dislike to get their pretty little fingers stained. In taking tintypes the staining is a very marked objection. The silver bath into which the 'tin' is first plunged leaves an almost indelible bronze stain on the fingers. Then, when the picture has been taken from the camera, the chloride of potassium with which it is run gives the skin a peculiar greenish-yellow tinge. Finally, the varnish, which follows coloring, stains a horrid brown. It's impossible to keep the fingers out of the chemicals, and pretty women with pretty fingers don't like it."

"But that is not the only reason?"

"Oh, no. The opposition of the trade has a much greater influence in keeping women from practically photographing. The photographers will not give their female employes a chance to do anything but finishing work, and as a consequence a girl leaves a studio after two or three years with no more practical ideas of how a picture should be taken than when she began. It's a shame! But just like the selfish creatures that men are," added the little woman, spitefully.

"Why," she said, "I never heard of a woman in a Philadelphia photographic studio who takes a picture out and out. They get the back work, that's all. The men carry off all the honors. If a woman does manage to get an idea of practical photography they wouldn't have her in a gallery. The only chance for her is to go in business for herself."

"What is the future of the female photographer?"

The "only woman photographer" walked the length of the gallery. She clenched her little chemical-stained fingers.

"Photography is an art requiring peculiar abilities. Those abilities women possess to a more marked degree than men. Woman," she said, and she took another turn across the studio, "woman is the photographer of the future."
—*Philadelphia News.*

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Local and Otherwise.

—Wintry weather with light snow last week.

—The streets of Owosso are filled daily with farmers' teams. Saturday was particularly lively.

—The following patents were granted to citizens of this State, bearing date of Nov. 18, 1884, and reported for this paper by Louis Bagger & Co, Mechanical Experts and Solicitors of Patents, Washington, D. C.

Joseph Barton, Jackson, warming-pan.

D. W. Emmons, North Adams, lame strap.

C. B. Hodges, and E. McCoy, Detroit, lubricator.

Jacob Howell, Jackson, two-wheeled vehicle.

J. W. Twiggs, and J. H. Porter, Jackson, cylinder cock.

B. I. Williams, Lansing, churn.

Oscar Wilde.

I met a friend the other day who knew Oscar Wilde intimately during the winter he spent quietly in town here, and said he:

"Much as the public laughed at Wilde's extravagance he made a lasting and beneficial impression. The stimulus he gave to artistic household decorations was astonishing. His lectures gave people few ideas perhaps, but they called attention to the subject. For the first time hundreds of householders knew what artistic beauty meant. Only upholsterers and furniture dealers can fully appreciate the change in the decoration and arrangement of interiors during the last two years. The old-style drawing-room, for instance, in gold and white, with bare walls blotched with huge daubs in gilt frames; Corinthian columns dividing the apartment and a glaring carpet with monstrous figures is a thing of the past. The houses of the rich are now marvels of taste and beauty, and the poor and well-to-do furnish with an eye to grace and effect as well as cheapness.

"Most of Wilde's money that he made in this country," my friend continued, "was made outside his lecture-room. He was constantly offered large sums by rich men to visit their houses and suggest harmonious colors and artistic effects in decoration. He frequently got $500 for a visit of a couple of hours, and just coined money."

I have always said that the man who set Oscar down for a fool was making a big mistake.—*New York Star.*

Fellow-Passengers.

A Chicago Drummer balanced his chin on the edge of the seat in front of him, and tickled a sandy-haired passenger's ear with the remark:

"You've been in Chicago, of course?"

An uncertain look came into the sandy-haired man's eyes.

"Let me see!" he mused, retrospectively; "'pears to me I must have passed through there. I've traveled a good deal. I know I've heard the name before. What line of road is it on?"

"Forty lines of road. It's the biggest railroad centre on earth."

"Not bigger'n Crestline, O., is it?" asked the passenger with an amazed expression. "I've seen four trains to onct at Crestline waitin' to start off. Talk about noise and confusion!"

The Chicago man's teeth began to chatter.

"Is Chicago a place where the trains stop for dinner?"

"Naw," said the disgusted drummer; "Chicago is a place where the passengers stop for dinner."

"Of course; that's what I meant," explained the red-haired man, gently. "Fact is," he went on with confidential frankness, "I've traveled so much and been in so many different places in my lifetime that I don't purtend to remember more'n a quarter of 'em. What's the name of the hotel in Chicago?"

"There ain't any," said the drummer, gloomily.

Then he walked forward to the filter, filled his mouth full of water, gargled his throat, whooshed the liquid on the floor, and hung his leg over the corner of the coal-box.

"Who is that evil-eyed, pink-haired, lumpy-legged, prairie-eared microbe at the other end of the car?" he asked of the conductor, who was passing through the train.

"Do you mean the gentleman looking out of the window?"

"Ya'as."

"He's a fish-merchant from St. Louis."—*Detroit Post.*

For an appetizer, nothing is better than cabbage or the tops of turnips; but for a stubborn cough or cold, don't forget, the best thing is a bottle of Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup.

The Missouri father did not pursue his eloping daughter, but sent a clergyman on a a swift horse to overtake the couple, in order that the marriage ceremony might be performed properly.

Look Out For Your Head.

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Earth-Movements in Chili.

In all only ten known Chilian craters can be pronounced with certainty to be now active volcanoes. Obviously the neighbo hood of these subterranean furnaces cannot be regarded as belonging to the quiet regions of the earth. No part of the earth's surface is so prolific of earthquakes as the western half of South America; and here they are more frequent and severe on the Pacific coast than on the eastern side of the Andes. On this coast they are often accompanied with scenes of horror and woe that surpass description. To the direct consequences in the loss of life and the destruction of buildings are frequently added the ravages of fire breaking out in the ruins and consuming all that has not been already crushed. The seaport towns are exposed to a still further danger of destruction by the rushing tidal-wave which follows the extraordinary retreat of the waters with which the earthquake phenomena are usually accompanied. These evils and more were suffered in their worst form during and after the earthquakes of March, 1881, with which Mendoza was visited, and August, 1868, which laid waste a considerable stretch of the coast, with many towns.

With these volcanic and seismic phenomena is associated a steady elevation of the Chilian coast, which has amounted, according to the indications of the shore terraces, to from six metres at Cape Three Mountains, to three hundred and ninety-seven metres at Concepcion, within the present geological period. Darwin has averaged the rate at about seventeen centimetres a year. The Island of Santa Maria, in the northwest of the Bay of Arauco, rose three metres during the earthquake of 1835, but afterwards sank to its old level. Depressions also seem to have taken place in former periods. The elevating force is more intensive in the Chilian Andes than in the neighboring countries, and, as it is still in operation, it is still destined probably to carry the loftiest peaks of the Cordilleras to a still greater height. The frequent occurrence of the ending *huapi*—Indian for island—in the names of promontories, indicates that many former islands are now connected with the mainland. The islands of Imeleb and Quehui, in Chiloe, are at present separated only at high water, and appear to be approaching a permanent union.—*Dr. Karl Ochsenius, in Popular Science Monthly for November.*

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"When did your husband die?"

"He's dead just about now, sah, case when I lef' home de doctor he say de po' man couldn't live more den fifteen minutes longer, an' I reckon I hab been 'bout dat long walking frum de Perkins block ter dis place. You see, I'll need some o' de money in de fun'ral. Doan wanter go dar lookin' sloushey an like—look heah man ain't yer gwine ter gin me der money? Hafter fetch er stifikit dat he's dead, yer say? Yer's de fust man I eber seed whut wouldn't beleve de truf when its tole him. All right, sah, I'll sen' roun' de corps on er dray. Dat'll be stifikit 'nuff."—*Arkansaw Traveler.*

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Express,	7:05 p. m	Chicago Exp	7:05 p. m
		Thro Freight,	8:50 a m

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†6 20	ST. LOUIS	D†10.00
†6 25	S. V. & ST. L. CROSSING	†9.46
*6.36	CHURCH'S	*9 36
6.50	ITHICA	D9.24
*7.06	DOUGLASS	*9.06
7.26	ASHLEY	8.40
7.42	BANISTER	8.24
8.00	ELSIE	D8.14
*8.16	CARLAND	*8.00
†8.45	OWOSSO	D†7.40

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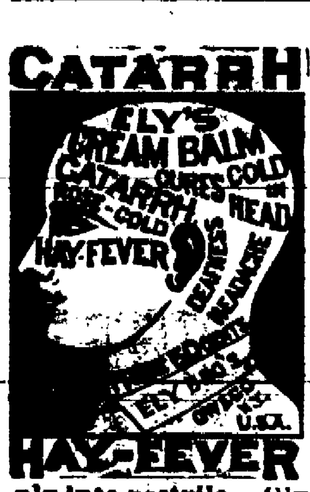

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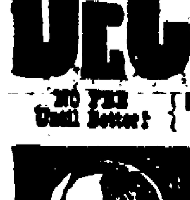

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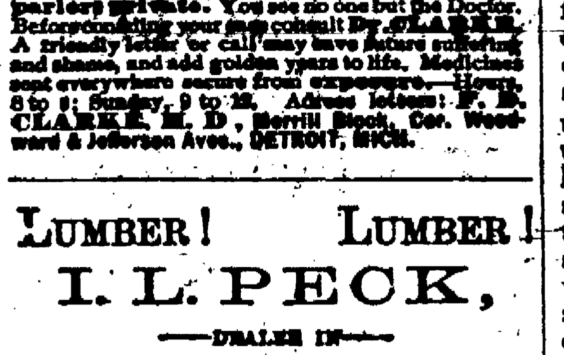

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THE OWOSSO PRESS.

Wednesday, December 3, 1884.

PLENTY OF CHEAP COPPER.

An Abundance of the Metal from New Mines Lead to Surprising Results.

Copper was never so cheap as now. The present price is about 13 cents a pound. The old price, a few years ago, was 18 to 20 cents, and during the war it went up to 50 cents. Curiously enough, as the price of copper has gone down, the uses for it have increased, and hundreds of things are now made of copper that were formerly made of cheaper metals, or not made at all. Who has not noticed the sudden increase of articles made of brass—the beautiful plaques on which the ladies paint, the tons of chandeliers, gas-fixtures, frames, and thousands of other things—all resulting from cheap copper, for brass is two-thirds copper and one-third spelter or zinc?

"How do you account for all this?" was asked of a Pearl street manufacturer.

"I do not know exactly how to account for it," he said, "but it is a fact. Here is a copper teakettle, such as I used to pay $2.25 to $2.50 to import. I can now sell it for 75 cents and make a profit. The home manufacture has increased enormously. Thousands of workmen are employed who are new at the business. Processes of manufacture have improved. We are learning how to make things to better advantage. We can export instead of import. I do not think the tariff has had much to do with it. Here are seamless edge, planished copper teakettles, extra heavy, spun from the bottom up to the breast, making a body of great strength. I sell them to the trade at $27 a dozen. It was not long ago that one of them—indeed, one not so good as one of these—would cost almost the price of a dozen. For a few cents more we sell them nickel-plated. They are used as ornaments for parlor stoves sometimes. Here are urns, tumbler warmers, cuspidores, jewelry boxes, brass mats, umbrella stands, hat-racks, stovepipe collars, stove legs, stove platforms, and lots of things that could not have been made a few years ago, owing to the high price of copper. Now they are becoming articles of everyday use."

In another Pearl street store were more than sixty varieties of brass plaques imitating hammered work, at prices varying from $1.80 a dozen to $26 a dozen. This is comparatively a new business. In another store were copper bath-tubs of half a dozen patterns, basins, closet pans, boilers, pipes, and copper balls for water-tanks. Walking up Fulton street among the wire stores, there were copper and brass cages, wire cloth, and other copper utensils sparkling in the sun.

"How do you account for the boom in the copper and brass business?"

"Easily enough; we can buy cheaper."

"What makes it cheaper?"

"The coming in of Arizona and other western copper to compete with Lake Superior copper. The price has been kept going down, but the demand for copper has kept pace with it. New uses are made for it every day. Formerly the lake copper people had it all their own way. They would calmly announce the price of copper for the year, and all we would have to do would be to pay for it. But now it is quite different. The Arizona copper is not quite so good, but it answers just as well for many purposes, and keeps the price down. The lake copper is about half a cent to a cent dearer, but the monopoly has gone. We not only take no account of foreign copper, but we are now exporting plenty of it and plenty of manufactured goods."

The rapid progress of electrical inventions has required an immense consumption of brass and copper for electrical machinery. It has been found out that copper wire has many qualities that make it desirable for telegraph, lighting, and telephone lines, for which, during the high prices of copper, it could not be used. Now the copper wire trade is enormous and constantly growing, and the varieties manufactured are many and curious. Tons upon tons of these varieties of wires are kept in stock, though only a short time ago such a thing was unknown in the trade. Immense quantities of brass and copper are used in house hardware, water fixtures, railroad supplies, clocks, and fancy goods, where other and cheaper metals were formerly made to do, all owing to the marvelously low price of copper.—*New York Sun.*

The Branding Iron as the Basis of Fortunes.

At first these gangs only stole Mexican stock, which they left at Cloverdale until they had a chance to drive them to the San Carlos Indian Agency, which was their chief market. Sometimes they stole thoroughbred American stock, when they had to go to work to remove the brands. The plan was simple enough. A piece of blanket was taken and wrung out after being dipped in water. A common frying pan was then heated nearly red hot. The wet blanket was applied over the brand and the red hot pan pressed hard against it. The steam generated scalded the hair clean off and the job was done. In a few months the hair began to grow again and a new brand was put on. Then again the fellows had a kind of branding iron with which they could change a number of brands. I once heard a Texan boast of a man in Presido county, Texas, who started in five years ago with only two old cows and a branding iron, and who is now worth $100,000. I told him that I knew half a dozen men in New Mexico who started in with only the branding iron, and are to day worth $200,000. The branding iron has laid the foundation of many respectable fortunes, both here and in Texas.—*New Mexican Cor. St. Louis Globe-Democrat.*

The best four-in-hand—four aces.

WIT AND HUMOR.

What is the difference between the proprietor of a cattle train and a sea captain? One ships his steers and the other steers his ship. Hence these steers.

When a barn burns in Indiana there is always some smart young men around to throw an old bone and a half a dozen buttons among the ruins, and a "terrible mystery" is sure to follow.—*Detroit Free Press.*

Sound travels 1,142 feet per second, and yet when a man rushes out of a side street and yells after a car has just passed, the sound never seems to overtake the car and disturb the day-dream of the conductor.

"What do you think of Fielding?" asked a young lady of a recent college graduate with whom she had been talking about the early English novelists. "O," was the answer, "it's important, of course, but it doesn't amount to anything without good batting."

A Boston young lady has been proposed to by means of a letter printed on the type-writer. Such care to have it legible seems to have been entirely unnecessary on the part of the young man. Trust a girl to read a letter of proposal at sight even if written in bad handwriting.

Mrs. Grundy's latest tells of a young married lady in New York who, during a recent fever, insisted upon being taken to the hospital, although her own residence is one of the handsomest in the city. It is explained that "she wanted to get rid of her husband's poker parties."

One of the funniest typographical errors ever made was in a recent exchange. A reporter, in writing an account of a ball, said that the belle of the evening "looked au fait." The types put it that she "looked all feet." Now neither the lady nor the reporter is happy.—*Providence Sunday Star.*

All the "Colonels" in the hotel business were originally in the regular army, and in the thickest of the fight fought bravely for positions in the rear of the advancing troops. Several were badly wounded in the back, and one had the heel shot off his shoe. They are all so courageous that they go to bed in the dark.—*Hotel Mail.*

"Now," said a gentleman to a negro whom he had just employed, "I want you to come early every morning. I propose to pay you well, and I want you to work." "Wants me ter work, yer say?" "Of course I do." "Dat lets me out, den; I don't 'ject ter de pay, an' I'd jos' as soon hire out, but I doan wanter work. Good day, sah."—*Arkansaw Traveler.*

"It's a powerful hard matter for me to keep my religion," said a church member to his minister. "Every time I think I've got an everlasting' holt on it something turns up to make me cuss; so I am kept on a trot between the world and the mourner's bench. This morning I lost all the religion I had while trying to shoot Tom Green. The gun wouldn't go off and I had to cuss."—*Arkansaw Traveler.*

A lady—a French lady—is showing a visitor the family portraits in the picture gallery. "That officer there in uniform," she says, "was my great-great-grandfather. He was as brave as a lion, but one of the most unfortunate of men—he never fought a battle in which he did not have an arm or leg carried away." Then she adds proudly: "He took part in twenty-four engagements."

An Irishman who was very near-sighted, about to fight a duel, insisted that he should stand six paces nearer his antagonist than he did to him, and that they should both fire at the same time. This beats Sheridan's telling a fat man who was going to fight a thin one that the latter's slim figure ought to be chalked on the other's portly person, and if the bullet hit him outside the chalk mark it was to go for nothing.—*Manchester Courier.*

Once in the dining-room of the principal hotel in Amherst, Mass., a table girl asked me: "Has any other lady taken your order?" I was obliged to confess that I had not had an opportunity to give my order to "any other lady." A little girl of my acquaintance whose instincts and training had made her unusually polite for a child, startled the family by announcing: "Mamma, the swill lady is at the back door."—*Harper's Bazar.*

"Speakin' of productive soil," said the man from Dakota, "the half has not been told. A few weeks ago my wife said, "Why, John, I b'lieve you've took to growin' again.' I measured myself, and I hope Gabriel'll miss me at the final roundup if I hadn't grown six inches in two weeks. I couldn't account for it for some time, till at last I tumbled to the fact that thar war holes in my boots, an' the infernal soil got in thar and done its work."—*St. Paul Herald.*

Mr. Wagner has left on record a quaint story illustrative of the curtness of the hero of Waterloo. The tutor had gone to Apsley House to tell the Duke of a house that seemed suitable for the boys and himself. "The rent is so much," said Mr. Wagner. "Take it," replied the Duke. "The taxes are so much." "Pay them." "The furniture is so much." "Buy it. Anything more?" "No, sir." "Then good morning."—*London World.*

It is related of Charley Backus that he attended church with his mother at New Bedford, and, while others dropped pennies into the contribution box, he put in 50 cents. His mother leaned over the high-back pew and whispered: "Charley, why will you be so extravagant? A quarter was plenty to put in that box." "Never mind, mother," said the minstrel, "I'm going down to the Sandwich Islands next month, and I'll rake in the whole collection."

The German army commissariat is ordered to avoid middlemen and purchase supplies directly from the producer.

WASHINGTON.

NAVAL SUPPLIES.

The annual report of the Fourth Auditor of the Treasury says that the growing evil in the expenditure of money by the Navy Department has been increased by the disregard of some of the bureaus of the law requiring advertisements and contracts for purchases made. The recently-discovered fraudulent practices in the Naval Bureau of Medicine and Surgery were greatly facilitated by the persistent determination of the late Surgeon-General to nominally make all purchases himself, while it was practically impossible for him to personally supervise the transactions taking place scores or hundreds of miles from the seat of Government. During the fiscal year 1883 supplies were purchased amounting to $2,298,857, of which only $685,352 were bought upon advertisements and contracts. Three bureaus wholly neglected the law requiring advertising, and another—the one making the largest purchase of all—only advertised and contracted for 1 per cent of the goods and materials bought. About $1,000,000 worth of open and exempt purchases were made of six individuals or firms, one dealer going over $300,000. Under the act relating to materials for boilers hundreds of thousands of dollars' worth have been bought practically with no competition at all. Over $19,000 was paid during the year as commissions to Seligman Bros., London, and nearly $7,000 in interest, the former, in the opinion of the auditor, being twice as much as it ought to be, and the latter wholly unnecessary. The report says:

"The recently-discovered frauds in the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery were mostly committed upon the continuous hospital fund, whose large unexpended balance has furnished a temptation not existing in the case of annual appropriations made by Congress."

WINTER WHEAT.

In a great many of the states farmers have finished their fall work, and reliable estimates as to the amount of winter wheat soon can be made. It is rather early yet for returns, but in some of the more southern states the state boards of agriculture have already begun to get returns from correspondents. S. W. Tallmadge, who is in correspondence with the statisticians in nearly every state in the union, has received reports from the boards of Virginia, Indiana, Kansas, Ohio, and Michigan. The reports show a general, and in some instances, a large decrease in acreage.

Randolph Harrison, commissioner of agriculture for Virginia, reports the condition of the crop in that state not very favorable. The acreage is largely decreased over that of the past year.

Alexander Herron, secretary of the state board of agriculture of Indiana, says there is a decrease in acreage from 25 to 33 per cent. The growing crops, however, are in fair condition.

William Simms, recently of the state board of agriculture of Kansas, has yet to receive the official figures of the fall sowing. Mr. Simms says, however, that they will show a very large decrease in the acreage. Crops in that state are looking well, as a rule. In some portions of the state considerable complaint is made of insects, which are laying eggs at the roots of the stalks.

Hon. Henry A. Conant, secretary of state for Michigan, writes that the winter wheat in that state is in good condition; on the whole, rather better than last year at this date. The plants are no healthier, but the tops are larger.

W. J. Chamberlain, secretary of the state board of agriculture of Ohio, thinks the winter wheat sown this fall will not be less than last year. The official figures are not yet received. The present condition of the growing crop is fair.

THE POSTOFFICE DEPARTMENT.

The annual report of the first assistant postmaster general shows that the number of postoffices established during the year was 3,414, an increase of 161 over the preceding year. The number discontinued was 1,260, a decrease of 361; a net increase of 522. The whole number of postoffices on June 30, 1884, was 50,017, an increase of 2,154. The number filled by presidential appointment was 2,323; the number filled by the appointment of the postmaster general was 47,694. During the year 11,953 postmasters were appointed. The net increase of postoffices during the year is much larger than any increase for several years past. The increase was divided among sections as follows: New England states, 49; five middle states, 225; fourteen southern states and Indian Territory, 1,070; ten states and six territories in the west and northwest, 707; three states and three territories on the Pacific slope, 3,104. The greatest increase in any of the states or territories was 156 in Texas. The increase in North Carolina was 126 and in Pennsylvania 124. The only decrease was in New Mexico. Comparing the number of postoffices in the different states the six highest on June 30, were: Pennsylvania, 3,840; New York, 3,129; Ohio, 2,797; Illinois, 2,167; Virginia, 1,982; and Missouri, 1,968. Of the territories Dakota had the largest number, 837, exceeding the number in either Massachusetts, Maryland, or South Carolina.

It is recommended that the free-delivery system be extended to places of 10,000 inhabitants provided the postal revenues amount to $10,000 yearly. The attention of congress is invited to the importance of erecting buildings for postoffices in all cities of 20,000 inhabitants and upward.

The annual report of A. D. Hazen, third assistant postmaster general, shows the total number of postage-stamps, stamped envelopes, and postal-cards issued during the year was 2,166,130,296, and their total value $41,515,877. There was a decrease in the value of issues of ordinary postage-stamps of $1,229,736. The total decrease in the value of all issued, including postal-cards, stamped-envelopes, postage-due stamps, and wrappers was $1,397,448. The weight of second-class matter during the year, not including free circulation within the county, of publications, was 94,479,607 pounds, the postage on which was $1,889,592, an increase of $184,414 over the previous year. The whole number of pieces of undelivered mail matter received in the dead-letter office, including 278,648 pieces on hand, was 4,848,099, and of this number 31,479 were misdirected. There were destroyed 2,588,477 letters, and 17,513 parcels of fruit, cake, etc. Among letters opened, 13,062 contained money, and 19,014 drafts, etc. Of letters sent to foreign countries, 210,486 were returned as undeliverable. The total number of letters and parcels registered during the year was 11,246,545; the amount of registry fees collected $967,089, an increase of $30,509. The loss of registered letters during the year amounted to 1 out of every 21,795 pieces mailed. This is the smallest average loss since the organization of the registry system.

FOREIGN.

The death is announced of Sir George St. Patrick Lawrence, of London, who gave to the world a history of his service in India for nearly half a century.

Admiral Courbet telegraphs that the appearance of Chinese blockade runners on the coast of Formosa compelled him to extend his line of vessels.

The conservatives of both houses of the British parliament held a meeting [illegible] and resolved to pass the franchise bill on condition that the government immediately produce a satisfactory redistribution bill. In accordance with this agreement the franchise measure passed to second reading in the house of lords without division.

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Wednesday, December 3, 1884.

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SHERIFF'S SALE.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of one writ of execution issued out of and under the seal of the Circuit Court for the county of Shiawassee, in favor of George B. Munson, plaintiff, and against the goods and chattels, and for want thereof then of the lands and tenements of William L. Arnold, defendant, dated October 13th, 1881, to me directed and delivered, while Sheriff of said county, and the execution and collection of which writ had been commenced by me before the expiration of my term of office as said Sheriff, by a levy on the land hereinafter described, that I shall sell at public auction to the highest bidder, at the front door of the court house, in the city of Corunna, in the county of Shiawassee, State of Michigan, on *Friday, the 16th day of January*, 1885, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, all the title and interest of said William L. Arnold, in and to the following described land, to wit: The south half of the northwest quarter of section one (1) township eight (8) north, range one (1) east, county of Shiawassee, State of Michigan. Dated Dec. 1, 1884.

14-20 CLARK D. SMITH, Late Sheriff,
By JOHN D. EVENS, Late Deputy Sheriff.

MUSIC—Miss Carrie Stewart will give instructions in instrumental music on piano and organ, either at her home or will go to the residence of pupils. Address P. O. box 676, Owosso. 5tf

MORTGAGE SALE.

Default having been made in the condition of a certain mortgage, bearing date November 15th, 1879 executed by David Myers to Alice Wright, who is now Alice Everts and recorded November 18th, 1879, in the office of the Register of Deeds of Shiawassee County, Michigan, in liber 16, of mortgages, page 135, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice, four hundred dollars and twenty-five dollars attorney fee stipulated to be paid should any proceedings be instituted to recover any part of said mortgage, and no suit or proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover any part of the debt secured by said mortgage, now therefore, by virtue of the power of sale in said mortgage contained and of the statute in such case made and provided, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, and notice is hereby given that, *on the Second day of March, A. D.*, 1885, at ten o'clock in the forenoon of said day, at the front door of the Court House in the city of Corunna, in said county of Shiawassee, there will be sold at public vendue to the highest bidder the premises in said mortgage described, viz.: South half (½) northeast quarter (¼) of southwest quarter (¼) and the south half (½) of the northwest quarter (¼) of the southeast quarter (¼) of section thirty; in town eight north, range two east.

Dated Nov. 25, 1884.

JEROME W. TURNER, Att'y for Mortgagee. ALICE EVERTS, Mortgagee. 13-26

Probate Order.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, } ss.
COUNTY OF SHIAWASSEE, }

At a session of the Probate Court for the county of Shiawassee, holden at the probate office, in the city of Corunna, on Wednesday the 12th day of November, in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-four.

Present—A. A. Harper, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of Joseph Walker deceased. On reading and filing the petition, duly verified, of John Reynolds praying among other things for the probate of the instrument now filed in this Court purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased. Thereupon it is ordered, that *Friday the 12th day of Dec.*, next at ten o'clock in the forenoon, be assigned for the hearing of said petition, and that the heirs at law of said deceased, and all other persons interested in said estate, are required to appear at a session of said Court, then to be holden at the Probate Office, in the city of Corunna, and show cause, if any there be, why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted: And it is further ordered, that said petitioner give notice to the persons interested in said estate, of the pendency of said petition, and the hearing thereof by causing a copy of this order to be published in the Owosso WEEKLY PRESS, a newspaper printed and circulating in said county of Shiawassee for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing.

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13-15 A. A. HARPER, Judge of Probate.

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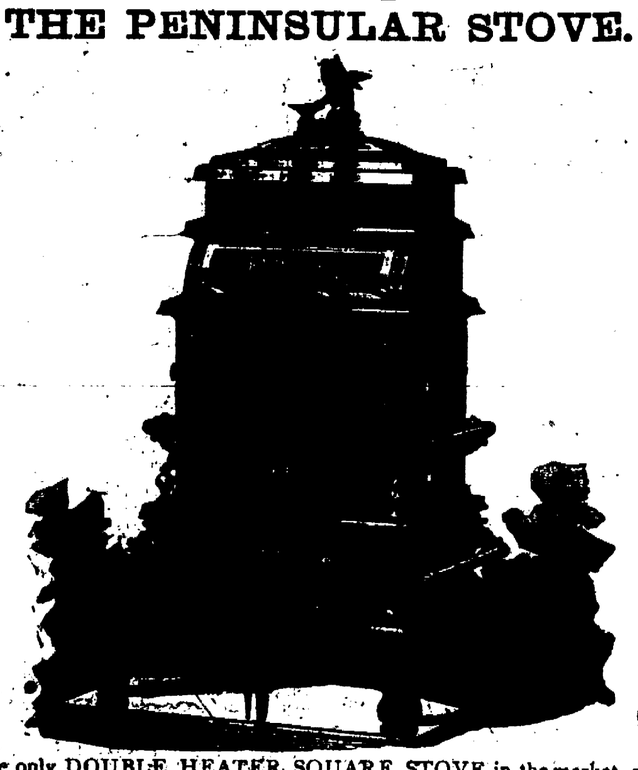

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