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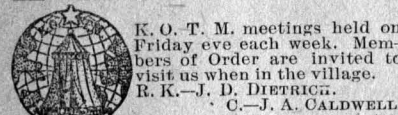
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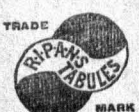
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NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES.

BOWEN'S MILLS.

Vean Bechtel of Grand Rapids is visiting friends in this locality.

Arthur Duell and brother, merchants of Bradley Station, came over on a tandem or a double header wheel last Sunday and called on Bert Armstrong and together took in a grand sail on the lake.

People for miles come to this locality to pick huckleberries and it is said there will be plenty for two weeks yet.

Miss Ruggles and Miss Smith of Prairieville visited the latter part of last week with Mrs. Bert Armstrong.

Dr. Ferguson, son and lady of Grand Rapids were in this vicinity last Sunday.

Rob Garrett of your township was seen on our streets last Sunday evening riding out with his best girl, one of our highly esteemed young ladies.

Gee Whew! Wonders will never cease. Rumor and Grand Rapids papers have it that Jerry Boynton and company have contracted for two large lake boats that will carry trains across Lake Michigan and that work will commence immediately to build the railroad. We have no confidence in this report, but hope it is true.

That buggy collision which brought on a lawsuit as was expected, we understand was settled in a way that didn't pan out very well for the plaintiff.

Frequent showers are booming vegetation and crops of all kinds.

What was intended for a democratic convention turned out to be a great silver hoodlum mob convention, so said by leading democrat papers. Now, Mr. Editor, where did this silver craze spring from? As most people understand it, from those men directly and indirectly interested in silver mines; and why? Is it because they want our government to put its stamp on a silver dollar that is only worth about fifty-five cents as actual value in standard money? Now, who is benefited? It looks as though those interested in silver mines for I fail to see how it can be of any benefit to the people. We all know that for the past thirty years no nation in the world has had any better or as good a money as these United States. Since the wild cat currency went out of date and greenbacks took its place I think we, as a nation, have reason to feel proud of our standard money. This being the case, why not let well enough alone and not vote for an uncertainty when we have a certainty in the money we have and the laws governing the same. I hope your readers will give this money question some thought before casting their votes.

Neal Patterson of Shelbyville, a former resident of this place, is shaking hands with friends and visiting his sister, Mrs. Frank Ellsworth.

CALEDONIA CULLINGS.

Frank Judson of LaBarge returned last week from Wabash, Ind., where he has been working.

Miss Carrie Gless returned from Chicago last Friday. She has been visiting relatives there for several weeks.

A. R. Colborn of Michigan City, Ind., called on his brother John last week.

Dan Good and wife of Pittsburg, Pa., J. O. Seibert and wife and Misses Huelster and Maud Kennedy of Grand Rapids have been visiting relatives in the village. The entire party are now enjoying an outing at Gun Lake.

Irving Woodworth, acting sheriff of Kent Co., was in the village Tuesday.

Mrs. Jane Towsley is visiting friends at Harbor Springs. She will remain there about two months.

Alfred Newman and C. F. Beeler were re-elected school trustees for three and two years respectively, Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Carmody attended the funeral of Mrs. Carmody's mother, Mrs. Kelley, in Grand Rapids Monday.

Mrs. Harriet Becker left for Benzie Co. Wednesday on an extended visit with her daughter.

We are anxious to do a little good in this world and can think of no pleasanter or better way to do it than by recommending One Minute Cough Cure as a preventive of pneumonia, consumption and other serious lung troubles that follow neglected colds. Dr. Nelson Abbott.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Name and Residence. Age.
William DePriester, Orangeville; Florence Shafer, same. 23—18
Adelbert E. Robinson, Rutland; Mary D. Still, Hastings city. 34—27

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EAST CALEDONIA.

Mrs. Dan Lewis and son of Lowell visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Tobey, last week.

Charley Trask starts for Kansas this week where he will visit his parents.

Willie Streeter of Coopersville was visiting friends in this neighborhood last week.

Charley Maples of Caledonia worked at L. C. Rathbun's last week.

Mr. Ross Rathbun and wife of Caledonia visited at Charley Rathbun's Sunday.

Mrs. Maggie Adams and daughter of Petoskey visited her cousin, Mrs. Hattie Rathbun last week.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Rathbun Sunday with the latter's brother, Frank Streeter, and family of Whitneyville.

Mrs. Clarence Dutcher has returned from visiting her sister at Ada.

G. C. Baker spent a few days in Grand Rapids last week.

Mrs. G. C. Baker, who has been visiting on the farm has returned to Grand Rapids.

Last summer one of our grandchildren was sick with a severe bowel trouble. Our doctor's remedies had failed, then we tried Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, which gave very speedy relief. We regard it as the best medicine ever put on the market for bowel complaints. Mrs. E. G. Gregory, Fredericktown, Mo. This certainly is the best medicine ever put on the market for dysentery, summer complaint, colic and cholera infantum in children. It never fails to give prompt relief when used in reasonable time and the plain printed directions are followed. Many mothers have expressed their sincere gratitude for the cures it has effected. For sale by J. W. Armstrong, druggist. 27-5

IRVING INKLINGS.

The Epworth League will be lead next Sunday evening by Miss Jennie Smith with subject, "The Groups and Characteristics of the Twelve." A good attendance is desired.

The sermon last Sabbath at the Congregational church telling the husbands how to manage their wives was very much enjoyed by all the men, and ladies too, to judge by the smiles in speaking of it after it was over. Expect the one to wives next Sabbath will be fully as interesting. Come and hear. One week from next Sunday, July 26, "Daughters" will be the subject.

Rev. H. Appleton will take his vacation through the month of August. He has, however, arranged that his pulpit be filled during that time. Prof. Ellis of Olivet will be here the first Sabbath and Jesse Cobb of Middleville the second. Let us give them a full house.

Mr. John Robertson left Wednesday noon for New York where he expects to arrive Thursday, will spend the time between then and Saturday a. m. with his cousin, Walter Dickinson, when he will board the great ocean steamer, Campania, bound for Liverpool. Expects to arrive there next Thursday. Five days, nine hours and six minutes is the time allowed for the trip. That he may have a pleasant and safe voyage and good health is the wish of his many friends left behind.

Mr. Joe Adams has work in Hastings.

Miss Manda Poff is in Hastings for a few weeks.

Mrs. Grant Hendershott and children left Wednesday for their new home in Grand Rapids. They will be sorely missed here in Irving.

John Chambers and wife came from the city Monday for a short vacation.

A CROWNING SUCCESS.

C. E. DeVos, editor of the Cooper-ville (Mich.) Observer, is a worthy example of what push and energy, with keen business propensities, will accomplish. In a conversation with your correspondent, Mr. DeVos said: "I was born in Keene, Canada, in 1855. In 1857 I migrated with my parents to Pella, Iowa, received a common school education, drifted into the printing business, and removed to Battle Creek, Mich., where I became foreman in the large printing house of Gage & Son. I recently purchased the paper of which I am now editor. My life work has been very confining and exacting and as a result, my health gave out and I broke down with nervous exhaustion and sleeplessness. I was in such a condition that I could not sleep until completely worn out, my appetite failed me and I had to choke down what little I did eat. About two months ago my attention was directed to Dr. Wheeler's Nerve Vitalizer and I concluded to try it. It had a wonderful effect on me; in a few nights I was able to get all the sleep needed, my appetite returned and became as ravenous as a wolf's, my weight increased twelve pounds, my mind became clear and active, in fact, I was restored to health and I look and feel an entirely different man." Inquiry and observation has proved Dr. Wheeler's Nerve Vitalizer to be a truly wonderful cure for all nerve troubles, such as nervous prostration, spasms, fits, mental depression, exhausted vitality, dependency and sexual general debility. For sale by J. W. Armstrong. 25-5

LEIGHTON LOCALS.

Mrs. Geo. Johnson and children of St. Joseph are the guests of her mother, Mrs. S. J. Weber.

Mrs. J. Clark has been quite sick for the past few days.

John Sebring of Grand Rapids is calling on friends here.

Miss Mary Thede is entertaining a young lady friend from Detroit.

Quite a large audience listened to the lecture by Paul Voelker, Sunday evening at the Evangelical church, and all pronounced it sound and good.

Miss Wightman of Grand Rapids is visiting her uncle, Mr. John Smith.

A. L. McDowell's house is being repainted, which adds much to its improvement. Mr. F. Markham of Big Rapids is doing the work.

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PARMELEE PICKINGS.

A number from Parmelee will attend the picnic in Mr. White's grove next Friday.

The most of the farmers in this vicinity have their wheat in the stacks. West of the station we notice considerable standing in the field.

David Perault and family, accompanied by Mrs. John Trumble and family of Mecosta county made calls on East Church st. Saturday evening.

James Skain of Grand Rapids is visiting Charlie Parmelee this week.

The Methodist people and S. S. scholars contemplate having a picnic in the near future. Campau lake seems to be the head center with the school at present.

Mrs. Wallie Watson, who has been very ill for some time and under the care of a physician, is getting some better at this writing.

Thomas W. Ronan of Wall st. notoriety was in Parmelee last Friday afternoon on business. He expressed himself on the various topics of the day and commented on the deplorable condition of the country, but didn't peep a word in reference to the crime of 1873.

Miss Ethel Russell, who is a very accomplished teacher, closed a successful term of school in the Russell district last Friday. Perry Barnum and Zua McDowell being the prize winners for being in attendance every day.

We hear from good authority today that Mr. John Moxon of Grand Rapids st. has recently been afflicted with a stroke of paralysis.

William Kermeen and wife of Gaines (Kent Co.) visited with John Kermeen's people of this place last Sunday.

There seems to be no end to the huckleberry crop in Cutler's swamp in East Thornapple. People are going in loads the same as they did three weeks ago and all report that the swamp is still full of them.

Since the recent rains people here are sowing buckwheat, millet and turnips.

Old Mr. McOmber of north county line has the finest showing for an abundant crop of cucumbers we have seen this year 1/2 acre and are looking very promising.

J. S. Miller of North Windmill st. has recently purchased a new Champion binder which is doing nicer work than machines of a later date.

Quite a number of the Caledonia gentry with their lady friends were riding on our streets last Sunday.

Our friend and neighbor, Mr. Thomas Tungate, is very deserving of sympathy while he is suffering from a recent attack of inflammatory rheumatism which confines him to the bed.

Skiff and Hineckley, who have been doing some haying in Leighton have returned and we hear that the mill will soon run again.

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Send your address to H. E. Bucklin & Co., Chicago, and get a free sample box of Dr. King's New Life Pills. A trial will convince you of their merits. These pills are easy in action and are particularly effective in the cure of constipation and sick headache. For malaria and liver troubles they have been proved invaluable. They are guaranteed to be perfectly free from every deleterious substance and to be purely vegetable. They do not weaken by their action, but by giving tone to stomach and bowels greatly invigorate the system. Regular size 25c per box. Sold by J. W. Armstrong, druggist. 4

BRYAN THE VICTOR

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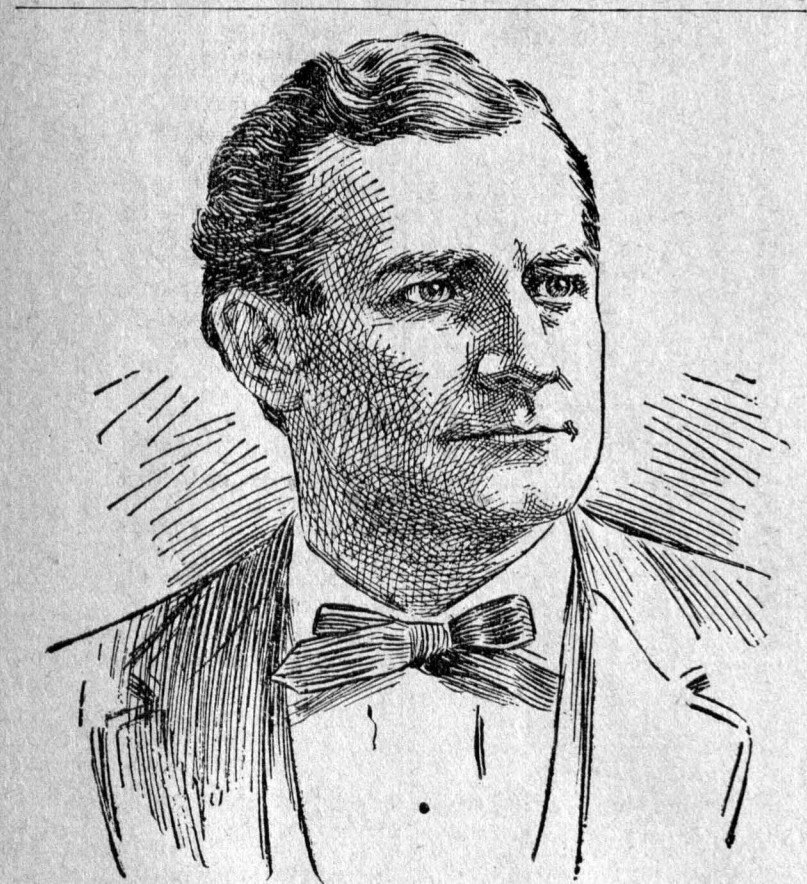
Great Democratic Gathering at Chicago Indulges in a Battle Royal—Four Michigan Gold Delegates Unseated—Majority and Minority Platforms Presented—Debate by Party Leaders—Hot and Noisy Night Session—Wild Throwing in the Coliseum—Convention Scenes and Incidents.

William Jennings Bryan, of Nebraska, was nominated for the Presidency by the Democratic national convention amid scenes of the wildest enthusiasm. The result was reached Friday afternoon on the fifth ballot. When the result of the deciding ballot was announced the vast concourse that filled the Coliseum burst into a storm of cheering and applause that made the great girders of the building tremble. Standing on chairs and climbing on one another's shoulders, the people yelled and shrieked and waved hats, canes and handkerchiefs. Swept away by such enthusiasm, nearly all the delegates joined in the wonderful demonstration, whether they had voted for the "boy orator of the Platte" or not.

There were but few demonstrations before the convention was rapped to order Friday morning. The leaders came in quietly. At 10:57 Chairman White of California called the convention to order. Rev. Dr. Green offered prayer. Chairman White then announced that the convention was still on the call of States for nominations. Thereupon Mr. Harry of Pennsylvania placed in nomination ex-Gov. Robert E. Pattison. This evidence that Pennsylvania would stand by the platform and participate in the nomination drew a cry of delight from the silver men, and Pattison's name got a swinging round of applause from the galleries. Mr. Mattingly of the District of Columbia seconded the nomination of John R. McLean of Ohio. Delegate Miller of Oregon added to the list of nominations the name of Sylvester Pennoyer of Oregon.

Such a family of favorite sons as the convention showed up after the first ballot has rarely been equaled in a national convention. Until the roll was nearly finished there were thirteen of them and somebody put in an extra vote for Hill. That made fourteen and their relative seniority in point of strength was as follows: Bland, Bryan, Pattison, Boies, Blackburn, McLean, Tillman, Pennoyer, Teller, Stevenson, Russell, Campbell and Hill. The convention proceeded to ballot, with the following result:

FIRST BALLOT.			
Bland	223	Pennoyer	10
Bryan	105	Tillman	17
Pattison	95	Russell	2
Boles	86	Campbell	2
Matthews	57	Hill	1



WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN.

McLean	53	Teller	8
Blackburn	83	Not voting	185
Stevenson	3		

SECOND BALLOT.			
Bland	281	Matthews	34
Bryan	197	Pennoyer	8
Pattison	100	Stevenson	10
Black	41	Teller	8
Boies	87	Hill	1
McLean	53		

THIRD BALLOT.			
Bland	291	McLean	54
Bryan	219	Matthews	34
Blackburn	27	Stevenson	9
Pattison	97	Hill	1
Boles	36	Not voting	162

FOURTH BALLOT.			
Bland	241	Blackburn	27
Boles	38	McLean	47
Bryan	275	Stevenson	8
Matthews	35	Hill	1
Pattison	96	Not voting	161

On the fifth ballot Bryan received 560 votes, 48 more than the required two-thirds.



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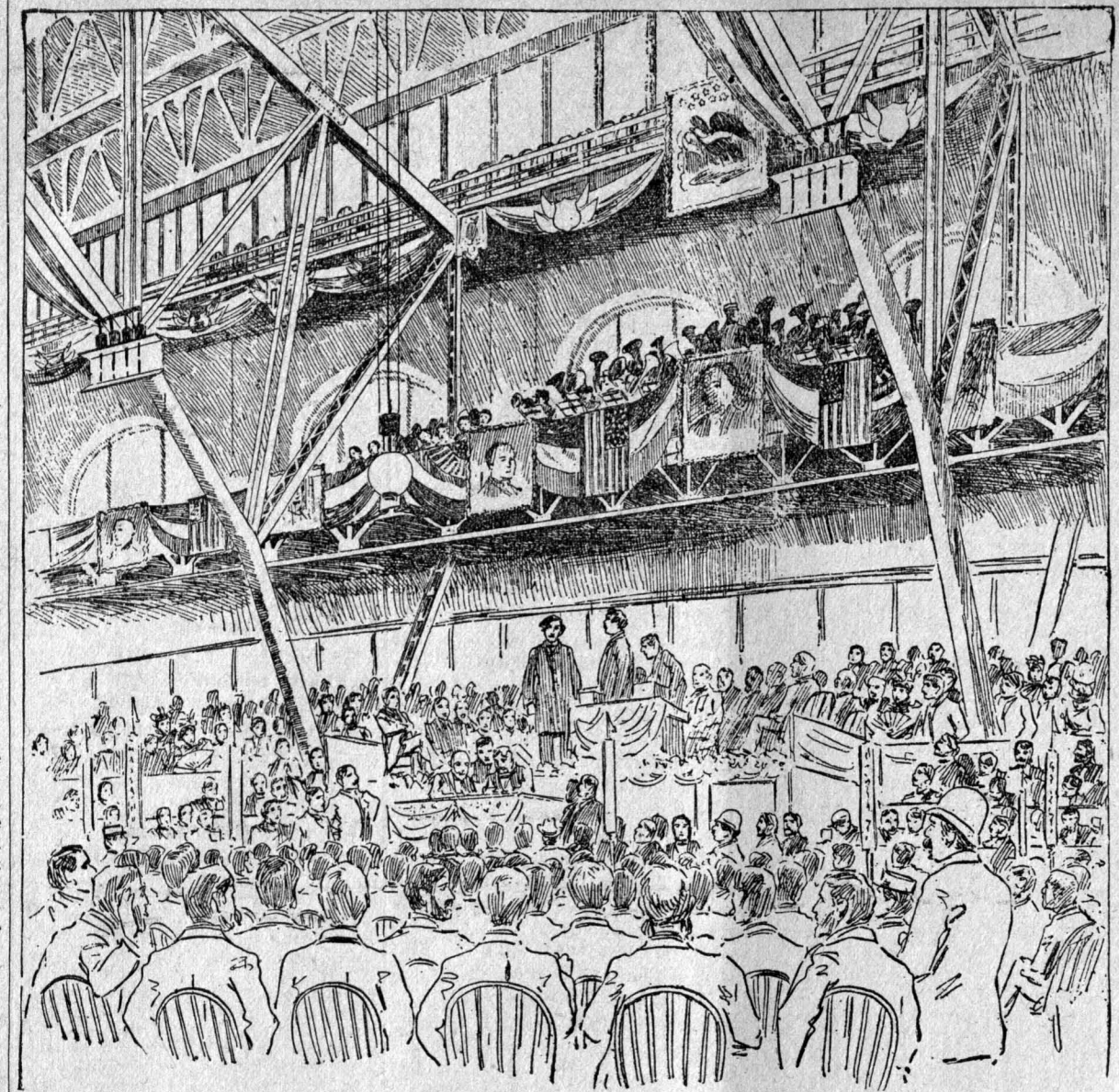
THE INVOCATION.



SANDWICH BOY ARRIVES.

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THE DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL CONVENTION IN SESSION.



FIRST DAY.

The convention hall doors were opened at 11 o'clock, and those entitled to admission permitted to enter. At 12 o'clock the Seventh Regiment band took its station in the balcony over the chairman's desk, and discoursed sweet harmony till he arrived to call the convention to order.

At 12:50 o'clock Chairman Harry, of the National Democratic Committee, with the convention gavel in hand, rapped loudly for order and introduced Rev. E. M. Sires, who raised his hands to heaven in an invocation for wisdom, peace and good-will among the assembled Democracy of the nation. The vast assemblage, numbering over twelve thousand people, rose and remained standing during the devotions.

At the conclusion of the prayer the chairman announced that the National Committee had reported Hon. David B. Hill of New York for temporary presiding officer of the convention. Then he was interrupted and the silver men had their chance.

Gold cracked the whip that started the convention and then silver, eager for control, climbed into the front seat and grabbed the reins. If there was one fact apparent from the moment when the first sharp Western cheers went echoing

the mere sweep of numbers. When the rhetorical smoke had cleared away, after two hours of arguments, appeals, threats, cheers and some hisses, there sat Senator Daniel of Virginia in the place of honor, and David B. Hill had been defeated in the camp of his friends. The vote upon the motion that the name of John W. Daniel of Virginia be substituted for that of David B. Hill of New York for the position of temporary chairman of the convention resulted: Yeas, 556; nays, 349; not voting, 1.

Escorted by the committee, the temporary chairman, John W. Daniel, of Virginia, passed up to the platform, where, when he appeared, he was received with an immense eruption of cheers and yells. While the delegates and everybody else in the house were yelling and cheering Chairman Harry passed the gavel over to Mr. Daniel, who took it and then addressed the convention.

When Mr. Daniel had concluded, the secretary called the roll of States and territories for the appointment of committees, after which the convention adjourned until 10 o'clock Wednesday morning.

SECOND DAY.

The crowds began pouring into the Coliseum shortly after 9 o'clock Wednesday morning, but the heavy-eyed delegates, many of whom had had an all-night vigil, were late in arriving. At 10:44 o'clock Temporary Chairman Daniel called the convention to order and directed that the aisles be cleared. Rev. Dr. Green, of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, offered prayer, at the conclusion of which Chairman Daniel called for the report of the committee on credentials. The committee was not ready with its recommendations and by unanimous consent no business was transacted until the report was received.

The convention tired of inactivity and shouted for speeches. Ex-Gov. Hogg of Texas was called and spoke for half an hour. He urged harmony and raked the Republicans fore and aft.

Senator White, of California, who had been selected for permanent chairman by the silver men, then relieved Mr. Daniel of the gavel and asked the further pleasure of the convention. The galleries shouted for Blackburn, Hill, Bryan and Altgeld. "Kentucky Joe" made a vigorous speech for free silver. Senator Hill and Mr. Bryan were not present. The crowd shouted vociferously for Gov. Altgeld. The Governor spoke for nearly half an hour, and from start to finish his address was a bitter denunciation of the capitalists, far and near. J. F. Williams, of Massachusetts, followed with a free silver speech. He, too, attacked the railroads, the corporations and Wall street.

Five minutes later the committee on credentials filed into the hall. Delegate Atwood, of Kansas, chairman of the committee, read the report. It confirmed the action of the national committee in every detail except Nebraska and Michigan. In the former case the action of the national committee was reversed, thus seating the Bryan delegates. In regard to Michigan, the committee decided to leave the matter open for future action. Chairman White put the motion to adopt and declared it carried by a viva voce vote. The seating of the Bryan delegates was received with tremendous cheers by the convention, and the Nebraskans, with Wm. J. Bryan on their shoulders, marched into the hall amid a remarkable reception. The gold delegates from Nebraska retired to seats in the audience. On motion of Gov. Altgeld the convention then adjourned until 5 o'clock.

Wednesday Evening Session.

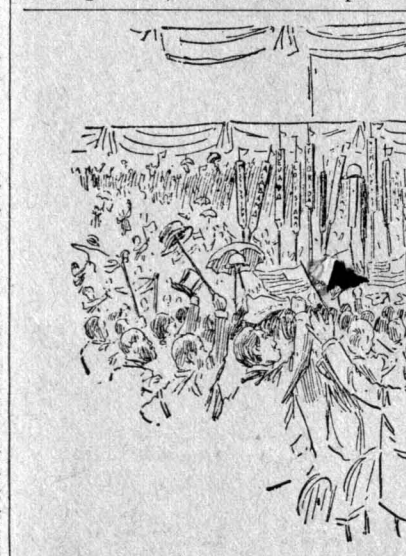
The delegates reassembled for the evening session a little before 6 o'clock, and, although the sunshine falling through the western windows gave the convention hall an air of beautiful peace, it did not extend its soothing influence to the hearts of the Democrats on the floor. They were

tired, and many of them were hungry.

The issue was precipitated when the committee reported in favor of seating four contesting delegates in Michigan. This change gave the silver men a majority, and under the unit rule they could cast the vote of the entire delegation for the white metal. A minority report was presented and followed by speeches from Gov. McLaurin of Mississippi, Saulsbury of Delaware, Stevenson of Michigan, and others. Stevenson scored the committee and the contestants in vitriolic arguments. Blake of Texas declared the contested seats were tainted with fraud of which the committee had evidence, and McKnight of Michigan refuted the accusations.

Amid much confusion, the roll was called upon the substitute. The excitement grew as the vote proceeded. Seven delegates from Alabama put themselves on record as opposed to unseating the Dickinson delegates, and eleven Californians, led by Senator White, did the same thing. The silver men sent up a wild cheer when A. S. Trade announced the vote of Illinois as 48 against the substitute. Senator Hill rose when New York was called and announced "Seventy-two votes aye." The announcement inspired a great demonstration in the galleries. The gold men rose from their seats with flying hats and handkerchiefs, and cheered continuously for over five minutes. The gold delegates got up on their chairs, New York and Massachusetts leading. But, only one-third of the convention rose. The other two-thirds sat silent and stern. The demonstration which succeeded the announcement of the vote was in marked contrast. In one case the gallery led; in the other the delegates. The galleries shouted for gold, but the delegates voted for silver. When the chairman declared the amendment lost by a vote of 558 to 368 the silver delegates leaped to their chairs in demonstration, turning defiantly toward the audience as they cheered.

The silver men had won battle number two and the non-contentious business of electing permanent officers followed. Senator Stephen M. White, of California, was escorted to the chair. The crowd knew him from his appearance at the morning session, where he had temporarily



SCENE WHEN BRYAN'S NOMINATION WAS ANNOUNCED.

ly relieved Chairman Daniel, and they listened intently to his very short speech. The convention adjourned for the night after scenes of wildest confusion.

THIRD DAY.

Shortly before 11 o'clock Thursday morning the convention came to order. Rebellion hung like a pall above the great body, and 20,000 people ranged the sloping hills that overlooked the arena to watch the battle of the wrestling giants. The silver leaders entered with light

and buoyant step. The faces of the gold leaders were grim, grave and defiant. The managers of the several candidates were marshaling their forces. Chairman White was so hoarse he could scarcely speak, and he handed the gavel over to Congressman Richardson of Tennessee, who announced that the committee on resolutions was ready to report, and called to the platform Senator Jones of Arkansas to make the committee report.

The platform as reported by the committee declares for the free and unlimited coinage of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1. The issue of bonds in time of peace is denounced. National banks to be deprived of the power of issuing notes. A tariff for revenue only is demanded and the declaration made that a revival of the McKinley law would be disastrous to the country. An income tax law is declared for, to be effected by constitutional amendment. Sympathy for the Cubans is expressed. It is demanded that pauper immigrants be excluded. Liberal pension appropriations are favored. Senator Hill's bill prohibiting punishment in contempt cases is approved. The Pacific railroad refunding bill is denounced. The third term idea is opposed, and the declared extravagance of the last Republican Congress is denounced.

The platform concluded, the report for the minority was read by J. H. Wade, of Ohio, and the gold people rose and cheered, but their efforts were faint. The endorsement of the Democratic administration which Senator Hill had made a losing fight for in the committee on resolutions, brought down a yell from the galleries. New York delegates stood and waved their hats. The issue was drawn. Senator Tillman, of South Carolina, opened the great debate in behalf of free coinage. On one lapel of his coat he wore a

Senator Jones followed Tillman. Then came Senator Hill, who began by saying, "I am a Democrat, and South Carolina with all her power cannot drive me out of the party. We are here to unite, not to divide Democracy, but we cannot safely ignore the monetary systems of other nations. I know, indeed, that it is the way of the majority that we care not what other countries may do; but I say to you that you might as well do away with all international agreements." A recess was then declared until 8 o'clock.

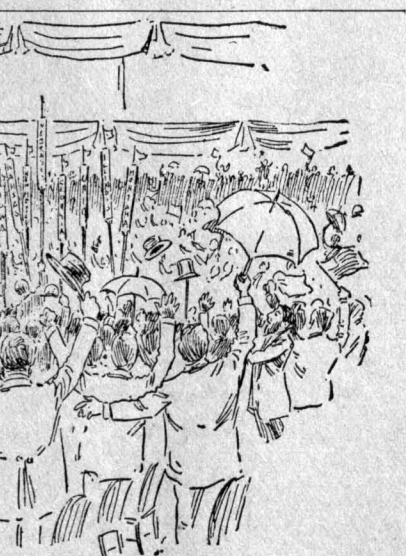
Thursday Night Session.

At the night session, in the presence of fully 25,000 people, the nominating speeches were made, and there was a repetition of the exciting scenes of the afternoon. The Bryan enthusiasm continued. The galleries went frantic at every mention of his name, and the wild demonstration of the afternoon was duplicated when he was placed in nomination by H. T. Lewis of Georgia, and sec-



PERMANENT CHAIRMAN WHITE.

onded by W. C. Klutz of North Carolina, George Fred Williams of Massachusetts, and Thomas J. Kernan of Louisiana. Senator Vest placed the Missourian in nomination, and Gov. Overmeyer of Kansas seconded the nomination. The name of Gov. Claude Matthews of Indiana was presented by Senator Turpie of Indiana, and seconded by Delegate Trippett of Colorado. Fred White of Iowa placed Boies in nomination, and the Waterloo statesman owed a magnificent ovation to the enthusiasm of Miss Winnie Murray, a young woman from Nashua, Iowa, who led the Boies demonstration as Mrs.



JONES IS CHAIRMAN.

Democratic National Committee Sees Him as Its Leader.

Senator James K. Jones was elected chairman of the Democratic national committee. The new chairman was called in and made a speech, saying he was deeply sensible of the honor, and accepted the position because of the interest he felt in the cause of silver. The members from the gold States did not generally attend the meeting, although there were some notable exceptions. Mr. Harry was there, having the proxy of E. C. Wall of Wisconsin. An interesting feature of the meeting was the fact that the temporary organization was presided over by Mr. Harry, a gold standard man. Among the gold States not represented were Maryland, Massachusetts, Minnesota, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York and Rhode Island. Mr. Bryan was present during the greater portion of the time the committee was in session.

Pending a settlement on the wage scale every mill in the Mahoning Valley, including those at Youngstown, Warren, Niles, Girard and Struthers, Ohio, has closed, throwing 8,500 men temporarily out of work. The men demand \$4.50 per ton, while the manufacturers offer only \$4.



"WHAT ARE THEY DOING?"

SEWALL IS SECOND

Chosen as the Candidate for Vice President.

COMES FROM MAINE.

End of the Most Remarkable Convention in History.

More than a Dozen Contestants for the Honor of Being the Nebraska Orator's Running Mate—Comparatively Little Interest Taken in the Selection of the Ticket's Tail—Senator Jones Succeeds Harry as Chairman of the Democratic National Committee.

On the fifth day of the Chicago convention and on the fifth ballot, Arthur Sewall of Maine was named as the Democratic candidate for Vice-President. A few minor motions were speedily disposed of, the gavel fell announcing adjournment and one of the most noted political conventions ever held in this country had passed into history. The end was like the beginning. It was the South and West against the North and East on the first day, when Chairman Harry rapped for order. It was the South and West against the North and East through four long, toilsome days over committee reports, platforms and nominations. And Saturday afternoon it was the South and West against themselves to placate the North and East in the nomination of a candidate for Vice-President. Geography made Sewall the nominee. It was the most remarkable political gathering of a generation and it laid the foundation for a new volume of history. The national anthem, rolling through the great amphitheater, pronounced its benediction.

The convention did not decide Friday night who would be placed on the ticket with Bryan. The body had hardly been brought to order before a motion to adjourn was offered, and the delegates gladly postponed the task of completing the ticket to the fifth day.

The convention met Saturday for its last day's work depleted in members, tired in body and mind and listless in spirit. There were no eager thousands in the galleries to encourage ambitious speakers with applause. Among the delegates there was no desire to punctuate the day's proceedings with pyrotechnics. The convention did not get under way until after 11 o'clock. The delegates were slow in arriving and the public apparently had had a sufficiency of convention amusement. The smallest crowd of the week, probably less than 3,000, was ranged on the shelving sides of the amphitheater. Sound money delegates from the East nearly all had departed. Silver delegates were absent by the score, leaving the delegations to pick for them a vice-presidential candidate out of the mass of uncertainty. The small attendance was due to lack of interest. There was no limitation on admission to the hall. Before the convention began business Senator Ben Tillman of South Carolina pried open the doors with his famous pitchfork and allowed all who wished to enter. In detail, he offered a motion, which was passed, that the hall be opened to the public without restriction. This was received with much enthusiasm.

Despite an apparent lack of enthusiasm the contest for second place would have stood out as a notable convention struggle had it not been overshadowed by what had been done before. Thirteen candidates were placed in nomination: Williams of Massachusetts, McLean of Ohio, Clark of North Carolina, Fithian of Illinois, Pennoyer of Oregon, Sewall of Maine, Sibley of Pennsylvania, Bland of Missouri, Daniel of Virginia, Boies of Iowa, Blackburn of Kentucky, Harry of New York and Pattison of Pennsylvania. Nominations scarcely were completed when withdrawals began and the contest finally narrowed down to Sewall and McLean. Everybody expected a nomination on the fifth ballot, but before roll-call was finished a telegram was read announcing McLean's withdrawal and the proposition was made that Sewall be declared the nominee by acclamation, and it was done. The chairman laid down his gavel and the Democratic national convention of 1896 was over.

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THURSDAY, JULY 16, 1896.

DUNCAN LAKE.

The rain yesterday was more than welcome.

At our annual school meeting Monday evening Henry Adam was elected assessor for three years to succeed himself. Also nine months' school for the next school year instead of eight as heretofore.

The old house at the Pike mill has been torn down to give way to a better one soon to be erected by Mr. Gamble.

Chas. Pike has his engine in place so he can do grinding now and not have to wait for high water.

A good many bass are being caught in the lake now. They seem to take to minnows first rate. "I have tried it and I know."

Elder Samuel Sherk preached at the Mennonite church Sunday evening.

Dilman Benjamin had the misfortune to lose a horse last week.

The Good Bros. of Dutton are threshing on the west county line.

NORTH IRVING.

Those that attended the missionary lecture at Irving last week speak very highly of it.

There will be a fried cake and coffee social at Frank Roberts', Saturday evening. A short literary program will be rendered.

Mr. Benedict and Miss Baldwin of Irving attended League at this place Sunday evening.

Grandma Matthews has recovered from her late illness so far as to enable her to visit friends near Hastings the past few days.

Mrs. Coulter does not gain strength as rapidly as her many friends and herself wish, as she has been under the doctor's care again the past week.

Some young ladies from Hastings visited at John Trego's last week as did Mr. Gams from Carlton, while Mr. Havens of Hastings was their guest over Sunday.

Miss DeYoung and Miss Shively visited at Ethel Woods Sunday afternoon and Dell Fauser was somewhere here, too.

Mrs. Southerland was in Battle Creek Monday and Tuesday.

Did you go huckleberrying, and how many did you get? This is the question of the day at present as several of our people have been indulging.

Mr. and Mrs. Zerbe and daughter visited the former's people Saturday and Sunday at Parmelee.

Loia Smith was unfortunate enough to fall down stairs last week. Although considerably shaken up, no serious result.

Mrs. Clara Cook and that baby of Middleville visited her parents, Geo. Ingram and wife, last week, returning home Sunday.

Charley Beamer and wife of O'Donnell were calling at John Trego's Sunday p. m. and, by the way, can you tell us who our county sheriff will be anyhow? Yes, after election.

Oats will be harvested this week, what the grasshoppers have not eaten, and we are anxiously waiting to hear from some of our neighbors that are in foreign lands.

One does not need to apply one of those new electric inventions that you can see things grow, when nature gives such delightful showers as we have been receiving of late. One can see with the natural eye.

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Oats.....	20
Clover Seed.....	5 50
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Flour (roller).....	2 00
Bran per ton.....	10 00
Middlings.....	14 00
Butter.....	10
Eggs.....	9
Chickens (full dressed).....	8
Chickens (spring).....	10
Beef (dressed).....	4 5
Veal.....	4 5
Hogs (dressed).....	4 00
Hogs (live).....	3 00
Lard.....	6
Tallow.....	3
Hides.....	3 4
Pelts.....	15 30
Hay (timothy).....	8 00 10 00
Hay (clover).....	7 00 9 00
Wood (dry maple).....	1 50
Oil (retail).....	10 13
Gasoline.....	12
Salt.....	90
Lime per bbl.....	80
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A FENCE 400 MILES LONG.

How the Australians Deal with the Rabbit Pest.

Then the New South Wales government, it may be remembered, offered a reward of £25,000 to any person or persons who could suggest a really efficient method of getting rid of the pest, but, although this liberal offer led to the receipt of no fewer than 2,000 schemes from all parts of the world, none of them was regarded as satisfactory, and the offer was withdrawn, says the London Times. The domestic cat was introduced and in certain limited areas did much service. Poisons were largely resorted to, and ferrets, stoats and weasels have been imported in thousands into some of the colonies and have increased fast. But hitherto the rabbits, owing to the rate at which they multiply, have managed not only to hold their own, but to constantly spread over new ground, carrying destruction with them wherever they go.

In South Australia, for instance, the direct loss from the rabbits has been put down at £250,000 per annum and the indirect loss at a similar amount. In Victoria the active operations for the destruction of rabbits on crown lands have been carried on by the government since 1880, and from that date to the middle of 1894 a total of nearly £300,000 had been spent by the state on that object. As for the money spent by private individuals for the same purpose, that is almost incalculable, but it may be mentioned that on one estate alone upward of £15,000 has been expended by the owner with the view of clearing his land of the pest.

In the seventeen years ending with 1893 nearly 68,000,000 rabbit skins, valued at £402,000, were exported from Victoria, without counting the large quantities used by hat manufacturers in the colony, one establishment alone using 374,000 every year; yet, notwithstanding all this slaughter, the present infested area throughout the colony is estimated by the chief inspector at no less than 37,750,000 acres. Adding to the direct expenditure the depreciation of the grazing values of the land, the losses to the colonies concerned amount to millions of pounds sterling.

The final outcome of royal commissions, of intercolonial conferences and of the testing of every practical method of extermination is that the most effectual method of dealing with the evil is found to be the construction of rabbit-proof netting by means of which the animals can be kept from areas not yet infested, can be shut off from food supplies, and can be more effectually dealt with locally. The length of some of these fences is enormous. There is one starting at Barrington, on the Queensland border, and following the main trunk line from Bourke to Corowa, a distance of 407 miles, and there is another along the entire western boundary of New South Wales, a distance of 346 miles. The Queensland government, too, has erected a similar fence along a considerable portion of the northern boundary of New South Wales, but the surveyor-general of Queensland, in the report already referred to, says that "the rabbits must have come through the fence in mobs and droves of innumerable multitudes at some time," and thus have established themselves in Queensland as well.

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Mortgage Sale.

Default having been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage executed by Henry F. Ingram and Elizabeth, his wife, to George Guest, bearing date December sixth, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-four, and recorded in the office of the register of deeds in and for Barry county, Michigan, on the fourteenth day of December aforesaid at half past four o'clock in the afternoon, in the forty of mortgages on parcel twenty-six, upon which said mortgage and the debt secured therein and thereby by the terms of said mortgage, that if any interest shall become due and remain unpaid for thirty days thereafter, then both principal and interest shall forthwith become due and collectable at the option of the party of the second part and the said party of the second part having, by virtue of his option, declared the whole amount of said mortgage due at once, and there being now due on said mortgage the sum of thirteen hundred and twenty-five dollars (\$1325), by reason of said option and declaration, and also an attorney fee of thirty-five dollars, stipulated and agreed to by said mortgage, to be paid in full, as soon as any proceedings should be taken to foreclose said mortgage, in addition to all other legal costs, by which default the power of sale in said mortgage has become operative; and whereas, no suit or proceeding has been instituted at law or in equity to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, and by said mortgage or any part thereof, Notice is therefore hereby given, that by virtue of the power of sale in said mortgage contained, and of the statute in that behalf made and provided, the premises described in said mortgage, to-wit: All those certain pieces or parcels of land situate in the township of Irving in the county of Barry and the state of Michigan, and described as follows, to-wit: The north half of the south-west quarter and twenty acres from the north side of the south half of the south-west quarter of section three (3) town four (4) north range nine (9) west, containing one hundred acres of land, more or less, will be sold at public auction, to the highest bidder, on Saturday, the fifteenth day of August, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, at the north front door of the court house, in the city of Hastings, in the county of Barry, that being the place wherein is held the circuit court for the county of Barry at ten o'clock in the forenoon of said day, to satisfy said debt and interest, attorney fee and the costs of this foreclosure.

May nineteenth, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six. George Guest, Plaintiff. Wm. L. Cobb, Attorney for said Mortgagee. 21-13

Chancery Order.

State of Michigan, in the Circuit Court for the County of Barry. In Chancery.

Emily L. Irving, Complainant
vs.
James Irving, Defendant.

Suit pending in the Circuit Court for the county of Barry in Chancery, Fifth Judicial Circuit, at the city of Hastings, in said county, on the 18th day of June, A. D. 1896.

In this cause, it is satisfactorily appearing to me by affidavit that said defendant, James Irving, is not a resident of the state of Michigan, but resides in the state of Minnesota, on motion of Wm. L. Cobb, solicitor for the complainant, it is ordered, that the said defendant do cause his appearance in said cause, herein, within four months from this date, and that in case of his appearance he cause his answer to the complainant's bill of complaint in this cause to be filed with a copy thereof to be served on the complainant's solicitor, within twenty days after service of a copy of said bill, and a notice of this order, that in default of such appearance and answer, the bill as confessed by the said defendant.

And it is further ordered, that within twenty days after the said complaint is filed this order be published in the MIDDLEVILLE SUN, a newspaper published and printed in said county, and that such publication be continued once in each week for six weeks in succession, or that she cause a copy of this order to be personally served on said defendant, at least twenty days before the time herein prescribed for his appearance.

FRED W. WALKER,
Circuit Court Commissioner.

WM. L. COBB,
Complainant's Solicitor.
REGISTER IN CHANCERY CERTIFICATE.

STATE OF MICHIGAN,
COUNTY OF BARRY, ss.

I, John G. Nagler, Register of the Circuit Court for the County of Barry in CHANCERY, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of Order of Publication entered therein in the above entitled cause in said Court, as appears of original record now in my office. That I have compared the same with the original, and it is a true transcript therefrom, and of the whole thereof.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Court, at Hastings, this 19th day of June, A. D. 1896.

JOHN G. NAGLER,
Register in Chancery.

Notice of Letting.

Notice is hereby given that I, John W. Briggs, county drain commissioner of the county of Barry, state of Michigan, will on the 28th day of July, A. D. 1896, at the bridge where the said drain crosses the highway, in said township of Yankee Springs at ten o'clock in the forenoon of that day, proceed to receive bids for the laying of 250 feet of tile, beginning about sixty feet below said bridge and running up stream 250 feet; also the job of cleaning out of the said drain from the mouth of said tile to the outlet of said drain; also the job of protecting with plank the banks of said drain immediately below said bridge for a distance of fifty feet, more or less; also the job of protecting with plank the banks of said drain immediately above the upper end of said tile for a distance of one hundred feet, more or less, of a certain drain known and designated as "The William's Lake County Drain," located and established in the said township of Yankee Springs and described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at a stake on the northeast side of Long Lake, that is about forty rods northwest of the SE corner of the W 1/2 of the SW 1/4 of sec 21 T 3 N R 10 W, Mich., and running thence N 67 1/2 degrees E 233 feet on land of Mrs. A. Mellings and crossing the line at a stake about fifty rods north of the south line of said sec 21 running thence N 67 1/2 degrees E 275 feet thence N 43 degrees E 225 feet thence N 16 1/2 degrees W 443 feet thence N 10 1/2 degrees E 200 feet equal to 1293 feet on land of Chas. Williams and ending at a stake on the south side of Williams' Lake, thence northeasterly across Williams' Lake to a stake on the east side of said lake thence N 72 1/2 degrees E 300 feet on land of George B. Griffith and ending at a stake on the west side of McKee Lake.

Said job will be let by sections. The section at the outlet of the drain will be let first, and the remaining sections in their order up stream, in accordance with the diagram now on file with the other papers pertaining to said drain, in the office of the county clerk, to which reference may be had by all parties interested, and bids will be made and received accordingly. Contracts will be made with the lowest responsible bidder giving adequate security for the performance of the work, in a sum then and there to be fixed by me, reserving to myself the right to reject any and all bids. The date for the completion of such contract, and the terms of payment therefor, shall be announced at the time and place of letting.

Notice is further hereby given that at the time and place of said letting or at such other time and place thereafter to which I, the drain commissioner aforesaid, may adjourn the same the assessments for said drain and the lands comprised within the "Williams Lake County Drain Special Assessment District," will be subject to review.

The following is a description of the several tracts or parcels of land constituting the special assessment district of said drain, viz: That part of the west 1/2 of the SW 1/4 of sec 21 T 3 N R 10 W that is south of the angle highway; that part of the NW 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of sec 21 T 3 N R 10 W that is north of the angle highway; that part of the SW 1/4 of NW 1/4 of sec 21 T 3 N R 10 W that is south of the creek; that part of the SW 1/4 of the NW 1/4 of sec 21 T 3 N R 10 W that is north of the creek; the NW 1/4 of the NW 1/4 of sec 21 T 3 N R 10 W; the E 1/2 of the NW 1/4 of sec 21 T 3 N R 10 W; the W 1/2 of the NE 1/4 of sec 21 T 3 N R 10 W; the NE 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of sec 21 T 3 N R 10 W; the SE 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of sec 21 T 3 N R 10 W; the E 1/2 of the SE 1/4 of sec 21 T 3 N R 10 W; the E 1/2 of the SW 1/4 of sec 21 T 3 N R 10 W; the SE 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of sec 20 T 3 N R 10 W; the NE 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of sec 20 T 3 N R 10 W; the E 1/2 of the NE 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of sec 20 T 3 N R 10 W; the NW 1/4 of NE 1/4 of sec 28 T 3 N R 10 W; township of Yankee Springs at large T 3 N R 10 W.

Dated this tenth day of July, A. D. 1896.

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County Drain Com'r of the County of Barry.

TWENTY-SEVENTH

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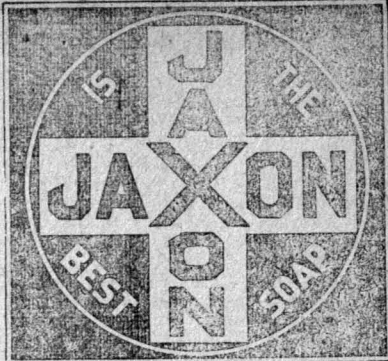
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F. L. Blake has a last year's apple in perfect state of preservation.

John Campbell has bills out announcing a semi-annual clearing sale.

Bills are out announcing a special bargain sale at Schondelmayer Bros.

Mrs. W. H. Severance is giving a "stag" party today in honor of her son Bert's 21st birthday.

Deputy Sheriff M. R. Shisler and Chas. Forward of Caledonia were in the village this a. m. looking after the party who broke into Timm & Son's general store in that village last night and secured some shoes, handkerchiefs and other small articles. No clue.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

Regular meeting of the common council July 10, 1896. Members present: Trustees Dietrich, McConnell, Stimson, Tewksbury and Whitmore and the president, R. T. French.

The following bills were allowed and orders drawn:

Street fund: W. A. Pierce.....\$ 9.00 John Dillon.....\$11.25
W. A. Pierce..... 1.50 John Dillon..... 6.75
Sam'l Campbell. 2.00 W. Foster..... 15.81
M. A. Dietrich..... 1.40 Chas. Annison..... 6.25
Contingent fund: R. T. French..... 1.00 J. D. Dietrich..... 4.00
Orlando Thomas 31.00 J. W. Saunders..... 19.00
W. H. Severance 3.46

The street commissioner was instructed to repair the approach to Amos Wakefield's barn when a job of grading has been done in the alley.

A resolution was unanimously adopted accepting the job of paving done by the Michigan Central Railroad company between the railroad track and the street crossing in Main street in Middleville on north side of railroad track.

The druggist bond of Nelson Abbott as principal and Amos Hanlon and M. M. Prindle as sureties was accepted and filed.

The marshal was instructed to notify Orlando Thomas to complete the sidewalk in front of his premises on Dearborn street within ten days from the date of receiving notice to do the same.

On motion the village attorney, M. F. Jordan, was instructed to confer with W. R. Young in relation to the dilapidated and dangerous condition of the old buildings on lot 5, block 1, on High street in this village. The president, R. T. French, was also instructed to purchase (at the lowest possible rate) 500 feet of good hose for the use of the fire department of this village. On motion Trustee Dietrich was appointed committee to procure and have a pump placed in the public well at the corner of Main and High streets and to investigate the springs and watering-trough business on west side of river.

On motion of Trustee Stimson council adjourned. G. W. MATTESON, Village Clerk.

THORNAPPLE REPUBLICAN CAUCUS.

Republican township caucus is hereby called to meet at the engine house in the village of Middleville on Saturday, July 25, at 2 o'clock p. m. to elect eleven delegates to the county convention to be held at Hastings Thursday, July 30 at 10:30 a. m., at which time delegates will be elected to attend the state convention, 4th congressional and 15th senatorial district conventions; and transact such other business as may lawfully come before it.

29-2 J. W. SAUNDERS, Chairman Rep. Twp. Com.

DETROIT WHEELMEN'S RACES.

The increase in interest, which is being shown on the coming races of the Detroit Wheelmen, July 17 and 18, the large entry list which has been secured, in both professional and amateur classes, and the fact that the railroads have granted a one-fare-and-a-third round trip rate from all points in the state within 150 miles, on the certificate plan, are evidences of the way the matter is looked at among the people of the state. It is expected that records will be broken and that a great trial of speed be seen between Bald, Cooper, Sanger and the rest, Cooper, by the way, will not ride at Kalamazoo nor at any other point in the state except Battle Creek. Special permission has been received to increase the value of the professional prizes, limited by the L. A. W. to \$100, to a sufficient amount to get the best time out of the contestants.

ONE-HALF RATE AUGUST 10TH.

On account of Buffalo Bill's Wild West and congress of rough riders of the world the Michigan Central will sell tickets to Grand Rapids August 10 at rate of one fare for round trip, good to return on date of sale only.

29-4 J. E. GOOGLE, Local Agent.

PERSONAL POINTS.

Mrs. C. H. Hayter is quite sick.
Dan Schleh is in Cleveland, Ohio.

Mrs. J. Schondelmayer is on the sick list.

Wm. Phillips has returned to Hastings.

J. J. Stark returned Tuesday from Iowa.

M. F. Dowling is numbered among the sick.

Mrs. M. E. Robertson is visiting in Grand Rapids.

Mr. Ward of Wayland was in town this a. m. a wheel.

L. L. Fenton is working in the Litchfield Record office.

Mrs. J. J. Stark is expected home from Delton today.

Miss Grace Smith is visiting in Grand Rapids for a few days.

Dr. E. O. Hanlon of Wayland was in the village yesterday.

Miss Lizzie Brower of Caledonia was in the village Saturday.

Miss Grace Harris is spending a few days with friends in Moline.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Clever are spending a few days in Grand Rapids.

Mrs. Abigail Hanlon of Wayland is visiting friends in the village.

J. L. Broughton of Shultz was a guest at Archie McQueen's over Sunday.

Miss Maude Young spent Sunday and Monday with friends in the village.

Rev. H. Appleton and family were guests of Moline friends yesterday.

Mrs. D. Mattason left Wednesday morning on a week's visit in Holland.

Miss Priscilla Cook is in attendance at the B. Y. P. U. convention at Milwaukee.

J. S. Clark of Ont. was calling on friends in the village the first of the week.

Mrs. Gillaspie of Hastings is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. C. H. Hayter.

C. P. Dow of Eaton Rapids and H. Trask of Hastings were in the village yesterday.

Geo. Bedford, who went to England last March, returned last week Thursday evening.

Mrs. E. Striker of Rochester, N. Y., is the guest of her brother, Geo. Sanford, and wife.

Master Willie Miller is spending a couple of weeks with his mother in Benton Harbor.

Mrs. Frank D. Pratt and daughter Mary, have returned from a ten days visit at Coopersville.

Walter German is working in C. Schondelmayer's blacksmith shop in place of Dan Schleh.

Miss Mabel Borthwick of Bellaire is visiting Mrs. A. A. Tewksbury and Mrs. H. Goodspeed.

Mrs. Ella Camp is taking a week's vacation with her sister, Mrs. Willard, northwest of the village.

Miss Flora Liebler of Caledonia was the guest of her brother, W. K., and wife Friday and Saturday.

Ed Benaway has moved into Miss Jackson's house on High-st. recently vacated by Wm. Phillips.

Miss Bessie Saunders is expected home Saturday after a two weeks' visit with relatives and friends in Charlotte.

Kitfle and Edna McNaughton of Coopersville, are guests of their grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. McQueen.

Mr. J. W. Willard and wife were the guests of Mr. Will Swegles and family of northeast Irving last Sunday.

Neal Patterson of Hart is filling the position formerly occupied by Wm. Phillips at M. L. Mattason's barber shop.

Mrs. M. M. Prindle is expected home Saturday from Charlotte, where she has been visiting relatives and friends the past two weeks.

Mr. John Sherman, wife and son of Yankee Springs visited their old friends, Mr. J. W. Willard and family this week Wednesday.

Mrs. W. Ward and children of Detroit expect to arrive in the village today on a visit to her sister, Mrs. A. O. Wilkinson, and family.

Mrs. W. E. Dolson of Charlotte is the guest of her sister, Mrs. J. W. Saunders, and family. Mr. D. will also spend Sunday in the village.

J. O. Seibert and Dan Good, former residents of Caledonia, now of Grand Rapids and Pittsburg, Pa., have been spending a few days fishing at Gun lake.

Mrs. S. A. Gillette, who has been spending a couple of weeks in the village, left yesterday morning for South Haven. Mrs. W. D. Gardner accompanied her to Grand Rapids.

FOUND—A ladies' purse. Owner call at postoffice. 29-1

UP TO DATE—1896.

The most complete Tariff Text Book ever published is the new edition of "Tariff Facts for Speakers and Students," Defender Document No. 9—260 pages, just out. Publishers, The American Protective Tariff League. Campaign text books issued just before the election are of little value. The Tariff League is to be congratulated on its foresight in getting out its hand book so early in the year. Order by number only. Sent to any address for twenty-five cents. Address W. P. Wakeman Gen. Sec. 135 West 23d St., New York

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H. R. Pattengill, superintendent of public instruction, has sent out circulars announcing the Kent county teacher's institute, which will open July 20 and close August 14. Every teacher is urged to attend and no enrollment fee will be charged. Commissioner A. Hamlin Smith is chairman of the local committee to whom letters may be written for information.

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STATIONS.	Det	Exp	N Y	Ngt	Fr't
	Exp	Dly	Exp	Exp	
Grand Rapids Lv.	7:00	1:00	6:00	11:00	7:10
Middleville.....	7:35	1:37	6:35	12:13	4:45
Hastings.....	7:50	1:52	6:50	12:40	9:30
Jackson Ar.....	9:30	3:50	9:00	3:40	5:20
Detroit Ar.....	12:20	6:00	11:15	7:10	...

WESTWARD BOUND.

STATIONS.	Pac	Sp'l	M'll	Gr	Fr't
	Exp	Dly	Exp	Exp	
Grand Rapids Ar	5:00	6:40	11:45	10:20	4:45
Middleville.....	5:37	5:58	12:23	9:35	2:15
Hastings.....	5:50	6:10	1:04	10:10	1:40
Jackson Lv.....	12:01	3:50	8:45	7:30	7:10
Detroit Lv.....	8:45	2:00	6:30	4:35	...

Grand Rapids & Indiana Railroad.

Schedule in effect June 22, 1896.

NORTHERN DIVISION	Leave	Arrive
	Going North	From North
Trav. City, Pet. & Mack	* 4:00 am	* 10:00 pm
Trav. City, Pet. & Mack	* 7:45 am	* 5:15 pm
Trav. City, Pet. & Mack	* 2:00 pm	* 9:10 pm
Cadillac.....	* 5:25 pm	* 11:10 am
Potoskey and Mackinaw	* 11:00 pm	* 5:30 am

Train leaving at 4:00 a. m. is a solid vestibuled train with day coaches and sleeping cars to Potoskey and Mackinaw. Train leaving at 7:45 a. m. has parlor car to Potoskey and Mackinaw. Train leaving at 2:00 p. m. is a solid train with day coaches and Wagner buffet parlor car to Potoskey, Bay View and Harbor Springs. Train leaving at 11:00 p. m. has sleeping cars to Potoskey and Mackinaw.

SOUTHERN DIVISION. Leave Going South

Cincinnati.....	* 7:25 am	* 8:25 pm
St. Wayne.....	* 2:00 pm	* 1:45 pm
Kalamazoo.....	* 6:00 pm	* 9:15 am
Cincinnati.....	* 10:15 pm	* 3:50 am

7:25 a. m. train has parlor car to Cincinnati, Indianapolis and Louisville.

MUSKEGON TRAINS.

GOING WEST	Leave	Arrive
Lv Gd Rps 7:25am	* 10:00 pm	* 5:40 pm
Ar Muskegon 8:50am	* 2:10 pm	* 7:05 pm
Lv Muskegon (Steamer).....	* 7:40 pm	
Ar Milwaukee (Steamer).....	* 4:00 am	

GOING EAST.

Lv Milwaukee 8:00pm		
Ar Muskegon 8:15:00am	* 11:45 am	* 4:00 pm
Ar Gd Rps 9:20am	* 12:55 pm	* 5:20 pm
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TALMAGE'S SERMON.

THE THEORIES OF RUIN AND RESTORATION ARE PRESENTED.

A Dramatic Bible Scene—The Disabled Human Soul Humbled and Restored—The Important Part of Every Prayer—Glories of the Gospel.

For Another's Sake. Dr. Talmage's sermon of last Sunday is a vivid and novel presentation of the theories of ruin and restoration. The Bible scene described is dramatic. His text was II. Samuel ix., 1 and 13: "Is there yet any that is left of the house of Saul, that I may show him kindness for Jonathan's sake?" * * * So Mephibosheth dwelt in Jerusalem, for he did eat continually at the king's table and was lame on both his feet.

Was there ever anything more romantic and chivalrous than the love of David and Jonathan? At one time Jonathan was up and David was down. Now David is up and Jonathan's family is down. As you have often heard of two soldiers before going into battle making a covenant that if one is shot the survivor will take charge of the body, the watch, the mementos and perhaps of the bereft family of the one that dies, so David and Jonathan have made a covenant, and now that Jonathan is dead David is inquiring about his family, that he may show kindness unto them for their father Jonathan's sake.

Careful search is made, and a son of Jonathan of the dreadfully homely name of Mephibosheth is found. His nurse, in his infancy, had let him fall, and the fall had put both his ankles out of place, and they had never been set. This decrepit, poor man is brought into the palace of King David. David looks upon him with melting tenderness, no doubt seeing in his face a resemblance to his old friend, the deceased Jonathan. The whole bearing of King David toward him seems to say: "How glad I am to see you, Mephibosheth! How you remind me of your father, my old friend and benefactor! I made a bargain with your father a good many years ago, and I am going to keep it with you. What can I do for you, Mephibosheth? I am resolved what to do—I will make you a rich man. I will restore to you the confiscated property of your grandfather Saul, and you shall be a guest of mine as long as you live, and you shall be seated at my table among the princes." It was too much for Mephibosheth, and he cried out against it, calling himself a dead dog. "Be still," says David. "I don't do this on your own account. I do this for your father Jonathan's sake. I can never forget his kindness. I remember when I was hounded from place to place how he befriended me. Can I ever forget how he stripped himself of his courtier's apparel and gave it to me instead of my shepherd's coat, and how he took off his own sword and belt and gave them to me instead of my sling? Oh, I can never forget him! I feel as if I couldn't do enough for you, his son. I don't do it for your sake; I do it for your father Jonathan's sake." "So Mephibosheth dwelt in Jerusalem, for he did eat continually at the king's table and was lame on both his feet."

A Disabled Soul.

There is so much gospel in this quaint incident that I am embarrassed to know where to begin. Whom do Mephibosheth and David and Jonathan make you think of?

Mephibosheth, in the first place, stands for the disabled human soul. Lord Byron describes him as a charming recklessness, as a gallantry, as a Don Juan. George Sand describes him as triumphant in many intricate plots. Gavarini, with his engraver's knife, always shows him as a great jocularist. But the Bible presents it as a Mephibosheth, lame on both feet. Sin, like the nurse in the context, attempted to carry us and let us fall, and we have been disabled, and in our whole moral nature we are decrepit. Sometimes theologians haggle about a technicality. They use the words "total depravity," and some people believe in the doctrine, and some reject it. What do you mean by total depravity? Do you mean that every man is as bad as he can be? Then I do not believe it either. But do you mean that sin has let us fall; that it has sacrificed and disabled and crippled our entire moral nature until we cannot walk straight and are lame in both feet? Then I admit your proposition. There is not so much difference in an African jungle, with barking, howling, hissing, fighting quadruped and reptile, and paradise, with its animals coming before Adam, when he patted them and stroked them and gave them names, so that the panther was as tame as the cow, and the condor as tame as the dove, as there is between the human soul disabled and that soul as God originally constructed it. I do not care what the sentimentalists or the poets say in regard to sin. In the name of God, I declare to you to-day that sin is disorganization, disintegration, ghastly disfigurement, hobbling deformity.

Your modern theologian tells you that man is a little out of sorts. He sometimes thinks wrong. He sometimes does wrong—indeed, his nature needs a little moral surgery, an outside splint, a slight compress, a little rectification. Religion is a good thing to have, it might some day come into use. Man is partially wrong, not all wrong. He is lame in one foot. Bring the salve of divine grace, and the ointment, and the pain extractor, and we will have his one foot cured. Man is only half wrong, not altogether wrong. In what is man's nature right? In his will, his affections, his judgment? No. There is an old book that says, "The whole head is sick and the whole heart faint." Mephibosheth lame in both feet! Our belief of the fact that sin has sacrificed and deformed our souls increases as we go on in years. When you started life, you thought that man was a little marred by sin, and he was about one-tenth wrong. By the time you had gone through the early experience of your trade or occupation or profession you believed that man was about half wrong. By the time you came to midlife you believed that man was three-fourths wrong. But with in these past few years, since you have been so lied about and swindled and cheated, you have come to the conclusion that man is altogether wrong, and now you can say with the prayer book and with the Bible, "The heart is deceitful above all things and desperately wicked." Whatever you may have believed before, now you believe that Mephibosheth is lame on both feet.

Humbled, but Restored. Again, Mephibosheth in the text stands for the disabled human soul humbled and restored. When this invalid of my text

got a command to come to King David's palace, he trembled. The fact was that the grandfather of Mephibosheth had treated David most shockingly, and now Mephibosheth says to himself: "What does the king want of me? Isn't it enough that I am lame? Is he going to destroy my life? Is he going to wreak on me the vengeance which he holds toward my grandfather Saul? It's too bad." But go to the palace Mephibosheth must, since the king has commanded it. With staff and crutches and helped by his friends, I see Mephibosheth going up the stairs of the palace. I hear his staff and crutches rattling on the tessellated floor of the throne room. No sooner have these two persons confronted each other, Mephibosheth and David, the king, than Mephibosheth throws himself flat on his face before the king and styles himself a dead dog. In the east when a man styles himself a dog he utters the utmost term of self abnegation. It is not a term so strong in this country, where, if a dog has a fair chance, he sometimes shows more nobility of character than some human specimens that we wot of, but the mangy curs of the oriental cities, as I know by my own observation, are utterly detestable. Mephibosheth gives the utmost term of self loathing when he compares himself to a dog, and dead at that.

Consider the analogy. When the command is given from the palace of heaven to the human soul to come, the soul begins to tremble. It says: "What is God going to do with me now? Is he going to destroy me? Is he going to wreak his vengeance upon me?" There is more than one Mephibosheth trembling now because God has summoned him to the palace of divine grace. What are you trembling about? God has no pleasure in the death of a sinner. He does not send for you to hurt you. He sends for you to do you good. A Scotch preacher had the following circumstances brought under his observation: There was a poor woman in the parish who was about to be turned out because she could not pay her rent. One night she heard a loud knocking at the door, and she made no answer and hid herself. The rapping continued louder, louder, louder, but she made no answer and continued to hide herself. She was almost frightened unto death. She said, "That's the officer of the law come to throw me out of my home."

A few days after a Christian philanthropist met her in the street and said: "My poor woman, where were you the other night? I came round to your house to pay your rent. Why didn't you let me in? Were you at home?" "Why," she replied, "was that you?" "Yes, that was me. I came to pay your rent." "Why," she said, "if I had had any idea it was you, I would have let you in. I thought it was an officer come to cast me out of my home." O soul, that loud knocking at thy gate is not the sheriff come to put you in jail. It is the best friend you ever had come to be your security. You shiver with terror because you think it is wrath. It is mercy. Why, then, tremble before the King of heaven and earth calls you to his palace? Stop trembling and start right away. "Oh," you say, "I can't start. I have been so lamed by sin and so lamed by evil habit I can't start. I am lame in both feet." My friend, we come out with our prayers and sympathies to help you up to the palace. If you want to get to the palace, you may get there. Start now. The Holy Spirit will help you. All you have to do is just to throw yourself on your face at the feet of the King, as Mephibosheth did.

The Sinner's Cry.

Mephibosheth's caninal comparison seems extravagant to the world, but when a man has seen himself as he really is and seen how he has been treating the Lord there is no term vehement enough to express his self condemnation. The dead dog of Mephibosheth's comparison fails to describe the man's utter loathing of himself. Mephibosheth's posturing does not seem too prostrate. When a soul is convicted, first he prays upright. Then the muscles of his neck relax, and he is able to bow his head. After awhile, by an almost superhuman effort, he kneels down to pray. After awhile, when he has seen God and seen himself, he throws himself flat on his face at the feet of the King, just like Mephibosheth. The fact is if we could see ourselves as God sees us we would perish at the spectacle. You would have no time to overhear other people. Your cry would be, "God, be merciful to me, a sinner!"

And, again, Mephibosheth in my text stands for the sake of another. Mephibosheth would never have got into the palace on his own account. Why did David ransom the realm to find that poor man and then bestow upon him a great fortune and command a farmer of the name of Ziba to eke out the estate and give to this invalid Mephibosheth half the proceeds every year? Why did King David make such a mighty stir about a poor fellow who would never be of any use to the throne of Israel? It was for Jonathan's sake. It was what Robert Burns calls for "and lang syne." David could not forget what Jonathan had done for him in other days. Three times this chapter has it that all this kindness on the part of David to Mephibosheth was for his father Jonathan's sake. The daughter of Peter Martyr, through the vice of her husband, came down to penury, and the senate of Zurich took care of her for her father's sake. Sometimes a person has applied to you for help, and you have refused him, but when you found he was the son or brother of some one who had been your benefactor in former days and by a glance you saw the resemblance of your old friend in the face of the applicant you relented and you said, "Oh, I will do this for your father's sake." You know by your experience what my text means. Now, my friends, it is on that principle that you and I are to get into the King's palace.

In His Name.

The most important part of every prayer is the last three or four words of it—"For Christ's sake." Do not rattle off those words as though they were merely the finishing stroke of the prayer. They are the most important part of the prayer. When in earnestness you go before God and say "for Christ's sake" it rolls in, as it were, upon God's mind all the memories of Bethlehem and Gennesaret and Golgotha. When you say before God "for Christ's sake" you hold before God's mind every groan, every tear, every crimson drop of his only begotten Son. If there is anything in all the universe that will move God to an act of royal beneficence, it is to say "for Christ's sake." God is omnipotent, but he is not strong enough to resist that cry, "For Christ's sake." If a little child should kneel behind God's throne and should say "For Christ's sake," the great Jehovah would turn around on his throne to look at her and listen. No

prayer ever gets to heaven but for Christ's sake. No soul is ever comforted but for Christ's sake. The world will never be redeemed but for Christ's sake. Our name, however illustrious it may be among men, before God stands only for inconsistency and sin. But there is a name, a potent name, a blessed name, a glorious name, an everlasting name, that we may put upon our lips as a sacrament and upon our forehead as a crown, and that is the name of Jesus, our divine Jonathan, who stripped himself of his robe and put on our rage and gave us his sword and took our broken reed; so that now, whether we are well or sick, whether we are living or dying, if we speak that name it moves heaven to the center, and God says: "Let the poor soul come in. Carry him up into the throne room of the palace. Though he may have been in exile, though sin may have crippled him on this side, and sorrow may have crippled him on the other side, and he is lame in both his feet, bring him up into the palace, for I want to show him everlasting kindness for Jonathan's sake."

Again, Mephibosheth in my text stands for the disabled human soul lifted to the King's table. It was more difficult in those times even than it is now for common men to get into a royal dining room. The subjects might have come around the rail of the palace and might have seen the lights kindled, and might have heard the clash of the knives and the rattle of the golden goblets, but not get in. Stout men with stout feet could not get in once in all their lives to one banquet, yet poor Mephibosheth goes in, lives there and is every day at the table. Oh, what a getting up in the world it was for poor Mephibosheth! Well, though you and I may be woefully lamed with sin, for our divine Jonathan's sake I hope we will all get in to dine with the King.

Before dining we must be introduced. If you are invited to a company of persons where there are distinguished people present, you are introduced: "This is the Senator." "This is the Governor." "This is the President." Before we sit down at the King's table in heaven I think we will want to be introduced. Oh, what a time that will be when you and I, by the grace of God, get into heaven and are introduced to the mighty spirits there, and some one will say, "This is Joshua." "This is Paul." "This is Moses." "This is John Knox." "This is John Milton." "This is Martin Luther." "This is George Whitefield." Oh, shall we have any strength left after such a round of celestial introductions? Yea, we shall be potentates ourselves. Then we shall sit down at the King's table with the sons and daughters of God, and one will whisper across the table to us and say, "Behold what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us that we should be called the sons of God!" And some one at the table will say: "How long will it last? All other banquets at which I sat ended. How long will this last?" And Paul will answer, "Forever!" and Joshua will say, "Forever!" and John Knox will say, "Forever!" and George Whitefield will say, "Forever!"

A Glorious Gospel.

And the wine at that banquet will be old wine; it will be very old wine; it will be the oldest wine of heaven; it will be the wine that was trodden out from the red clusters on the day when Jesus trod the wine press alone. Wine already more than eighteen centuries old. All our earthly imperfections completely covered up and hidden. Mephibosheth's feet under the table. Kingly fare. Kingly vesture. Kingly companionship. We shall reign for ever and ever. I think that banquet will mean more to those who had it hard in this world than to those who had it easy. That banquet in David's palace meant more to Mephibosheth than to any one else, because he had been poor and crippled and despised and rejected. And that man who in this world is blind will better appreciate the light of heaven than we who in this world had good eyesight. And that man who in this world was deaf will better appreciate the music of heaven than we who in this world had good hearing. And those who will have a higher appreciation of the easy locomotion of that land who in this world were Mephibosheths.

O my soul, what a magnificent gospel! It takes a man so low down and raises him so high! What a gospel! Come now, who wants to be banqueted and impaled? As when Wilberforce was trying to get the emancipation bill through the British Parliament and all the British Isles were anxious to hear of the passage of that emancipation bill, when a vessel was coming into port and the captain of the vessel knew that the people were so anxious to get the tidings, he stepped out on the prow of the ship and shouted to the people long before he got up to the dock, "Free!" and they cried it, and they shouted it, and they sang it all through the land, "Free, free!" So to-day I would like to sound the news of your present and your eternal emancipation until the angels of God hovering in the air and watchmen on the battlements and bellmen in the town cry it, shout it, sing it, ring it, "Free, free!" I come out now as the messenger of the palace to invite Mephibosheth to come up. I am here to-day to tell you that God has a wealth of kindness to bestow upon you for his Son's sake. The doors of the palace are open already put the chalice on the table, and the great, loving, tender, sympathetic heart of God bends over you this moment, saying, "Is there any that is yet left of the house of Saul, that I may show him kindness for Jonathan's sake?"

Nearly as Bad.

Telling what we have heard to another's disadvantage is not so bad as starting a slander without provocation, but it is next to it. Slanders do more harm through being repeated by those who just tell what they have heard than through being first told by the one who invented them. If a slanderer could find no one to pass along his slanders without being sure as to their truth or falsity, he would have no success in his occupation. "Where no wood is, there the fire goeth out; so where there is no talebearer, the strife ceaseth." Before we tell anything to another's discredit we should first know (not merely think it is true, and then we should be sure that good is to come of its repeating.

"Evil is wrought by want of thought As well as want of heart."

The bones of the skull are arched because in that form the greatest strength is combined with the least weight and quantity of material.

Good advice and timely assistance alleviate much human suffering.

STATE OF MICHIGAN.

OCCURRENCES DURING THE PAST WEEK.

Geo. King of Muskegon Sues His Attorneys—Battle Creek Struggling Over the Bicycle and Dog Questions—Many Ironwood Mines Shut Down.

Peculiar Insurance Suit.

George W. King, of Muskegon, has begun suit against Francis W. Cook and James O'Hara, attorneys of Muskegon, the Grand Rapids Fire Insurance Company, the Detroit Fire and Marine, and the Westchester Fire Insurance Company of New York to recover the amount of three insurance policies, out of which he is alleged to have been defrauded. King is the man who a short time ago was arrested with Mrs. Mary Hughson in Muskegon on the charge of murdering the latter's husband. Mrs. Hughson was tried and acquitted and King was released. In his bill of complaint King alleges that he turned over to his attorneys, Cook and O'Hara, fire insurance policies amounting to \$3,700, covering his stock of drugs, as security for his indebtedness to them for the expenses incurred for his defense. His stock of drugs was destroyed by fire and suit was begun in the Muskegon Circuit Court to recover on the policies. King charges that Cook and O'Hara connived with the insurance companies and accepted half of the amount of the policies and discontinued the suit without his consent and after he had notified the companies that he would not consent to such a settlement. King claims that the policies were given to the attorneys as collateral security and that they had no right to settle with the companies. He claims the value of the policies far exceeded the amount he owed them for services.

Will Be Enforced.

The new Battle Creek ordinance requiring all bicycle riders to carry lighted lamps after dark is now in effect. There is much interest over the ordinance, and many of the riders have not bought lamps because they think it only a bluff, and that the law will not be enforced. On the other hand the chief of police declares that he will enforce it to the letter. Another law that is concerning the public is the dog tax law. It was passed last year, and the people universally observed it, 800 taking out dog licenses. The licenses should have all been renewed, but only 120 have paid up and got their tags. The chief of police now instructs the boys to bring in the unlicensed dogs to the pound and get their reward. He will also strictly enforce this law. In consequence there will be a howl in two ways.

Many Miners Made Idle.

An extensive shut-down occurred at all of the mines of the Metropolitan Iron and Land Company at Ironwood, and fully 1,500 men are forced into idleness. The Metropolitan group of mines include the Norrie, East Norrie and Pabst, and their average yearly shipments combined are about 1,000,000 tons of ore. The cause of the shut-down is the slight demand for iron ore, the fact that they have in stock piles about 500,000 tons of ore and that the season is so far advanced with sales of only about 100,000 tons. The forces were reduced about a month ago, and the management has made every effort to sell its product, but outside of a few small sales they have been unable to place their ore. The furnaces are running upon the productions of the smaller mines, which shaded prices made by the pool to which the larger ones belong.

Miss Shirley Ward Wins Honors.

Miss Shirley D. Ward, of Decatur, is the best speller in the public schools of Michigan, having won that title in a State spelling contest inaugurated by the superintendent of public instruction, which has been in progress over a year. The several schools in each township first ascertained their best speller. These contested for the county championship, and to each of the winners in the latter class was given a selected list of 800 words by the several county superintendents of schools. In the latter contest Miss Ward had the largest percentage.

Think Salaries Are Too High.

In many counties in southern Michigan the grange societies are petitioning the Boards of Supervisors to decrease the salaries of county officials. The increase in State and county taxation, together with the depressed condition of agriculture, is given as the reason for the request. In Berrien County the Supervisors have responded by cutting the treasurer's salary \$500 and reducing the rate for the dieting of prisoners in the county jail. If the project is successful the plan is to be tried in other agricultural regions where the grange societies are a political factor.

Short State Items.

Marinus Remeunes and John Van De-wal were thrown out of a boat at Kalamazoo and Remeunes was drowned.

Wilson Hathaway, of Buchanan, a brakeman on a local Michigan Central freight, caught his foot in a frog at Kalamazoo and had both legs cut off and skull crushed. He died in one hour.

Rev. J. P. McCarthy, of Muskegon, has stirred up the people by declaring from his pulpit that he noticed a saloon open after hours; "but hush, don't say anything about it, for a prominent city official owns the building and gets the rent."

The dead body of Jennie Gray, aged 17 years, was found on an undisturbed bed in Nelson Hawley's home at Kalamazoo Sunday morning. How she came there is a mystery. A bottle containing morphine was found on a table in an adjacent room. The girl had bled from the mouth until the blood had run down through the bed. Miss Gray left the home of her parents in the country on account of family trouble and went to live with Hawley and his wife, but was rooming in another part of the city.

August Parent, a woodsman in the employ of the Manistee Lumber Company, was instantly killed by a falling tree. His home was at Osceola, where the remains were sent for burial.

The four men charged with larceny from the steamer Nyack on the high seas were arraigned before United States Court Commissioner Snow at Muskegon. The testimony showed that John Green, who was a member of the crew, was the man who broke into the cargo and threw stuff overboard. He was held to the Federal grand jury at Grand Rapids. The other three were released.

At South Haven, the planing mill of Worthington Brothers was totally destroyed by fire. Loss, \$5,000; insured for \$2,000.

The electric light plant at Ontonagon has been running behind several thousand dollars per year, and the Council will raise the rates for private lighting considerably in order to make both ends meet.

Orin Ormsbee, a young man of 22 years, was drowned at Trout Creek, Ontonagon County, last week. He tried to cross a pond on some logs and slipped and fell in.

The boiler of a freight engine on the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad exploded at Tromby Siding, killing Engineer Stonehouse and badly scalding Fireman F. E. Brel and Brakeman Conrad Gorgens.

The Board of Supervisors of Dickinson County has offered a reward of \$1,000 for the arrest and conviction of the persons who attempted some weeks ago to blow up Capt. Goldsworthy's residence at Iron Mountain.

The Council of Pineckney has adopted a curfew ordinance, and after it goes into effect, in three weeks, children under the age of 15 must be in their homes at 9 o'clock. During the winter months the time will be 7:30 p. m.

Land Commissioner French of Michigan has received a patent for 5,000 acres of choice lands in the upper peninsula from the Federal Government. On Aug. 13 they will be offered at auction at an upset price of \$8 per acre.

The mystery surrounding the death of Jennie Gray, of Kalamazoo, was cleared up by evidence given by physicians before the coroner's jury that she died from Bright's disease of the kidneys. A verdict according was rendered.

Frank Fluett, of Pineckney, who had his face so badly burned and lacerated on the Fourth by the premature explosion of a lot of powder, is slowly recovering, and, although he will be horribly disfigured for life, his eyesight will be saved.

A Brown City driver who had an idea that cyclists had no rights on the road ran one into a ditch and then laughed at him. The cyclist had the fellow arrested, and the judge thought a fine of about \$40 would assist him to remember that others have a right to ride on a highway.

The Grand Rapids and Indiana road has been trying a new idea for electric lighting on one of its trains. A windmill two feet in diameter is placed in front of the locomotive and generates the electricity necessary for lighting the train. A storage battery is used, so that the lights will not go out when the train stops.

T. H. Otten, a drunken Detroit horse-shoer, shot his wife, the bullet lodging in her shoulder, and also shot Mrs. Henry Desruisse, at whose house Mrs. Otten had been staying, she having left her home on account of her husband's dissipated and dangerous habits. Mrs. Desruisse was shot in the abdomen. Both women will probably recover.

The semi-annual report of Prosecuting Attorney Randall, of Washtenaw County, shows that up to July 1 of this year he has prosecuted 255 cases. Of these, 190 have been convicted, 2 acquitted, 42 discharged on payment of costs, 13 not prosessed, 5 discharged on examination, 3 escaped, and settled. During the past year and a half he has prosecuted 678 cases.

There is quite a scrap up in Montmorency County because Thomas Sheridan is trying to hold down the two offices of supervisor and county clerk. At a recent session, the board refused to recognize him as a supervisor, and he refused, as county clerk, to give up the county tax roll until he was recognized. Neither side would give in, and the courts will decide whether he can legally hold the two offices.

Suit was begun at Benton Harbor by Attorney Hammond to test the constitutionality of the new law relative to justices of the peace. The suit is being backed by nearly all of the justices in that part of the State who were ousted by the new law. The circuit judge will be asked to grant a mandamus requiring one of the ex-justices to issue a summons in a case and if it is refused the case will go direct to the Supreme Court.

Shipping facilities are entirely inadequate to handle the immense crop of fruit and berries in the Benton Harbor region. All the boats are loaded to the gunwale. The Big Four announces a fast train to Indianapolis, Cincinnati and Louisville, thus affording an entirely new market. Arrangements are being made for shipments to Buffalo, New York and other Eastern points. A market will be established where peaches may be bought in large quantities.

James Magee, a well-known Detroit boxer and wrestler, was called to the door of his home early Wednesday morning by an unknown man and was shot dead as he appeared at the threshold. Magee's mother, who had answered the ring, was a witness of the deed. The police are looking for Frank Ashley, a saloonkeeper, who is suspected of the crime. Ashley had sworn revenge on Magee for having whipped Ashley's brother. The latter has been arrested as a witness.

Grand Rapids is thronged with visiting furniture men—buyers and sellers. The buyers, especially those from the West, complain that the spring retail trade was very dull and unsatisfactory, and there is no disposition in any quarter to place large orders. The orders will be small and diversified, the buyers taking a little of everything that strikes them as being good, and then if business opens up more favorably in the fall they will send in duplicate orders. The number of sellers from out of town is not so large as in former years, many of the manufacturers who sent salesmen and opened headquarters of their own in the past having placed their lines with commission houses as a means of economy. Last July retail expositions were given in New York city, Minneapolis and Rockford, but Grand Rapids is the only town this year that has a fall "opening."

The Board of Supervisors, in session at Allegan, voted to call a special election to vote on local option, to be held Aug. 17. Twelve hundred and seventeen names were stricken from the petitions, but still there was an excess over the number required of 401.

No. 6 shaft of the Osceola mine at Houghton has been connected with the older workings of the mine on the fourteenth level, 1,400 feet below the surface. The new shaft will soon be available for increased production. The sinking of this large shaft has been accomplished in the shortest time on record.

DEATH IN THE WRECK

AWFUL HEAD-END COLLISION AT LOGAN, IOWA.

East-Bound Flyer on the Northwestern Crashes Into an Excursion Train—Twenty-eight Persons Are Killed and Fifty-one Injured.

Horrors of the Disaster.

The overland flyer on the Chicago and Northwestern road crashed into a heavily laden picnic train near Logan, Iowa, forty miles east of Omaha, early Saturday evening. Twenty-eight people were killed and fifty-one injured, many of whom will die. Twenty-four of the dead are identified and the others are so badly mutilated that identification is hardly possible.

The list of the injured is a lengthy one. It contains twenty-eight or more names of persons who were seriously hurt, dangerously so, to a greater or less degree. In addition there were at least fifty, if not a greater number, who received injuries of a minor nature. These consisted of bruises and cuts or slight disfigurements which will practically amount to nothing. A considerable number also were shaken up severely, but beyond this were uninjured. This was especially the case among the passengers who occupied the cars immediately behind the one which was demolished.

The scene of wreck and death occurred in a piece of dense woods about three miles west of Logan. Both trains came together head on while traveling at the rate of fifty miles an hour and was caused by Engineer Montgomery of the picnic train mistaking orders. He should have waited on the siding at Logan until the passenger train and the fast overland flyer had passed. He only waited long enough for the passenger to fly by and then pulled out on the main track with the throttle wide open and a full head of steam on. The crash came so quickly that Montgomery had barely time to jump. The excursion train was composed of seventeen passenger cars, loaded with 1,500 men, women and children, mostly from Council Bluffs and Omaha. They were making merry, singing and shouting. The weight of the excursion train and the speed of the freight made the wreck a fearful one. The two engines were completely demolished and the first two cars of each train telescoped. The work of death was wrought in the first coach of the excursion train. In this were nearly 100 people and but a few of them escaped without injury. There was no warning, and with the wreck of the car came death or dangerous injury to almost every occupant. All of the coaches were badly shaken up, but the dead were confined to the first passenger coach.

FIVE KILLED.

Death Ends a United Workmen Picnic in Chicago.

A Wisconsin Central excursion to Schiller Park Sunday, under the auspices of the Ancient Order of United Workmen, of Chicago, was attended with disaster. Going out one section of the train was boarded by roughs, who beat and robbed the conductor and the engineer. Returning in the evening a section of the train comprising thirteen coaches crashed into two trains of empty coaches at Altonheim and was wrecked. In this collision five passengers were killed, five seriously injured, and many more slightly hurt. The scene of the accident was near the Madison street crossing. Just before the passenger train, south bound, reached the station it is stated the station agent had thrown the switch to allow a north bound freight train to proceed on its way, and it is said that through some mistake or neglect there was a failure to close the switch.

THOUSANDS CHANT IN UNISON.

Christian Endeavors Numbering 4,600 Sing.

A sight never before seen on this continent and probably not to be seen again by the present generation of men, was witnessed Sunday evening at the capital of the nation. On the historic eastern steps, where the Presidents of this country, one after another, have stood to deliver their inaugural addresses, a trained chorus of 4,600 men and women raised their voices for an hour in songs of praise to the Great Master. Beneath them stood an assembly of 40,000 or more members of the Society of Christian Endeavor from all parts of the Union. On the outskirts of this assembly of Christians stood 10,000 citizens of Washington, and beyond were ranged innumerable carriages filled with men and women. During this sublime service the Great Statue of Freedom on the dome, nearly 300 feet above the heads of the multitude, was ablaze with the luster of a setting sun. The capitol of the nation, from which have radiated the great events of the union for over 100 years, had never been the scene of such a ceremony. This service of song was the crowning glory of the great religious convention in Washington. It was the one event of the meeting which possessed an interest to all men, whether viewed as a great spectacle or as an outburst of religious fervor. It had been looked forward to for months. It will be remembered by those who saw it forevermore.

FIERCE FIRE IN NASHVILLE.

Property Valued at \$300,000 Is Destroyed by Flames and Water.

Sunday afternoon one of the most important squares in Nashville, Tenn., was almost totally destroyed by fire, only four buildings standing and their contents are damaged. The fire originated in the five-story building of the Rosenheim Company, bisecting the square and having an L reaching to Cedar street, and from this communicated to all the buildings on the square. The losses to buildings and stocks are estimated to be from \$200,000 to \$500,000. The fire was difficult to control, the heat intense, and two firemen were injured, but not seriously.

Bernard Nellis was shot and killed by John Adler at St. Paul. Adler seems to be crazy, having a notion that everybody is trying to insult him. The men had some trouble last winter, and words passed before the shooting. Adler was arrested. He had tried to do some promiscuous shooting before killing Nellis, saying everybody that passed was jeering at him and insulting him.

Frank Friek, of Shelbyville, Ind., made some remarks derogatory to the character of a young woman and was fatally beaten by Joshua Walton, who escaped.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

There will be no preaching services at the Baptist church next Sabbath on account of the pastor's attendance at the B. Y. P. U. national convention held in Milwaukee July 16-20. Pastor Biss, Wm. E. Keeler, Eva Fenton, Jennie Robertson, delegates to the same. S. S. and B. Y. P. U. as usual.

Congregational church, H. Appleton, pastor. Services 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Subject for the morning, "Where Is God?" Sabbath school at the close of morning service. Junior C. E., 4 p. m.: subject, "What Ought We to Read and How?" Y. P. S. C. E., 6:30 p. m.: subject, "Books and Reading. How to Get Good Therefrom." Teachers' meeting, Monday, 7:30 p. m. Prayer meeting, Thursday, 7:30 p. m. All are made welcome at all services.

BAPTIST AID SOCIETY.

The Baptist Aid society will meet in the church parlors Friday, July 17. Business meeting promptly at 4 p. m. Supper at the usual hours. The 4th division will entertain; chairman, Mrs. Kittie Keeler. Reception committee, Mesdames Brown, Caldwell, M. S. Keeler, Miss Robertson. All are cordially invited.

Personal.

FREE—64-page medical reference book to any person afflicted with any special, chronic or delicate disease peculiar to their sex. Address the leading physicians and surgeons of the United States, Dr. Hartway & Co., 70 Dearborn street, Chicago. 21-52

Apricot culture is something out of the ordinary in this state, but there is an orchard near Otsego which is producing fruit this year said to be of as good quality as the California article, although not quite so large.

"Wake up, Jacob, day is breaking!" so said DeWitt's Little Early Risers to the man who had taken them to arouse his sluggish liver. Dr. Nelson Abbott.

The City bank of Lansing has failed, capital stock \$150,000 assets \$220,000. Hon. Seymour Foster of Lansing has been appointed as receiver.

Persons who have a coughing spell every night, on account of a tickling sensation in the throat, may overcome it at once by a dose of One Minute Cough Cure. Dr. Nelson Abbott.

DETROIT DRIVING CLUB MEETING.

The Michigan Central will sell tickets at one fare for round trip to Detroit plus \$1.00 for admission. Sale of tickets July 21 only, limit to return until July 22 inclusive. J. E. GOGLE, 28-2 Local Agent.

Mrs. Rhodie Noah, of this place, was taken in the night with cramping pains and the next day diarrhoea set in. She took half a bottle of blackberry cordial but got no relief. She then sent to me to see if I had anything that would help her. I sent her a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy and the first dose relieved her. Another of our neighbors had been sick for about a week and had tried different remedies for diarrhoea but kept getting worse. I sent him this same remedy. Only four doses of it were required to cure him. He says he owes his recovery to this wonderful remedy. —Mrs. Mary Sibley, Sidney, Mich. For sale by J. W. Armstrong, druggist. 27-5

CAMP MEETING.

A rate of one fare for round trip will be given to Eaton Rapids and return from July 21 to August 1, inclusive, limit for return August 4. 27-5 J. E. GOGLE, Local Agent.

Readers of THE SUN answering advertisements found in its columns will please say the advertisement was "Read in THE MIDDLEVILLE SUN."

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy cures colds, croup and whooping cough. It is pleasant, safe and reliable. For sale by J. W. Armstrong, druggist. 27-5

ADVERTISED LETTERS.

MIDDLEVILLE P. O., July 11, 1896. Letters addressed to persons named below remain unclaimed in this office and will be sent to the Dead Letter Office if not claimed by July 25, 1896:

NAMES.

Mr. George Richards Mrs. Leola Clark Please say "advertised" when asking for advertised letters. DAVID MATTASON, Postmaster.

Pass the good word along the line. Piles can be quickly cured without an operation by simply applying DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. Dr. Nelson Abbott.

A willowy form.
A steed of steel,
A firm control
Of the whirling wheel.

A glint of ribbons,
Of hose, of lace,
A healthy glow on
A pretty face.

A graceful movement,
A bewitching smile—
And the girl is down
The road—a mile.

Salt Lake City Herald.

YOUR BOY WON'T LIVE A MONTH.

So Mr. Gilman Brown, of 34 Mill St., South Gardner, Mass., was told by the doctors. His son had lung trouble, following typhoid malaria, and he spent three hundred and seventy-five dollars with doctors, who finally gave him up, saying: "Your boy won't live a month." He tried Dr. King's New Discovery and a few bottles restored him to health and enabled him to go to work a perfectly well man. He says he owes his present good health to use of Dr. King's New Discovery, and knows it to be the best in the world for lung trouble. Trial bottles free at J. W. Armstrong's drug store. 4

M. S. KEELER & CO.

MID-SUMMER CLEARANCE SALE.

Commencing Saturday, July 18th,
Closing Saturday, August 1, 1896.

During these two weeks we shall endeavor to make this Mid-Summer Clearing Sale eclipse all other sales by selling our entire line of Dry Goods, Clothing, Shoes, etc., at the lowest prices ever named.

We have a larger stock than we care for at this season of the year and the only way is to make a clean sweep of the whole stock and put prices down where customers will recognize at once that they are bargains.

Note these prices and consider how much you can save by patronizing this sale.

Dress Goods	Wash Goods	Linens.	Domestics.
\$1.00 Fine Serges at 87c	25c Imported Organdies 19c	75c Table Linens 63c	All Best Prints at 5c
75 " " " 67c	19c Organdies and Mulls 14c	50c " " 43c	" 5c " " 4c
50 " " " 43c	15c " " " 10c	40c " " 34c	Lonsdale 4-4 Cotton at 7c
50 Fancy Novelties 43c	10c " " " 8c	25c " " 21c	Fruit of Loom at 7c
25 " " " 21c	15c Percales 12c	12½c Linen Crash 10c	Good yd wide Cotton 4½c
All Dress Linings and Trimmings marked down for this sale.	12½c Percales 10c	10c " " 8c	Arguile Heavy 5c
Now is the time to buy Dress Goods.	8c Dress Gingham 5c	Good " " 5c	Best Shirtings 8c
	Staple ck " 5c	Napkins, Towels, etc., all go at low prices.	Good " 6½c
	Cotton Challies 3c		Good Outing Flannel 5c
	15c Wool Challies 10c		12½c " " 9c
	25c " " 19c		

1-4 OFF CLOTHING 1-4 OFF

We must reduce our Clothing stock two thousand dollars at least, to make room for Fall Goods. To accomplish this we shall sell our entire line of Men's, Youths' and Boys' Suits

One-Quarter Off Regular Price, which brings most of it below wholesale prices, but money is what we need now.



Odd Pants One lot of \$4.00 and \$5.00 Pants to go at \$3.48
" " " 2.50 " 3.00 " " " " 1.78
" " " Cottonade " " " " .58

Don't let this opportunity slip by. Give it your careful consideration.

Gents' Furnishings.	SHOES.	Carpets, Rugs, Etc.	GROCERIES.
All Straw Hats ¼ off	Choice Ladies' Fine Shoes \$2.48	Lowell Ingrain Carpets 53c	20lb Granulated Sugar \$1.00
\$1.25 Negligee Shirts 98c	\$2.75 " " " 2.19	Extra Super " 49c	22lb Light C " 1.00
1.00 " " 87c	2.50 " " " 2.00	All Wool " 46c	10lb Rolled Oats .25
.75 " " 66c	2.00 " " " 1.78	" " Filling 34c	50c Japan Tea .43
White Shirts, Cuffs, Collars, Suspenders, Neckwear, Hosiery, etc.	1.50 " " " 1.29	30c Mattings 23c	32c " " .26
Buy what you need now.	Choice of all Oxfords 1.29	25c " 20c	7 bars Lenox and Jackson Soap .25
	All other Shoes cut in like manner.	Lace Curtains, Rugs at a Big Discount.	Lyon and XXXX Coffee .21
	Largest stock to select from.		Best Gloss Starch .05
			Best Soda .05
			25c Fine Cut Tobacco .21

REMNANTS Everybody knows how we sell remnants. Our counters will be full of Remnants in Table Linens, Cottons, Prints, all kinds of Wash Goods, Linings, Dress Goods, odds and ends in Clothing, Shoes, etc., that must go, if we don't get half price for them. We want everyone to attend this sale whether you wish to buy or not.

Yours for business,

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