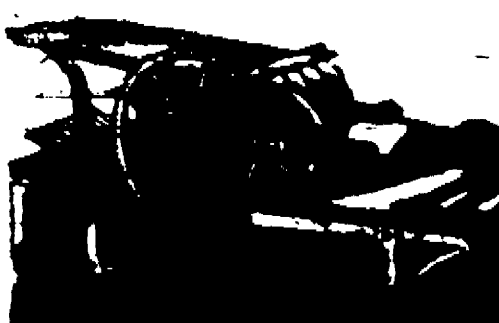




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Soldiers' and Sailors' Reunion

Owosso, Aug. 11, 12 & 13.

PROGRAM.

FIRST DAY—WEDNESDAY, AUG. 11.—
Office of the Day, Capt. Wm. P. Steadman
Reveille at Daybreak; Sunrise Gun; Break-
fast at 7 a. m.; Sick Call at 8 a. m.; Guard
Mounting at 10 a. m.; Dinner at 12 m.; Dress
Parade at 2 p. m.; Supper at 5 p. m.; Re-
treat and Salute at Sunset; From 7 to 10 p.
m., Campfires and Regimental Reunions;
Tattoo 10 p. m.; Taps 11 p. m.

SECOND DAY—THURSDAY, AUG. 12.—
Reveille at Daybreak; Morning Gun at
Sunrise; Breakfast at 6:30 a. m.; 1st Ser-
geant's Call 7:30; Sick Call 8; Guard Mount-
ing 9; Business Meeting at 10; Dinner at
12 m.; Grand Parade at 1:30 p. m.; Address
of Welcome by Mayor Nelson; Response by
Capt. E. M. Allen of Portland; Addresses
at Grand Stand by Gen. B. M. Cutcheon
Rev. Washington Gardner, of Jackson
Major C. C. Ellsworth, of Greenville; Jer-
ome W. Turner, of Owosso; and Colonels
Michigan Regiments; Supper at 6; Dress
Parade at 7; Regimental Reunions from 8
to 10; placed announced on dress parade
Tattoo 10; Taps 11.

THIRD DAY—FRIDAY, AUGUST 13.—
Reveille at Daybreak; Sunrise Gun; Break-
fast 6:30 a. m.; 1st Sergeant's Call 7:30
Guard Mounting, 8; Prize Drill 9 to 11
Awarding of Prizes at 11; Dinner 12 m
Sham Battle between the Blue and the Gray
1:30 p. m.; Caring for the dead and wound-
ed immediately after the battle; Dress Pa-
rade 5; Supper 6; Campfires from 7 to 10;
Tattoo 10; Taps 11.

FOURTH DAY—SATURDAY, AUG. 14.—
Program run on Standard time.

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STAFF COMMANDING CAMP.

Colonel, T. M. Wiley, 1st. Colonel, A. H.
Heath, Major, S. B. Daboll, Adjutant, J.
E. Constock, Surgeon, C. O. Jennison, M.
D.; Inspector, C. H. Morse, Quartermas-
ter, J. S. Wilcox, Commissary, J. A. Har-
ris, Sergeant Major, L. R. Nichols; Bugler,
E. A. Roberts; Q. M. Sergeant, D. F. Blair;
Com. Sergt., C. L. Paris; Chaplain, Rev.
W. Gardner; Assistant, Rev. J. S. Smart;
Assistant, Rev. John Hamilton; Chief of
Staff, Lt. Col. O. S. Smith.

ADJUTANT.

Captains C. S. Gilbert, Albert Thomas, A.
F. Bout, J. D. Summers, J. B. Cross, J. M.
Frank, G. C. Barnes.

RECEPTION COMMITTEE.

Mayor, Thomas Nelson; Ex-Mayors, Wm.
M. Kilpatrick, J. W. Turner, E. A. Todd, Chas.
Condit, W. A. Woodard, D. M. Ester, Dr. C.
McCormick, James Osburn, A. J. Patterson,
B. P. Taylor, Dr. C. P. Parkhill.

CITIZENS' COMMITTEE.

W. H. Bigelow, N. McBain, C. C. Duff, J. C.
Williams, O. Sharpe, George R. Black, A.
T. Thomas, John Brooks, J. F. Laubengayer,
Jay Terhush, John C. Johnson, M. Brown, C.
J. Stuart, C. H. Kelsey, J. J. Davis, J. H. Co-
pas, H. W. Parker, D. R. Salisbury.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Thomas Nelson, G. L. Dimmick, Dr. M. E.
Knapp.

DECORATING COMMITTEE.

Charles Lawrence, D. M. Christian, W. F.
Guile, G. W. Loring, F. H. Banister, J. W.
Scott, P. M. Roth, Jay Terhush, F. P. Gould,
Ed. Struber, Warren Woodard, Fred Os-
burn.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE ASSOCIA-
TION.

Thomas M. Wiley, Owosso; John A. Har-
ris, Mt. Pleasant; S. B. Daboll, St. Johns;
C. H. Morse, Carson City; A. H. Heath,
Ionia.

Rev. Henry N. Strong, formerly Chap-
lain of the Fourth Michigan Infantry, died
very suddenly at St. Mark's Home, in
Grand Rapids, last Friday night, of
heart disease. He was Rector of Christ
Church (Episcopal) Adrian, when the
war broke out and resigned to go out as
Chaplain with Fourth Regiment, which
was quarantined at that place.

From Oakland.

CARLAND, Aug. 9, 1886.

Aaron Babbs, of Fairfield, died Aug. 8,
at his home, aged 66 years, three months,
and fifteen days, and will be buried in
the Elm cemetery.

Mr. H. H. Henderson, of Carland, will
leave about the 24th for the State Nor-
mal school, and a contingent there by
Henderson, of Carland.

The drought is still ruling and the corn
and potatoes will be a very light crop.
Oats should be sown early for the crops
this season are very poor.

Every body is making arrangements to
attend the grand Reunion at Owosso.

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The Agricultural College.—The

prompt and decisive action of the Board
to preserve discipline at the State Agri-
cultural College has, apparently, had the
effect to restore peace and order. The
suspended scholars are:

Wm. H. Clements, John W. Clements,
Ed. G. Eldridge, Wm. G. Erwin, Geo. S.
French, Geo. E. Naeumke, James
Hobcock, Harry E. Howe, Clarence J.
Judson, Wm. S. Lumsden, Jr., Albert L.
Nichols, Wm. E. Remmel, Geo. L.
Spangler, Wm. T. Welch, Robert A.
Whitely, Wm. E. Clark, Wm. A. Kin-
nan, Albert B. Brown.

While Myrtle Caddis, the 5-year-old
daughter of John Caddis, Superintendent
of the T. & A. R. railway, was
walking on the glass skylight in the
second story of the Harrington House,
St. Louis, it gave way and she fell to the
first floor, a distance of about 35 feet.
She fortunately escaped with a few
bruises.

WASHINGTON NEWS.

Close of the Forty-ninth Session of Con-
gress—List of Bills Passed.

Rules to Govern the Removal of Timber
From Public Lands.

The following rules and regulations govern-
ing the removal of timber from the
public lands have been promulgated from
the Interior Department:

By virtue of the power vested in the Sec-
retary of the Interior by the first section of
the act of June 4, 1878, entitled "An act
authorizing the citizens of Colorado, Nevada,
and the Territories to fell and remove tim-
ber from the public domain for mining and
domestic purposes," the following rules and
regulations are hereby prescribed:

The act applies only to the States of
Colorado, Nevada, and the Territories of
New Mexico, Arizona, Utah, Wyoming,
Dakota, Idaho, and Montana, and other
mineral districts of the United States not
otherwise provided for.

The land from which timber is felled or
removed under the provisions of the act
must be known to be strictly of mineral
character, and that it is not subject to en-
try under existing laws of the United
States except for mineral entry.

No person not a citizen or bona fide
resident of the State, Territory, or other
mineral district provided for in said act is
permitted to fell or remove timber from
public lands thereon; and no person, firm,
or corporation felling or removing timber
under this act shall sell or dispose of the
same or the lumber manufactured there-
from to any other than citizens of the bona
fide residents of the State or Territory
where such timber is cut, nor for any other
purpose than for the legitimate use of said
persons for the purposes mentioned in
said act.

Every owner or manager of a sawmill,
or other person, felling or removing timber
under the provisions of this act shall keep
a record of all timber so cut or removed,
stating time when cut, names of parties
cutting the same or in charge of the work,
and describing the land whence cut, and
legal subdivisions if surveyed, and as near
as practicable if not surveyed, with a state-
ment of the evidence upon which it is
claimed that the land is mineral in char-
acter, and stating also the kind and quality
of lumber manufactured therefrom, to-
gether with the names of parties to whom
such timber or lumber is sold, and the
purpose and for which sold, and shall
not sell or dispose of such timber or
lumber manufactured therefrom, except
taking from the purchaser a written agree-
ment that the same shall not be used ex-
cept for building agricultural, mining, or
other purposes, and that the same shall
not be used for any other purpose than
that for which it was sold, and every such
purchaser shall further be required to file with said
owner or manager a certificate under oath
that he purchases such timber or lumber
exclusively for his own use and for the
purposes aforesaid.

The books, files, and records of all
the persons felling or removing timber
under the provisions of this act shall be
removed, and selling such timber or lum-
ber, required to be kept as above men-
tioned, shall at all times be subject to the
inspection of the officers and agents of this
department.

Timber felled or removed shall be
strictly limited to building, agricultural,
mining, or other domestic purposes, and
the State or Territory wherein it grew. All
cutting of such timber for use outside the
State or Territory wherein it grew, and all
removal of such timber outside the State
or Territory wherein it is cut, are forbidden.

No person will be permitted to fell or
remove any growing tree of any kind
whatsoever less than eight inches in di-
ameter.

Persons felling or removing timber
from public lands in the United States
must utilize all of each tree cut that can
be profitably used, and must cut and re-
move the tops and brush, or dispose of the
same in such manner as to prevent the
spread of forest fires. The act under which
these rules and regulations were prescribed
provides as follows:

Any person or persons who shall
violate the provisions of this act, or any
rules and regulations in pursuance thereof
made by the Secretary of the Interior, shall
be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and
upon conviction shall be fined in any sum
not exceeding \$500, and to be imprisoned
for any term not exceeding six months.

Those rules and regulations shall take
effect Sept. 1, 1886, and all existing rules
and regulations heretofore prescribed under
this act, inconsistent herewith, are hereby
revoked.

WILLIAM A. J. SPARKS, Commissioner.
Approved AUG. 5. L. Q. C. LAMAR.

MINI-STATISTICS.

Dr. James P. Kimball, director of the
mint in his report on the production of
gold and silver in the United States during
the year 1885, estimates the production of
gold at \$1,000,000, an increase of \$1,000,000
over 1884, and the production of silver at
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The total value of bullion and coin im-
ported during the year was \$41,418,129,
of which \$3,322,900 consisted of bullion and
\$38,095,229 of coin. Of the total value of
bullion and coin imported, \$3,322,900 con-
sisted of gold and \$34,772,329 of silver.

The director estimates the amount of
gold coin in the United States on Jan. 1,
1886, to have been \$325,455,455, of silver
coins \$118,329,731, subsidiary silver \$75,038,
111—a total of \$543,823,297. Of the gold
coin the treasury held \$73,454,379 and the
national banks \$159,358,822.

The United States treasury owns (not
represented by silver certificates) \$73,358,
125 in silver dollars and the national banks
\$6,940,025.

The Washington dispatch is authority for
the statement that the president has repud-
ied of his pocket veto of the surplus resolu-
tion, and will order a bond call of \$15,000,
at once and will order the same amount
monthly for the next three months, in ac-
cordance with the provisions of the resolu-
tion. Of the first call of \$15,000,000, \$5,000,
000 are to be called on account of the sink-
ing fund.

CONGRESSIONAL.

SENATE.
Aug. 2.—The chair today pre-
sented to the senate the resolution offered by Mr.
Evarts on Saturday last requesting the
president to open correspondence with for-
eign powers on the subject of alive.

Mr. Evarts advocated the resolution, and
did not define his position upon the slave
question. The resolution went over until
to-day.

The senate then took up the habeas bill
relating to the taxation of fractional parts
of a gallon of distilled spirits; amended it
by striking the time when it shall enter
into effect from the second Monday succeeding
the month in which this act is approved, and

by extending the act of March 3, 1857, re-
lating to fruit brandy, to brandy, distilled
from apples or peaches, passed it and
voted a conference.

The senate then took up the bill relat-
ing to the finance committee to provide for
the inspection of tobacco, cigars, and
providing for their exportation to foreign
countries without payment of taxes under
certain regulations of the treasury de-
partment. It was passed.

A senate bill authorizing the construction
of a railroad bridge across the St. Louis
river between Minnesota and Wisconsin
was passed.

Another conference was ordered on the
sundry civil bill, and the senate adjourned.

After a short executive session the senate
adjourned.

Aug. 3.—The senate conferred on the
river and harbor bill reported an agreement
and after discussion the conference report
was agreed to.

The changes made in the bill, comparing
the measures reported by the conferees
with the bill as it passed the senate,
are as follows:

Increases—Harbor at Wilmington, N. C.,
from \$71,250 to \$75,000; Mississippi
river, from head of passes to the mouth of
the Ohio, from \$1,687,500 to \$2,000,000; for
survey of the Mississippi river, \$15,000 to \$20,
000; Sandy bay harbor of refuge, Massa-
chusetts, \$5,000 to \$10,000; St. Mary river,
Michigan, \$112,500 to \$150,000; James river,
Virginia, \$75,000 to \$125,000; Arkansas
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In addition all items of appropriation
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MISS NETTIE BOWMAN,
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THE OWOSSO PRESS.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 11, 1886.

A PLUCKY WILDCAT.

Whipped Two Dogs and Gave Their Master a Tussle Before It Was Killed.

Norman Fink, a hunter and trapper, who lives a short distance south of Owosso, had to go on an errand to a neighboring settlement on Monday last, writes a Scranton (Pa.) correspondent to the New York Sun. It was nearly five miles from Fink's house to the settlement, and the quickest way for him to make the journey was across the fields and through the woods on foot. Fink invariably carries his double-barreled gun with him whenever he goes on a jaunt of that kind, and if any crows or other small game get within the range of his gun, they generally acknowledge the fact that Fink is not far away by turning up their toes and lying still. All of the crows in that part of the country have got Fink's habits down to such a point that they make a bee line for the most elevated piece of woodland whenever they see Fink step from his house with his gun on his shoulder.

At about ten o'clock Fink loaded both barrels of his gun, slung his trusty weapon over his left shoulder, called his two dogs to his side, and started on his journey. One of the dogs was a large, quiet and obedient fellow, and a pretty fair hunter, while the other was a cur of low degree, whose principal ambition was to bark almost incessantly from darkness to daylight, and to run after and bark at the two or three wagons which usually passed his master's house daily. He was a good-natured cur withal, and he had the faculty of keeping more meat and other tender food from spoiling than the larger and quieter hare hunter. But he would bark on the slightest provocation, and his bark was shrill and loud, and to everyone except Mr. Fink very unpleasant indeed.

Two miles or more of Fink's journey was through a thickly-timbered forest of spruce and hemlock. He had to go about a mile before he reached the woodland. The dogs kept close to him through the open field, but as soon as he entered the forest they scampered away in search of game. The barking cur of low degree was unusually exuberant, and every bird that fluttered up from the underbrush as he skipped about was sufficient cause for him to bark like everything.

Fink kept trudging along through the woods and saw the dogs only once or twice during the next half hour. Presently he heard the small cur barking furiously. He whistled to the dog, and the only response he received was from the quiet hare hunter, who bounded out of the bushes in front of Fink to see what his master wanted of him. Fink then stopped and listened, and the incessant noise indicated to him that the cur had become stationary a few rods to the right, and that he was probably barking at some animal that he had run across by chance. Fink then hastened to the spot where the cur was barking, keeping his gun well in front of him to be ready to shoot whatever the noise he had brought to him. He found the dog at the foot of an ordinary-sized spruce tree, on a point among the ever green branches of which his eyes were fixed. Fink looked into the thick-limbed tree-top from every possible standpoint, but was unable to discover anything. The forest was so dense that only here and there were the rays of the sun to be seen from the ground, and, though Fink could not make out what the dog was barking at, he felt certain that some kind of an animal was among the limbs. The next thing he did was to take the cur by the nape of the neck and try to pull him away, but as soon as he let go the cur sprang back to the tree, and barked as though his heart would break.

Then Fink made a closer inspection, and on one of the topmost trees he thought he saw the bright eyes of an animal that was keeping very still. He peered through the limbs again, and, being almost fully satisfied that he could see an animal's head, he raised his gun and shot at it. The cur was still for a few seconds, and then he began to bark again. By this time the quiet hare hound had come up to see what was going on, but as not much was going on there except the old familiar barking of the cur, he scampered away unconcerned. As Fink was reloading the empty barrel something came spitting and sliding down through the limbs of the tree into which he had fired in a way that startled him. He jumped back involuntarily, keeping his eye fixed on the tree meanwhile, and the next thing he saw was a wounded wildcat run down the trunk of the tree and pounce upon the still barking cur. The wildcat was furious with rage, and he scratched and bit the cur before the latter had a chance to run for his life. Instead of barking, the cur now yelped and howled as though his hide was being torn off.

Before Fink could make up his mind what to do, the hair and blood flow from the head and the nose of the dog, while the wildcat kept spitting and hissing and scratching. In a short time the cur got loose from the cat and stung his bloody nose into the dead leaves and rooted around as though he was suffering intensely. Then the cat tackled him again, and was making him yelp worse than ever when Fink fired at it. The entire charge of shot went into the head of the cur, and he tumbled over and died. The wildcat then pitched at Fink, and he beat her away with the butt of his gun.

Just then the hare hunter sprang out of the bushes and looked surprised. Fink told him to take hold of the wildcat, and he grabbed it in the middle of the back and began to shake it. Before he had injured it much the cat broke loose and made the fur fly from the dog's shoulders. It was more than the dog could stand, and he ran away like a dog with a tin can tied to his tail. Fink then put a bullet through the wildcat, slung it over his shoulder and resumed his journey.

CUNEIFORM INSCRIPTIONS.

The Art of Reading Them Founded Upon a Great Deal of Ingenious Guessing.

Toward the end of the last century Prof. Grotefend, a German orientalist of Hanover, set to work to study cuneiform inscriptions. He began by just looking at them and guessing upon them. Niebuhr had already guessed a little. The marks were in three columns, so Niebuhr guessed by differences in the general appearance of the signs that they were in three different languages. He also guessed from the looks of the single strokes of the signs that these languages were all written from left to right, as we write English. And he guessed that the right hand column of the three, whose signs were less complicated than the others, was the simplest of the three languages. All these guesses were right. The inscriptions came from Persopolis, which was built by the Achaemenian kings of Persia (who ruled from about 521 to 331 B. C.), and they were found in the upper parts of the relief which seemed to represent a king or ruler of some kind. Darius and Xerxes, two other scholars, with this set of Niebuhr's guesses to begin with, had already guessed that a certain character several times repeated in the right-hand inscriptions of two of these triple sets might mean king, that certain others found with this might be the king's name.

This was the point at which Grotefend took up the questioning. He took it for granted that the guesses so far were right—viz. that probably the signs in question were the names and titles of some of the Achaemenian Persian kings. But which kings? Here he happened to think of something; he remembered some inscriptions whose position and arrangement was somewhat analogous to these in hand—inscriptions in Pehlevi, a dialect of old Persian, already deciphered, and known to be of the Sassanid dynasty, a much later one. He translated the beginning of one of these, and he said: "Perhaps my supposed Achaemenid kings arranged the beginning of their inscriptions as my known Sassanid king did his. If so, my Achaemenid words in the first two lines are these:

[Somebody,] the great king, the king of kings, Son of King [Somebody,] of the family of Achaemenes.

Then he looked about for a fact to fit his guessing. "What two Achaemenid kings were father and son?" he asked himself. "Cyrus and Cambyses were; but my two names do not begin with the same sign, and therefore can not mean the same persons. My guesses were right, but the sign which ought to mean Cyrus is rather too long in proportion, and that which would be Artaxerxes too short. Darius and Xerxes were—that will do," and Grotefend filled in his blanks, conjecturally, thus:

And then Grotefend observed a detail which immensely strengthened his conviction that his guess was correct. It was this: He had been working over two of the inscriptions which came from near each other, and were probably, he thought, not unconnected. The two initial lines were similar in these two inscriptions, except for one variation, which was: In one inscription the sign for king was with the name of the father mentioned; in the other not; and the son of this non-royal father in one inscription was the royal father of the royal son in the other. Now this exactly suited his guess of Darius and Xerxes; for Xerxes the king was son of Darius the king, whereas Darius the king was son of Hystaspes, who was not a king; and Grotefend now confidently wrote down the dozen or so letters which he extracted from his four names—Xerxes, Darius, Hystaspes, Achaemenes.

The key to the cuneiform inscriptions was found, although Grotefend himself, in consequence of not knowing enough about other oriental languages, never got much beyond this first step.

"Cuneiform" describes the way in which the single strokes are made in this method of writing, just as we call a style of writing back-handed or a style of type full faced. It does not refer to the language, nor even to the alphabet, but (so to speak) to the penmanship. Each stroke of each letter in a "cuneiform" inscription is a cuneiform or wedge-shaped stroke. Instead of this word, these strokes have been termed nail-shaped, arrow-headed, swallow-tailed, all of which terms, describe the same characteristic.

You can easily make a pen for cuneiform writing. Take a four-square-ended stick of wood, say eight inches long and three-quarters of an inch through. A four-square desk-ruler will do as well as a compass and end for writing, holds your pen. Instead of paper, take some soft, well-worked brick-clay and spread it on a board into a tablet or flat plate, say a foot square and an inch or two thick. Hold your pen at a low angle, nearly horizontal, with a corner of one end pointing downward over the clay, and make strokes in the clay say an inch long, with a dab, a slight lift, and a draw, holding a light blow into the clay, and drawing the pen toward the right, and you will make "cuneiform" strokes. There seems to be reason to suppose that instead of this method by a dab and a draw the strokes were (probably afterward) made by a direct stamp, like a type. In stone the strokes had, of course, to be cut.—*Overland Monthly.*

One of the most popular men in New York is Mr. Charles Delmonico. He is a man with a singularly charming manner, unpretentious and agreeable, and is popular enough to run for alderman-at-large, and gather in the votes of the entire city. As may readily be supposed Mr. Delmonico, with a fortune of nearly \$2,000,000, a distinguished appearance, and all of the characteristics of a thorough man of the world, is a figure of some consequence in New York. His acquaintance is very large, but he will hardly ever go into the political arena. All of his family have carefully shunned that.

The broker is never so happy as when he can say Good Buy.

HERMIT JOE.

The Story of a Pennsylvania Farmer Lad Who Was Disappointed in Love.

There occasionally appears in Pittsburgh an old man with sad eyes and long white hair and beard, whose peculiar grab and settee always attracts attention. In answer to a question by a *Chronicle-Telegram* reporter, a gentleman said that the old man was Hermit Joe.

"I was up in the mountains hunting last fall," said the gentleman, "where he leads a hermit life, and learned his history. It is over thirty years since the romance of his life began. His father had a small farm a little this side of the mountains, and Joe tilled the soil until long after his majority. His was the old story of falling in love with a young girl, whose father was what would be called a magnate in that section years ago. The girl's friends would not listen to her marrying Joe because he was poor, and the engagement was broken off."

"Joe used to ponder over the fact that the marriage was prevented solely because he was poor. But for months he plodded along doing the drudgery of the farm work as though he had abandoned all thoughts of wedding the girl whom he loved."

"Suddenly he mysteriously disappeared. No one knew whether he was gone for months after his disappearance. One day a party of hunters who had known him discovered him living in a hut up in the mountains, a hundred miles from his father's farm. He was morose and silent, refusing to say why he had left the life of a recluse, and merely telling his former friends that he was satisfied to live in his hut and gain a meagre subsistence by hunting and fishing. All efforts to induce him to return and give up his strange mode of existence were unavailing, and he seemed gratified when his friends turned away and left him at the door of his gloomy hut, gazing dreamily down the mountain side. His friends returned home and related their meeting with Joe. His farcical mode of living was a subject of gossip for a couple of weeks, and then he was again forgotten."

"But Joe's romance was only half begun," continued the gentleman. "Early one morning in the spring, two years after he had left home, he suddenly reappeared. He was a different man. He had sold a lot of skins he had cured, was well dressed, and seemed to fairly beam with happiness."

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in the world—he exultantly said, and whispered to the jeweler that at last he could wed the girl for whom he had labored incessantly for two years, showing away his gold nuggets.

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3d. All Teas will be from **5 to 10c** lower.

4th. I have on account of the decline, purchased a few chests of **GENUINE VIOLET GARDEN TEA**. Heretofore these teas have been too high.

This Tea is now on exhibition at my store, and is a **SIGHT OF BEAUTY**, as well as a marvel of rosy fragrance. My customers are invited to come in and take home a drawing for Sunday.

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6th. We have in reserve **75** chests of Standards, all guaranteed for the whole season at prices that we can furnish the trade by the chest, for consumers by the pound, **10** pounds or **20** pounds, as low as any house in the State. This we guarantee.

7th. I have always led in Teas and intend to continue and on its merits.

8th. **BIG BONANZA** has been a great success; we still continue to present a handsome tea can to every first purchase. This tea will be sprinkled with the new 1886 crop after this date, and goes at **35c**, 3 pounds for **\$1.50**, 3000 pounds we want to sell in the next four months. Call for Big Bonanza Tea.

Our **40c** tea will be same as **50c** of last year.

Our Violet New Dust, at **25c**, delicious.

Our **20** cent we warrant good.

Lastly we wish it understood that my teas are bought at wholesale dealers' prices in one hundred chest lots, and we take no chances as all are warranted for six months; what we say to dealers or consumers we guarantee to make good, and that is, that our scale of prices shall be way down, and our goods as represented always. Call for **Violet** if you want the best **50c** Tea in the State. **Big Bonanza** if you want a good first-class tea and a bargain. **No. 1 Garden** if you want to match 50 cent tea for **40c** a pound. **Violet Garden** if you want the best tea ever shown in Shiawassee County. And now we're ready, come on. xxiv44

C. C. DUFF,
Main Street, Owosso.

TO CONSUMERS.
I HAVE ABOUT

40,000 CIGARS

More than I want, and I propose to offer them to smokers at wholesale prices as below:

"La Carolina," not a high priced 5c Cigar, but a genuine 10 cent cigar, I will sell for 5c
Solid Havana Cheroots, "large," 10 for 35c
Korkers, 5 cents, 10 for 30c
Sam Scotts, 10 for 60c
Lady Jane, 10 for 25c
Silk Ties, very fine, 10 for 35c
Peacock, Thistle Dew & Silver Ark, 10 for 20c

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MILLINERY

Splendid stock! Latest styles.
Prices to suit Everybody.

---MRS. C. L. HARRINGTON.---

COAL! --- COAL!

---CALL ON---

E. M. BROOKS

And get prices on COAL before purchasing. All coal is weighed; no measuring or guess work; will screen coal if wanted. **Prices Guaranteed.**

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DETROIT, GRAND HAVEN & MILWAUKEE
RAILROADS
FOLLOWING SCHEDULES:

St. Louis, Mo., 10:00 a.m. Mon. 1:45 p.m.
Evening Express, 7:30 p.m. Tues. 10:00 a.m.
Milwaukee, Wis., 10:00 a.m. Mon. 1:45 p.m.
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MICHIGAN CENTRAL RAILROAD
FOLLOWING SCHEDULES:
Grand Haven, Mich., 10:00 a.m. Mon. 1:45 p.m.
Evening Express, 7:30 p.m. Tues. 10:00 a.m.

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SUNDAY, AUGUST 15, 1896.

MONDAY, AUGUST 16, 1896.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 17, 1896.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 18, 1896.

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GRAND CONCERTS.

Wesener's New Hall, Aug. 12 & 13.

On Thursday and Friday evenings of

this week the lovers of superior music

will have an opportunity to enjoy the

taste at the opening of W. Wesener's New

Hall in the Wesener Block. The well

known musical skill of the Director

Prof. Appel, of Detroit, insures an artistic

entertainment, and the high positions of

the artists—Herr Anton Streleke, world

renowned pianist; Mr. W. Yunk, cele

brated Vienna violinist and tenor; the

Prima Donna, Madam Yunk, leading

soprano of Italian opera—make an artistic

attraction which musical people can

not afford to lose. See advertisement in

this paper. Program and tickets at Hol

man's.

To-night's Great Laugh.

The Opera House will contain a merry

audience this evening drawn hither to

witness the famous laughter producing

comedy, "Skipped by the Light of the

Moon," a play that can lay claim to the

largest and most successful run of all the

funny plays ever produced, and which is

everywhere greeted by crowded audi

ences who receive the comic situations

of the play with shrieks of laughter and

enthusiastic applause. The New York

Times says:

The dialogue fairly bubbles with puns,

but said a number of the pieces really

capital; the action of the piece is very

rapid, and in the second act, where the

two principals are chased by a policeman

about and through an oyster shanty on

the lawn at Saratoga, the business and

the execution are worthy the best in

vention of the Hulton Brothers in "Le

Voyage en Suisse." It is in this con

stant change of action and rapidity of

movement, that the interest of the

audience is never allowed to cease and

seldom to flag.

See advertisement.

First—Saturday evening, about nine

o'clock, fire broke out in a large shed

covering one of the brick kilns at J. &

H. Frieseke's brick and tile yard. When

the kilns began to play upon it the fire

was soon subdued, and lively work was

done on the surrounding property—lum

ber, piles of wood, etc. The damage was

about \$100, entirely to the shed. No

brick was damaged.

REGISTRATION DAY next Saturday, Aug.

14.

In accordance with instructions of

the Council to prosecute owners and

keepers of houses of ill-fame, City At

torney Turner last week entered complaint

against keepers of two houses, Urb Lee

and his wife Ella, and Wesley D. Foster

and wife Frankie, who were arrested and

brought before Justice Taylor. Result:

The Lees are fined \$50 and costs, making

\$86 in all; the Fosters \$25 and costs.

Miss Louise Bateman, who has held

a fine position as photographer for the

manufacturing chemists, Parke, Davis &

Co., Detroit, is to accompany her broth

er, Manager Sheldon Bateman, as secre

tary and treasurer of his theatrical com

pany. They leave Detroit next Monday

for the east. Their mother accompanies

them. Sheldon Bateman's wife, Victory

Bateman, is a beautiful accomplished ac

tress.

NOTICE.

All the dry goods and clothing stores

in Owosso will close at 8:30 p. m., stand

ard time, during the three nights of the

Reunion.

A Request—The ladies of the County

W. C. T. U. request all who have flowers

to spare to bring them to the headquar

ters of the Women's Relief Corps, on the

encampment ground, any day of the Reu

nion.

A grand stand is being erected on

the ground facing the field used for

parades and prize drills; capable of seat

ing several hundred persons. Persons

wishing to see the prize drill and the

sham battle will find the best place

to get a good view of the same. An ad

mission fee will be charged to pay ex

penses.

Rev. D. W. Shatt, preached in the

Presbyterian Church at Jackson last Sun

day morning and evening, and at 2:30 p.

m. in the Congregational Church at

Michigan Center, four miles east of the

city. At noon he visited the State Pri

son and had a brief interview with Char

ley Drake, of Owosso, inmate of the in

stitution. Drake is in good health

and spirits, his record is good, and he

is looking hopefully toward his re

lease one year hence. Drake had

the pleasure of making, with a number

of persons well known in Owosso,

among them were Mr. Fred Briggs, Mr.

Jud VanDusen, Frank Cherry, Mrs. W.

P. Heaton, and others. Mrs. Heaton's

husband is publisher of the Jackson

Daily Evening Courier.

Mr. Otto Josenhans showed us, on

Monday, a beautiful sample of cap honey

from his apiary. It was made by the

industrious little bees in a circular glass

cover. In six divisions spreading from

the center, containing in all about

six pounds of honey—an exquisite

piece of workmanship which human

hands could but poorly imitate.

Flint Democrat—The Flushing Com

mandery of Knight Templars royally

entertained the Cornua Commandery,

and the K. T. Band of Owosso, and their

ladies, on Wednesday. The whole vil

lage participated in the festivities of the

occasion, and the Cornua Knights are

unanimous in testifying to the hospita

bilities of their Flushing brother

Knights.

Notice in this paper of letting of drain

contract, by Commissioner Harshbarger,

N. BALL, P. M.

Owosso Welcomes the Soldiers.

Preparations were commenced last

week to celebrate the 23d anniversary of

the signing of the Declaration of Inde

pendence. The celebration will be cele

brated with a series of exercises, and

the artists are being secured for the

celebration. The Cornua Commandery

of Owosso, the Cornua Commandery

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Now is the time to secure BARGAINS in

DRY GOODS & CARPETS.

BROWN & MAHANEY

Are bound to lead in low prices. We have cut deep on everything of a summer nature, and we are willing to compare prices with any other house in the State. We hold no humbug special sales, but sell goods every day at

ROCK-BOTTOM PRICES.

Our trade has been on the increase since the first day we opened in Owosso, which goes to show what square dealing and low prices will do. Don't buy a dollar's worth of DRY GOODS or CARPETS until you have seen our stock and prices, and we will convince you that we are doing just what we advertise, and goods as represented every time or money refunded. No trouble to show goods, and one price to all. Hoping to see you, we remain yours to please.

BROWN & MAHANEY,

The Dry Goods Hustlers of Owosso, Mich.

NO. 1 WESENER BLOCK.

WALL PAPERS.

GREAT BARGAINS at G. W. LORING & SON'S.

10,000 ROLLS JUST RECEIVED.

These goods were bought at from twenty-five to fifty per cent cheaper than regular rates; therefore we do not propose to give them away, but instead divide the profits with our customers. These are all brand new goods, and first-class. Look at the following prices:

Brown Blanks, 7 1/2 to 9 cents per roll.
White Blanks, 9 to 12 1/2 cents per roll.
Satin, 15 to 20 cents per roll.
Micas, 16 to 22 1/2 cents per roll.
Gold, 25 to 30 cents per roll.

Also a large stock of WINDOW SHADES and FIXTURES.
G. W. LORING & SON.
STATIONERY, &c., constantly on hand.

SILKS.

Lovely and soft are these beautiful shades; the very latest of the hour. Silks that will not muss, guaranteed all pure silk, to be

SLAUGHTERED

69c-Sixty-Nine-69c
Worth \$1 per yard.

BLACK GROS GRAIN SILK.

One of the best assorted stocks of Black Gros Grain Silk ever brought to the city. Rich in depth of color, elegant soft finish, and guaranteed with written guarantee to wear well and not crack. The best Black Silk ever offered at 88cts, guaranteed.

La Favoretta.

The most reliable brand silk manufactured.

MUSLIN UNDERWEAR.

Our new stock just too lovely for any use. Ladies, do not fail to inspect this elegant stock of fine wear, made in the most exquisite style and pattern; your every taste will be gratified.

CARPETS.

One of the largest and best assorted stocks of Carpets in the city. Lowells, Hartfords in Ingrain, the very best goods kept.

D. M. CHRISTIAN,

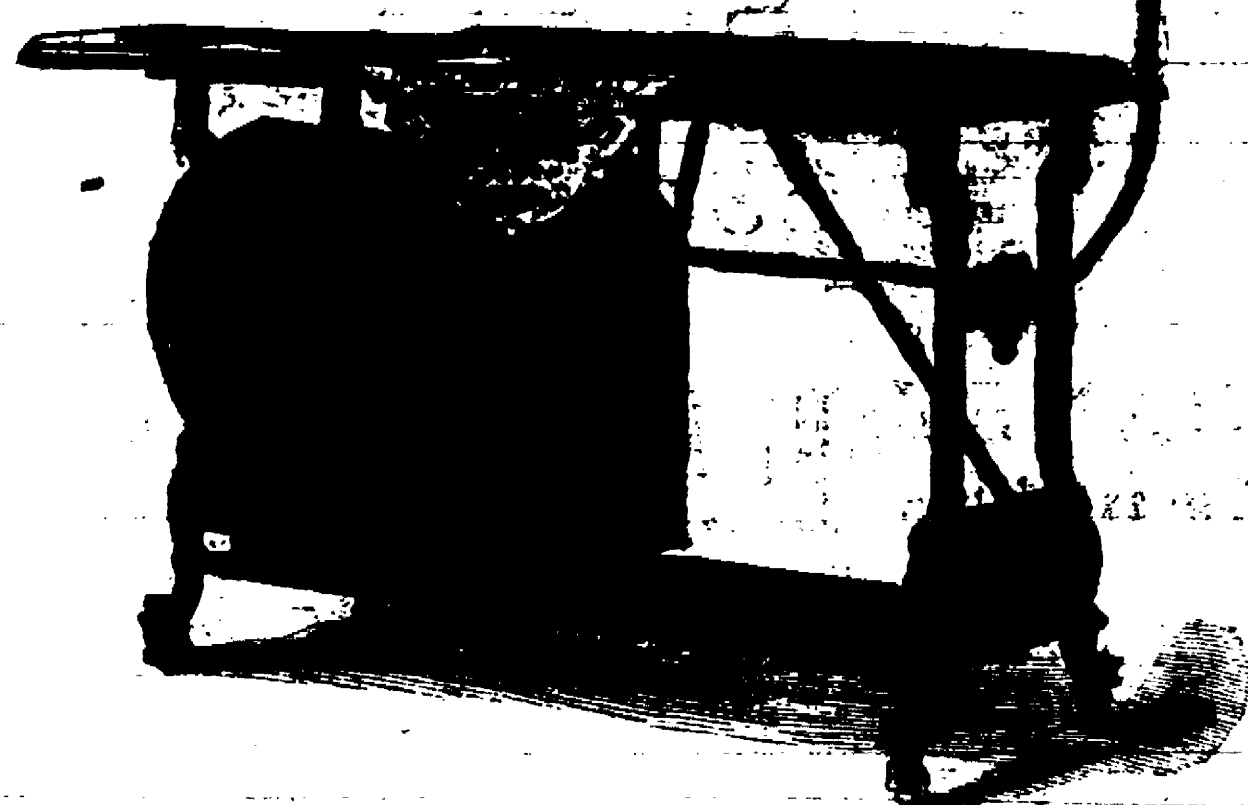
MAIN STREET, OWOSSO.

The Hull Vapor Cook Stove.

Has the Longest Tried, Strongest and Simplest Burners in the world.

HOUSEKEEPERS' IDEAL.

Four Blue Fires from One Generator.
Fixed Oven Underneath.



Safety Reservoirs for all Stoves. Thorough, Scientific-Principled Burners of their own original construction, combining every feature of Utility and Convenience.

For Efficiency, Convenience and Economy Hull's Vapor Cook Stoves have created a greater revolution in the methods of cooking than any other stove ever produced.

Summer Specialties:--Lawn Mowers, Ice Cream Freezers, Screen Windows, Refrigerators, Screen Doors, Ice Tongs and Picks. Sole ag'ts for the celebrated

SHERWIN-WILLIAMS PAINTS.

If you wish to beautify your homes at a small cost, use them. They are guaranteed to cover one-third more surface, wear longer, look better than any other paints in the market. Sold only by

GEO. E. THOMPSON & CO.,

Washington Street, Owosso

THE OWOSSO PRESS.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 11, 1886.

CITY MARKETS.

CORRECTED WEEKLY BY F. DECKER.
WEDNESDAY, AUG. 11, 1886.
BUTTER—11 1/2
EGGS—10c
LARD—Dull at 7c
HONEY—Steady at 13c
FLOUR—Patent Roller \$5.50; Roller, \$4.75; Standard, \$4.00
MEAT—Fine Boiled, 100 lbs., 1.50
CORN MEAL—\$1.25
FEED—100 lbs., \$1.25
POULTRY—Dressed chickens, at 8c
TALLOW—Down to 3c
HAY—\$6
HIDES—Green, 6c; Dry, 15c
WOOD—Ranges from 125 to 200, according to quality
CORN—Shelled 45; in ear, at 20c
BEANS, at 50c—dull
NEW POTATOES—40c
BARLEY—\$1.35 to 1.50 per 100 lbs.
OATS—\$2.45
DRESSED HOGS, at \$5.00c.25
WHEAT—\$2.70
ONIONS—at 90c per bu.
DRIED APPLES—Plum, at 3c.

HIGHEST CASH PRICE PAID FOR Hides, Pelts, Tallow and Fur AT THE TANNERY.

14 ABERLE & CO.
J. H. Goetzen,
HERRMANT TAILOR,
DEALERS IN
Hats and Caps,
Ready Made Clothing,
AND
GENTS FURNISHING GOODS
EXCHANGE STREET, OWOSSO.

LOST—On the road between Owosso and Mr. B. Hardy's in Bennington Township, a bundle consisting of three pillows and one comfortable, pinned up in a quilt. Any one finding the same will be suitably rewarded by leaving at THE PRIZE office or addressing R. R. CHAFFIN, Pittsburg, Shawansee county, Mich.

Kickapoo Indian Medicines for sale at PARKILL & SON'S.

Finlay's Toledo Lager sold at the new saloon next door south of Coopers meat market.

Notice of Letting Drain Contract.

Public Notice is hereby given that on the 14th day of August, A. D. 1886, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at the House of C. H. Hibbard, in the town of Bennington in the county of Shiawassee, I will be present for the purpose of letting contracts for the construction of a drain in said township, described as follows: Commencing at a point situated 2 1/2 miles west and 50 links north of the south quarter post of section No. 34 in town 7, north of range 2 east, Owosso, said point being witnessed by a soft maple 14 inches in diameter bearing north 40 1/2° west 29 links distant, from thence running north 40 1/2° west 30 chains, thence north 47 1/2° west 4 chains, thence north 95° west 4 chains, thence north 60° west 8 chains, said ditch to be 12 feet wide on the bottom and to have a slope of one foot to one foot on each side, and then at that time I will let contracts for the construction of said drain by sections, to the lowest responsible bidder or bidders. Also take notice that such contracts, be present to review all assessment of benefits upon the lands upon which said drain is to be constructed, and assessed for the construction thereof. Dated at Owosso, this 28th day of July, A. D. 1886. JAMES W. OCKENMAN, Township Drain Commissioner for the Township of Owosso, in the county of Shiawassee.

Probate Order.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, COUNTY OF SHIWAESSEE, IN a session of the Probate Court for said County, held at the Probate Office, in the City of Owosso, on Thursday the 29th day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-six.

Present, A. A. HARPER, Judge of Probate. In the matter of the estate of William E. Merrill, a minor, William A. Merrill, Guardian of said minor, comes into Court and represents that he is now prepared to render 15th annual account as such Guardian.

Thereupon it is ordered, that Thursday, the 19th day of August, next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, be assigned for exhibiting and allowing such account, and that the heirs and law of said minor, notified all persons claiming an interest 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 Owosso, in said county, and show cause, if any there be, why the said account should not be allowed. And it is further ordered, that said Guardian give notice to the persons interested in said estate, of the pendency of said account, 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, twice, successively, to wit: on the 28th day of July, and on the 4th day of August, 1886. (A true copy.) A. A. HARPER, Judge of Probate.

CLASS in Fancy Work for Girls, every Saturday afternoon, from 2 to 4 o'clock, by Mrs. N. Ball, at her residence, east Exchange street.

Plum-ba-go-line sold by F. H. BANNER, Wesener Block.

Reduction Sale!

Refrigerators :- and Ice Boxes.

We will sell Refrigerators and Ice Boxes for the next 30 days at less than manufacturers' prices. We propose to carry none over if prices will close them.

Also a few Gasoline Stoves at your own price, as we wish to close out this line. Now is your time to buy. Our line of HARDWARE is complete, and builders who consult their interests will come and see us before buying. We can and will make prices lower than the lowest.

HOPKINS & GOULD

Main Street, Owosso.

Ho! Everybody!

ESPECIALLY FARMERS!

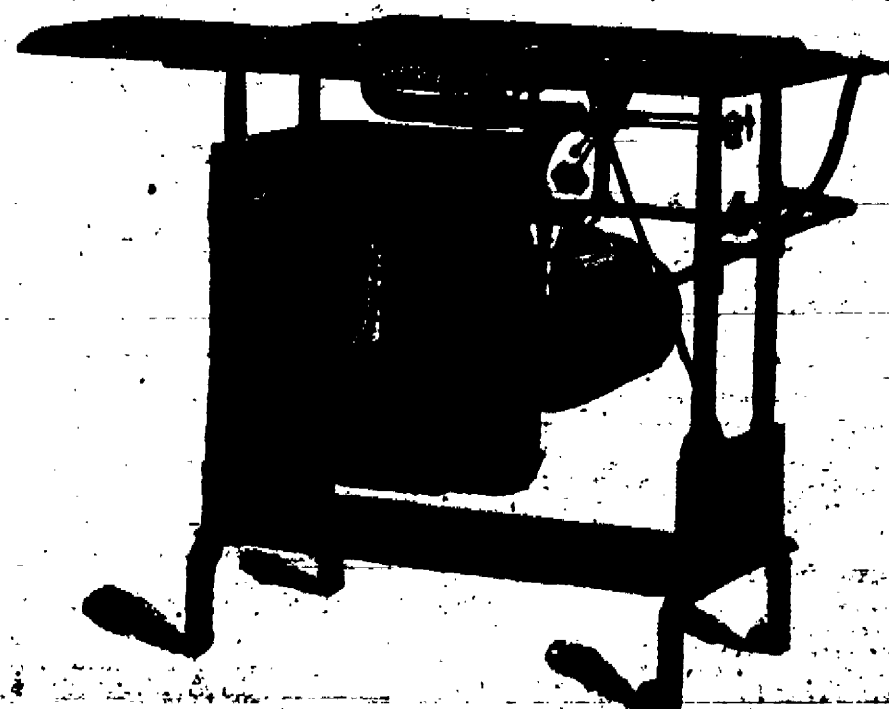
You often see the announcement Closing Out Sale, but if you will call on us during the next 30 days we will guarantee to surprise you. Our pump business, both wholesale and retail, is increasing to such an extent that we must make more room, therefore we will sell off our present stock of Grain Drills, Steel Harrows, Cultivators, Plows, Land Rollers, Wagons, Buggies, &c., at prices that will astonish you. And when you come to see us we will show you the finest line of pump goods ever seen in Michigan.

OUR NEW STANDARD FORCE PUMP with hose attachment, is the neatest thing out. Come and see it and be convinced.

HARTSHORN, NYSEWANDER & CO.

OWOSSO, MICH.

The JEWELL VAPOR STOVE



Wonder of the World, the Best Out. The Alaska Refrigerator, Ice Cream Freezers, Wire Belling for hen parks, &c., Steel Buggy Tires, Buggy Rollers, Pole Shafts, &c. A large line of Rubber Belting from 1/4 in. to 6 in. always in stock, and sold at Bottom Prices. Rubber, Hemp and Asbestos Steam Packing, Brass and Iron Steam Fittings, the largest line in the city. Challenge Engine Oil, Eldorado Motor Machine Oil, Capitol City Cylinder Oil, Baydel's Best Paints, the finest out; the only place where you can buy Wright & Lowther's Old Process Linseed Oil, the genuine article, and good goods, at

P. FAUTH'S, OWOSSO.

BARGAINS! MILLINERY AND FANCY GOODS

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