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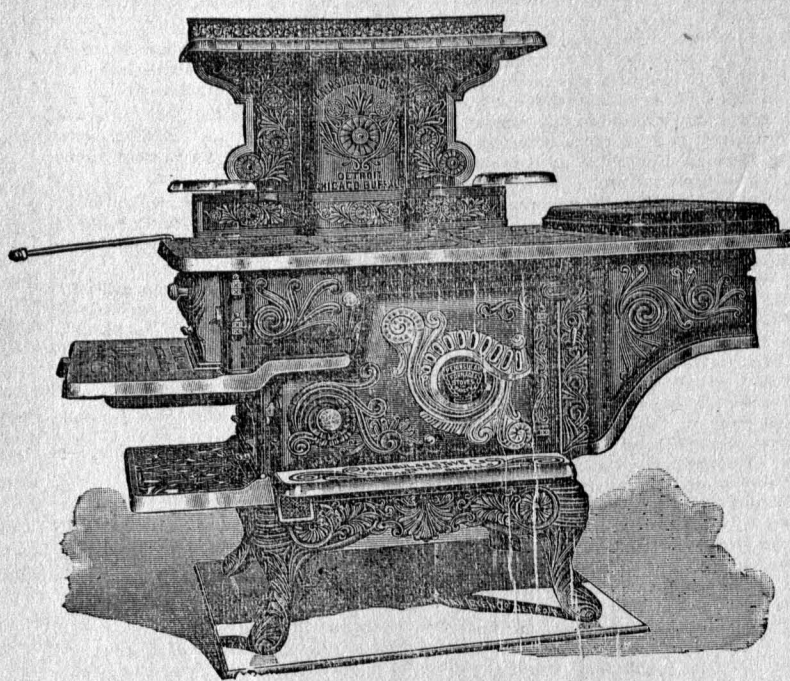
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NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES.

BOWEN'S MILLS.

Farmers are as busy as bees; as much so as though it were harvest time. All kinds of work in a heap, such as cutting corn, putting in wheat and rye and fitting ground for the same.

The republicans of this locality will have a pole raising Friday afternoon, Sept. 11. The meeting will be addressed by Col. A. L. Morrison of Wisconsin. Speaking commences at 2:30 p. m.

Walter Bechtel of Grand Rapids visited friends here over Sunday, making his trip on a wheel.

Presiding Elder Cogshall preached here Sunday at quarterly meeting.

Miss Kittie Baird is visiting friends in Hastings.

Ernie Conrad and family of Otsego visited Austin Hunt last week.

Mrs. Bert Armstrong, who has been very sick and under the doctor's care, is slowly recovering.

Mrs. Fred DuMaresq has been quite sick, but is better at this writing.

School convened Tuesday with Matie Crookston as teacher.

Jerry Boynton, the railroad magnate, with his family visited here and Street-er's resort one day last week in the interest of his road. Jerry says no such thing as failure.

We venture to say that Monday evening was the most noted one of all, that is to say, it brought together the most people throughout the state of Michigan with the one object in view, than all the rest of other meetings combined. And that is the laws of the state said it should be school meeting to render an account of the past year and to make arrangements for year to come and transact such other business as pertains to the meeting.

CALEDONIA CULLINGS.

J. D. Malcolm is in the city for a few days.

School opened Tuesday with the usual large enrollment.

Large numbers from this place were in attendance at the state fair Wednesday and Thursday.

J. L. Goshert was present at the St. Joe conference the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Amon are delighted over a 9 lb. baby girl.

W. H. Seibert and wife and Henry Brower took advantage of the Petoskey excursion.

Mrs. Tobias Bergy and daughter, Vera, of Mt. Pleasant, formerly of this place, are visiting their many friends here.

Revs. C. B. Whitaker and Albert Eby are attending the Brethren conference this week.

Little Rea Kinsey celebrated her 4th birthday last Friday by inviting in a few of her little friends. Of course their mothers were there too, and all succeeded in having a jolly good time.

O. C. Whitney and wife returned last Monday evening from a two weeks' visit with relatives in the north.

Miss Maud Kennedy and gentleman friend from the city called on friends in the village last Sunday.

Mrs. W. G. Douglas was reminded of her birthday last Tuesday when a number of friends suddenly appeared at her home. They seemed to have come prepared, as it was not long before all manner of good things were in view. After dinner she was presented with a set of dishes and numerous articles of wearing apparel.

Albert Eby and Ettie Sherk were married last week Wednesday evening at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Meno Sherk. A number of relatives and friends were invited to witness the happy nuptials.

Mrs. Lymanstall and Hettie Kraft have returned from their western trip and will soon open their millinery rooms formerly occupied by Jas. E. Gray.

Ministers are arriving on each train to attend the United Brethren conference held in this place which commenced Thursday, Sept. 10. Bishop Kephart and Presiding Elder Bridenstein are in attendance.

A surprise donation was tendered Rev. Goshert last Tuesday evening. The crowd was large and the giving most liberal.

DORR DOTS.

From the Record. Both hotels in this village have opened their bars.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Will Douglas, Sept. 2, a girl.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Mellish of Salem, twins, a boy and girl.

Patrick Haley and son, Ed, of Leighton have bought two lots, known as the Welsh property, at Moline, and will

put up a building immediately to be used for a saloon, which they expect to have running within two months.

EAST CALEDONIA.

Clara Brown is entertaining company from Kalamazoo.

The peach and cream social at W. H. LyBarker's Wednesday evening was not very well attended, it being a stormy evening.

Grandma Rathbun is visiting her sons, James and Samuel, of Charlotte.

Mr. Barnes of Caledonia was calling on friends in this neighborhood Sunday.

Mrs. G. C. Baker of Grand Rapids is visiting friends at the farm.

L. A. Rathbun of Albion, Ind., was visiting his brothers, Frank and Levi, last week.

School meeting Monday evening, L. C. Rathbun re-elected assessor.

IRVING INKLINGS.

Epworth League next Sunday evening will be led by G. R. Brown. Subject, "Enemies Through Greed of Gain." Matt. xxv:3-5.

The political debate Tuesday evening was largely attended and the gold bugs were well suited with the way their side was represented.

Our town was well represented at Grand Rapids Monday, as also at the fair through the week.

Miss Alma Strong returned to Grand Rapids last Saturday.

Fred Betts returned to Holland Saturday. He expects to go to Chicago this week to commence the study of medicine. His success is surely looked for.

J. A. Robertson will sail for home this week Saturday afternoon. It is hoped he may have a safe voyage.

J. T. Pierson and son, Morris, will attend the Plainwell fair.

Everybody is cutting corn and looking for frosts. Good thing to have something to make us hurry up.

Mrs. L. Baldwin entertained her nephew and wife from Iowa last week. Our school opened Monday.

NORTH IRVING.

Chicken pie social at John Trego's next week Saturday evening. Everybody invited.

Remember the Aid at the grange hall this week Saturday p. m.

We are all not very well, thank you, at present, but none of us seriously ill.

Mrs. Southerland is at Union City at present, visiting her daughter, Lillie Gould.

Miss Flora Trego will be found most of the time now at Rutland No. 1, while Rena will be at Cobb's school-house, having commenced their work last Monday.

Chicken thieves are too numerous to be enjoyed at present. Say, we've got something for you if you "don't—watch—out."

Rev. R. D. Freeman preaches his last sermon for this year here next Sunday at 2:30, leaving the following morning for conference which is held at Lansing this year.

Mrs. Hubbard's mother, Mrs. Burt, has returned to her home at Hickory Corners.

Scott Sherwood and wife of Grand Rapids are visiting here at present.

Low Matthews visited us again recently.

Della Gams of Carlton visited at John Trego's, Sunday.

Mr. Quigley has been quite ill the past few days.

Mrs. Cobb visited Irving friends the last of the week.

Mesdames Mitchell, Cobb, Roberts and Trego attended the Irving Aid last Friday.

Don't trifle away time when you have cholera morbus or diarrhoea. Fight them in the beginning with DeWitt's Colic and Cholera Cure. You don't have to wait for results, they are instantaneous, and it leaves the bowels in healthy condition. Dr. Nelson Abbott.

One knock-down and two highway robberies occurred in Grand Rapids on Monday evening and many pickpockets were arrested, and many were not, during the parade held the same day. Grand Rapids is a great city for one of her size and is sure to keep abreast of the times.

A VALUABLE PRESCRIPTION.

Editor Morrison of Worthington, Ind., "Sun," writes: "You have a valuable prescription in Electric Bitters, and I can cheerfully recommend it for constipation and sick headache, and as a general system tonic it has no equal." Mrs. Annie Stehle, 2625 Cottage Grove Avenue, Chicago, was all run down, could not eat nor digest food, had a headache which never left her and felt tired and weary, but six bottles of Electric Bitters restored her health and renewed her strength. Prices 50 cents and \$1.00. Get a bottle at J. W. Armstrong's drug store.

PARMELEE PICKINGS.

The clever postmaster from your village appeared to his friends in Parmelee last Saturday afternoon, and as is usual in his case, was warmly welcomed by all.

Considerable wheat sowed in Parmelee.

A number of the boys who have made a business of cutting corn in this locality in years past have jumped the jobs this year—you know why—and the poor farmer is now obliged to do his own humping. Corn 8 cents per basket, and no sale.

Backwheat looks promising and if the frost holds off then we will hear that new word "overproduction" which came into use about ten years ago.

If the weather continues favorable A. E. Bass will have another crop of cherries soon. His trees are in full blossom.

Attorney M. F. Jordan was in Parmelee calling on friends Wednesday afternoon.

There is less oppression shown among our people during the past week than heretofore. Humanity seems to be the watchword now, and the desire to see somebody crushed out of existence is fast fading away.

Mrs. E. K. Parmelee is "enjoying" very poor health at present.

John Kepy is very busy this week bailing hay and straw for the farmers in Irving.

Mr. Gaskell raised the flag and commenced school in Parmelee district Monday.

James Kepy and wife of Lakeview, are now residents of Windmill street.

Mrs. William Bass of Lakeview, visited Mr. Bass' people last Sunday.

The writer of these lines spent Sunday with Thomas Scott and J. D. Kenyon of West Thornapple. Politics of course.

Our merchant is confined very closely at home these days from the effects of some dental work of which he was the most prominent personage, being the man who acted as chairman on the occasion.

Samuel Carlisle and wife of Middleville, spent Sunday afternoon with friends in Parmelee. Sam left some good stories as usual. On account of being absent we were obliged to take them second handed. Come again.

"Dude" White continues to do a rushing business with his cider mill.

Mrs. Andy Chestnut of Hillsdale, is visiting Mrs. George Sweet and other friends in this neighborhood. We hear that Mrs. Sweet will accompany her to Ashton, Oceana county, next Monday.

Our merchant's wife made a successful trip on horse back to East Thornapple last Sunday and called on her sister, Mrs. Richard Clark.

Mrs. Abrams and son Leon spent Saturday and Sunday with Robert Allen's people on East Church street.

We have a felon on our hand but consider it nothing compared with the gold standard.

FLORIDA'S FREEZE.

Every one of our readers has heard about the terrible freeze that swept across the southern part of the United States the winter of '94 and '95, and how it destroyed over one hundred million dollars worth of property in the shape of orange groves and pineapple plantations. As it took a number of years to bring these groves up to a bearing point the loss was the more severe. Any other state meeting with such a disaster would have had to call for outside aid; but the citizens of Florida went to work and besides making a living, are again building up their groves and plantations. Those interested in how this is being accomplished should read the advertisement of the Florida Agriculturist in another column. This paper has been established nearly a quarter of a century and is a pioneer in all agricultural and horticultural matters. Sample copies can be secured by sending a 2 cent stamp to the publishers, E. O. Painter & Co., DeLand, Fla.

A Star chapter has been organized at Port Sanilac.

THE IDEAL PANACEA.

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LI HUNG CHANG HERE

AGED CHINESE STATESMAN
GIVEN ROYAL WELCOME.

The Earl's Reception an Enthusiastic
Affair—Met by General Ruger, the
Official Representative of President
Cleveland.

Warships Fire Noisy Salutes.

Li Hung Chang, China's Bismarck and
greatest diplomat, arrived in New York
City on the American Line steamship
St. Louis Friday afternoon. He was ac-
companied by his son, adopted son and
a suite of about forty persons, and land-
ed at the American Line wharf, at the
foot of Fulton street, North River. From
the time the St. Louis was sighted off
Fire Island at 9 o'clock until she ar-
rived at her dock the Ambassador was
made aware that he is a welcome guest
in the United States. The residents of Fire
Island saluted him with nineteen guns
and flying flags. His arrival in the upper
bay was followed by the booming of can-
non on the White Fleet. On the way into
port the dispatch boat Dolphin, having on
board Gen. Ruger, Chinese Minister Yang
and representatives of the State Depart-
ment, ran alongside of the St. Louis.

They were the first
to formally welcome the Ambassador to
the United States. Gen. Ruger, on behalf
of the President, gave him the freedom
of the country. On arriving at the dock
the Ambassador was welcomed by eighty
of his fellow-countrymen. They stood in
a line three deep, surrounded by palms
and facing a strip of red felt, placed for
Li Hung Chang to walk upon. The Chi-
namen were in holiday attire and headed
by Consuls General Sze, of New York
City, and Wy Yu, of Cuba.

Pleased with His Reception.

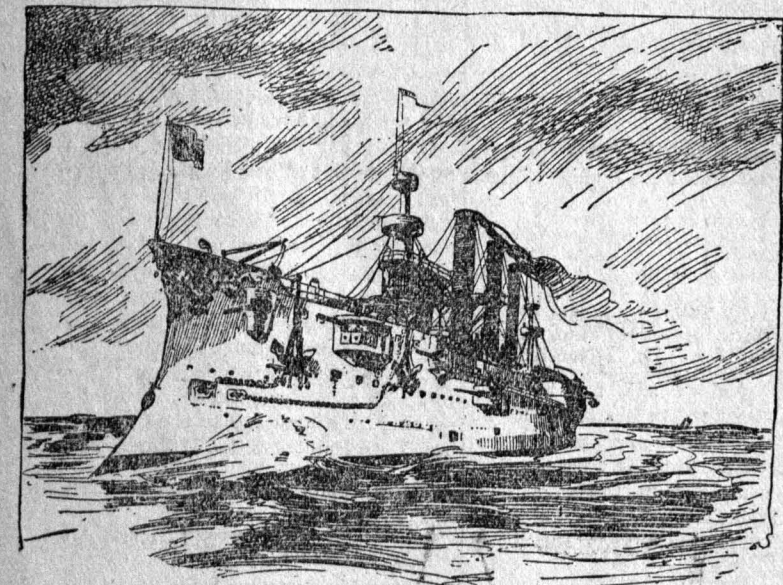
Earl Li, accustomed as he is to pomp
and ostentatious ceremony, was evidently
pleased with his reception. His mobile
face assumed a placid, smiling expression
and his manner, while dignified, was easy
and unobtrusive. He looked well, too.
While he is an aged man, time has not
cut many marks on his strong face. He
stood the voyage well and was not trou-
bled with illness of any kind. Drawn up
to receive the Emperor of China's repre-
sentative were eighty blue jackets of the
First Battalion, New York State Naval
Reserve, under the command of Lieuten-
ant Commander George E. Kent, Lieut.
W. H. Staylor and Ensigns Macfarlane
and Mouton. They formed a guard of
honor from the steamship to the space on
the wharf set apart and decorated for his
reception. The amateur tars, the palms,
the red decorations and bowing and bend-
ing mandarins in their gaudy silks of
many colors made indeed an unusual and
picturesque scene. The Ambassador pass-



LI HUNG CHANG.

ed the ordeal of the reception and, taking
the elevator, ordinarily a baggage one, but
decorated and carpeted for the occasion,
was lowered to the dock below.

Saturday President Cleveland received
the nation's visitor at the residence of
William C. Whitney, after which Li re-



THE NEW UNITED STATES CRUISER BROOKLYN.

turned to the Waldorf, where in the evening
ex-Ministers to China gave a dinner
in his honor. For Sunday was slated only
one thing, that which Li asked for him-
self, a visit to the tomb of Gen. Grant, at
Riverside. The Earl's offering at the
tomb was a wreath of white, purple and
yellow. It signified death and fame and
the sunlight of imperial favor, and was
the tribute of a great statesman to a
great commander. Carrying the wreath
in his hand, Li entered the tomb and for
twenty minutes stood reverentially by the
sarcophagus. He was, indeed, a sorrow-
ing friend. It was a profound obeisance

in which his forehead nearly touched the
stone coffin in which Gen. Grant's remains
rest. Then he placed the wreath upon it,
and for ten minutes stood with his head
bowed so low that his face was half ob-
scured. Before leaving the temporary
tomb he again bowed low toward the last
home of the great, and as he turned to
leave he said, through his interpreter: "I
have looked forward to this as one of the
most sacred of my obligations, and the
most religious of my duties to your coun-
try."

PILGRIMS FROM LABRADOR.

Come for the World's Fair, Now on
the Return Trip.

Apili and his wife, Helene, whose pic-
tures accompany this story, sailed from
Brooklyn a few days ago for their home,
near Davis Inlet, Labrador, which they
left four years ago to form a part of the
anthropological exhibit at the World's
Fair, where they were domiciled in the
Eskimo village. They have had varying
fortune since the Chicago show closed.
They traveled a part of the time with
Barnum's circus at a salary, as it is said,
of \$150 a week, yet they started for home
with nothing except some articles of
clothing, a few utensils that they have
accumulated, some trinkets that they have



APILI, WIFE AND GRANDDAUGHTER.

picked up in their journeys, and the
necessary outfit which thoughtful friends
in New York provided to enable Apili to
go hunting with when he arrives in Labra-
dor. Their passage was prepaid, and their
safe conduct arranged for not only during
the voyage to St. John's, but during their
stay there, as well as on the second
part of their journey, from there to their
home.

A dollar was all it was deemed safe to
entrust them with in cash, and the chances
are perhaps even that they will carry that
with them to their destination, or part
with it to the first nimble-witted talker
with whom they meet. For the Eskimo
who have come here do not seem to
acquire cunning in their dealings with the
whites, even after being swindled many
times. The little girl pictured with
Apili and Helene is their grandchild, and
she goes back with them as a reminder
of the World's Fair, where she was born,
and of Mrs. Potter Palmer, after whom
she was named Nancy Helene Columbia
Palmer. She appears to be a half-breed,
and her father is supposed to be in the
Labrador settlement, where Apili lives.

MADE GOOD TIME.

United States Cruiser Brooklyn Es-
tablishes a Fast Record.

The United States cruiser Brooklyn, on
her official trial trip the other day, aver-
aged 21.92 knots an hour, during a forced
draught run of four hours, and earned a

LI HUNG ARRIVES IN AMERICA WITH HIS COFFIN.

(The distinguished Oriental carries his coffin with him on his travels.)



Uncle Sam to Columbia—He must be an undertaker.

and the down trip was made at the rate
of 22.12 knots an hour, or an average of
21.92 for the 83 knots. It was on this leg
over a distance of seven knots that the
top-knot speed was attained. The sun
broke through the clouds as the finish was
being made. A broom was run up, flags
were unfurled, and the great ship return-
ed to harbor with the monster siren pulled
wide open, while the tugs and boats an-
swered back congratulations.

PRINCE LOBANOFF DEAD.

Russian Foreign Minister Passes
Away Very Suddenly.

A dispatch to the London Telegraph
from Kieff says that Prince Lobanoff.



PRINCE LOBANOFF-ROSTOVSKY.

Rostovsky, Russian Minister of Foreign
Affairs, died suddenly while traveling
from Vienna to that place. Prince Loban-
off-Rostovsky was in the company of the
Czar at the time of his death, and his de-
mise was wholly without warning.

The news of the death of Prince Loban-
off-Rostovsky, according to the dispatch
to the Telegraph, caused great excitement
throughout Russia, where the personality
of the Minister of Foreign Affairs was
considered to be second only to the Czar
himself. Prince Lobanoff-Rostovsky pur-
sued a strong foreign policy—a policy
which was regarded in some quarters as
threatening the peace of the world.

TRACTION ENGINES COLLIDE.

Rival Wheat Threshers Indulge in a
Novel Battle.

Near Lawrence, Kan., the other night
the steam traction threshing machine en-



DUEL BETWEEN TRACTION ENGINES.

gines owned by William Peat and J.
Brooks came in collision at the entrance
to the farm of Mr. Earhart. Peat had
been engaged by Earhart to thrash, and,
failing to come, Brooks was hired. The
met met with the machines at the farm-
yard gate. A dispute followed, both
wanting the work. One started to go in,
when the other started his engine, and a
collision followed. The engines met head
on. One engine reared up on end and fell
over on the other, and both were smashed.
A fireman on Peat's engine was caught
between the engine and water tank and
received fatal injuries.

Sparks from the Wires.

J. F. H. McKibbin, auditor of the Atch-
ison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Com-
pany, who was injured by the falling of
a horse, died at Newcastle, Col.

The death of Leopold Herz, of New
York, the father of Dr. Cornelius Herz
of Panama Canal fame, occurred at
Bournemouth, England, where Mr. Herz
was visiting his son.

The annual reports of United States
shipping commissioners for the year end-
ing June 30, 1896, show total shipments
and discharges of seamen for American
seagoing vessels to have been 129,485,
compared with 118,493 for the previous
year.

Hard fighting is still going on between
the Ecuadorian Government and rebel
forces in the vicinity of Cuenca. From
Naranjal heavy cannonading could be
heard on the morning of Aug. 22. Advice
from Alamsi state that Gen. Alfaro is
now only two miles from Cuenca, which
Vega is preparing to defend. Terror-
stricken inhabitants are leaving by hun-
dreds.

STATE OF MICHIGAN.

OCCURRENCES DURING THE PAST WEEK.

Released Jail Inmates at Ontonagon
Do Noble Work of Rescue—\$400,000
Blaze in the Business Part of the
"Boo"—After Derelict Corporations.

Three Lives Were Lost at Ontonagon.

The remains of Mrs. Park, a German
woman, and of two unidentified men have
been found in the ruins of Ontonagon.
The wife of Sheriff Corbett was in charge
of the jail when the fire invaded the city.
The village marshal refused to take charge
of the prisoners, two of them being the
notorious Duncan Beveridge and James
Redpath, who are awaiting trial for the
murder of a woman six years ago, and for
which crime their testimony secured con-
viction and sentence to life imprisonment
of a man whose innocence has since been
shown. So Mrs. Corbett released them
all, and in return Beveridge and Redpath
conducted her and an aged woman named
Emmons to places of safety. Then they
hurried back to the village and were fore-
most, at the peril of their own lives, in the
work of rescuing belated victims. Several
times their clothes were on fire and their
faces blistered and hand singed by the
heat. Upon Sheriff Corbett's return the
day following they reported to him,
but were told there was no place to keep
them and to shift for themselves, only
keeping ready for call when wanted. This
they promised to do. The news of the fire
caught Pat Nester in bed at Baraga. In
less than two hours he had his tug loaded
down with supplies and was steaming for
Ontonagon. At Houghton and Hancock
not a tug could be found that would try
to go out, but the Colton steamed right
through the high seas and made the
eighty-six-mile run to Ontonagon in seven
hours with a heavy load. These, with the
supplies from Rockland, were the first
received from outside. Since then sup-
plies are coming in by the carload. A
relief store has been started. Books are
kept, and every man is known and a
record made of his dependents, what he
needs and what he gets.

Sault Ste. Marie Burns.

A gasoline stove exploded in a restau-
rant on Water street, Sault Ste. Marie,
Thursday afternoon and started the most
extensive conflagration in the history of
the city. A north gale prevailed at the
time and it was but a few moments until
a long row of wooden buildings were lick-
ed up by the flames. Prenzla Brothers',
three-story brick store came next, and
from there the fire crossed the street and
consumed the Metzger Block, the "Soo"
National Bank Block, in which was lo-
cated the postoffice and the custom house,
the Perry and Chippewa Hotels and other
smaller buildings are total losses, to-
gether with nearly everything they con-
tained. The "Soo" new building, Smith
Block and "Soo" Savings Bank Block
were also considerably damaged by fire
and water. Everything moveable from
these buildings was taken out. Among
the heaviest losers are the Soo National
Bank, Prenzla Brothers, general mer-
chants; Hynea & McKenna, tailors; J.
F. Maloney, liquor; R. D. Perry, hotel;
Mrs. H. P. Smith, hotel; Ross Brothers,
liquors; E. S. D. Sutton, McDonald &
Chapman, J. W. Pine, lawyers; the Bell
Telephone Company; James Strachan,
machine shop, and the Minnesota Steam-
ship Company supply store. The loss is
estimated at about \$400,000. Insurance
will reach about half that amount. The
fire department of the Canadian Soo and
troops from Fort Brady rendered efficient
service. The city firemen and citizens
worked like Trojans, and it was by a very
narrow margin that the balance of the
business section escaped destruction. A
falling wall injured two soldiers, but it is
thought not seriously.

Corporations Must Pay.

The last Legislature made it the duty
of the Attorney General to proceed
against the directors of all corporations
failing to make annual reports to the Se-
cretary of State, and to collect a fine of \$5
per day for each secular day after March
1 during the pendency of such neglect.
Attorney General Maynard, in accor-
dance with this requirement, is sending out
bills to each delinquent corporation, the
amount assessed to each being \$805, and
the aggregate amount due being between
\$800,000 and \$900,000. This is an en-
tirely new thing in Michigan, and as the
Attorney General declares that he propos-
es to collect every dollar of the penalties
the directors of the delinquent concerns
are greatly agitated.

Short State Items.

Bronson's cemetery is so full of weeds
and brush that visitors do not dare to pen-
etrate the wilds any great distance for
fear of getting lost.

Citizens of Au Sable who have not paid
their poll tax and have not the ready
money to do so, will be compelled to work
it out on the streets of the city, repairing
sidewalks, etc.

Fire destroyed a million feet of lumber
at Cheboygan belonging to Mr. Charlton,
of Toronto, and the Spry Lumber Com-
pany, of Chicago. The loss is about \$200,-
000; fully insured.

Manistee County fruit growers have
found a new outlet for their fruit which
is paying them better than the old scheme
of sending it to Milwaukee. They now
send it by special steamer to the Upper
Peninsula.

A little white girl, about 2 years of age,
wandered to the home of David Gray, an
Indian of the Sarnia reserve, near Port
Huron, and up to the present time no
claimant for it has appeared or any alarm
given that such a child is missing. The
little child could not tell her name or give
any intelligible information whatever as to
where she came from. The Gray fam-
ily has become quite attached to the child,
which also seems well contented with its
new surroundings, and they will retain
control of the little waif unless its proper
guardian puts in an appearance.

A fire occurred at Ithaca Thursday af-
ternoon in the elevator of the Ann Arbor
Railroad Company. The building was
under the management of A. S. Barber &
Co., who had a large amount of grain
stored there. About 2,000 bushels of
grain belonging to outside parties were
also stored in the building. The damage
is as follows: To the building, \$500; in-
surance, \$1,400. A. S. Barber & Co.'s
loss is nearly \$2,000; insurance \$1,500. It
is not known whether there is any in-
surance of the grain owned by the outside
parties or not. The origin of the fire is
unknown.

Hillsdale and Antrim Counties have giv-
en up local option.

An electric lighting plant will be put in
at Morenci, Lenawee County.

St. Mary's Hospital, Saginaw, cele-
brated its twenty-first anniversary.

The Adrian Knights Templar band has
concluded a pleasant four days' encamp-
ment at Devil's Lake.

Gov. Rich has reappointed George H.
Durand, of Flint, member of the State
Board of Examiners.

Cholera infantum is causing a great deal
of sickness among children at Standish.
Several deaths have occurred.

Branch County gardeners are harvest-
ing a fine second crop of raspberries, the
result of heavy rains and hot weather.

As near as can be ascertained, 2,000,000
feet of lumber, valued at \$26,000, were
destroyed in the Cheboygan Lumber Com-
pany's dock fire.

Charles Burris, of Davison, was attack-
ed by thugs near Whiting, Ind., robbed,
beaten insensible and thrown from a rap-
idly moving train. He will die.

There was an echo of the Haywood will
case in the Probate Court at Muskegon
Saturday, when costs aggregating \$1,000,
arising from the recent suit, were taxed
against the estate.

The prohibitionists of Genesee County
held their convention at Flint Monday and
nominated a county ticket headed by Jo-
seph Eames for Probate Judge and Wil-
liam Swinler for Sheriff.

A. P. Crell's electric mail car came to
grief at Ionia, Saturday. It took and de-
livered mail at twelve stations all right,
but on nearing the next station it fell
through the trestle, the rails spreading.

Muskegon sportsmen will sow wild rice
seed along the Muskegon River in an ef-
fort to coax back the wild duck that of
late have been giving the river the go-by
on account of the poor feeding facilities.

The farmers of Lexington Township,
Sanilac County, want someone to locate
a canning factory at Crosswell. They will
see that it is supplied with the raw materi-
al and will also give a bonus to the right
man.

The residence of Fred E. Dolph, a hard-
working painter of Battle Creek, was
burned Sunday afternoon. It was just
beyond the water hydrants and out of the
city limits. Loss, \$1,200, and no insur-
ance.

On Aug. 15 Bert Wildsmith, a 17-year-
old boy, of Kalamazoo, was taken to
the police station with several naughty
boys, but was released at once. He did
not go home and hasn't been heard from
since. His parents are frantic.

At Detroit Frank Beaubien, aged 40,
a member of an old French family and
recently heir to a large sum of money,
shot and mortally wounded his wife Sun-
day morning in a drunken frenzy. He
then attempted to kill his two children and
blew his own brains out.

Joseph C. Foley, of Ypsilanti, is said to
be on the track of millions. He has orga-
nized a company to develop a gold mine in
the Rainy Lake region, Minnesota. The
mine is now down 200 feet. Less than
\$150,000 has been spent so far, but a
yearly income of over \$300,000 is assured.

The fruit men of northern Oceana Coun-
ty have sent a representative to Minne-
apolis and St. Paul and will hereafter
ship their fruit to him, and he will dispose
of it in a market that is not glutted, as are
those of Milwaukee and Chicago. The
growers expect to make a much better
thing out of their crop in this way.

The proprietor of the creamery at Man-
chester has made an assignment for the
benefit of his creditors, and the farmers
who have been supplying the institution
with milk since it started a short time ago
will lose considerable money. The farm-
ers are now attempting to organize a
creamery to run on the co-operative plan.

An old Indian by the name of Nobba,
near Munising, is changing color to a per-
fect white. The skin on his hands is al-
ready white, and white spots are appear-
ing on his face and breast. Nobba is very
bald. It is a disgrace for a redskin to be
without hair on the top of his head, so he
has never been known to remove his cap.

Henry Kuhn Sr., of Port Huron, placed
the muzzle of a revolver between his teeth
and shot himself dead. He was slightly
deranged and had attempted suicide be-
fore. For many years Mr. Kuhn, who was
about 64, had been in the leather business.
The only motive known for the suicide
was a cancer-like sore on Mr. Kuhn's
face, which caused him much pain.

While a crew were thrashing Tuesday
afternoon on the farm of Herbert Lossing,
near Sanilac Center, the boiler exploded,
killing three men and severely injuring
two others. The dead are: George Cas-
terlion, Darius Lossing, Lanson Lossing.
The injured: James Davis, George Tal-
man. Casterlion and the two injured men
were standing on the stack, fully 100 feet
away from the boiler, when it exploded.

A Covert Township fruit grower has a
horse which seems to know more than
some men. The horse's duty is to haul
peaches from the orchard to the packing
house, and instead of requiring a man to
drive him, he attends to the matter unaid-
ed. He walks through the orchard where
the men are at work picking the fruit
from the trees, and wherever he sees some
baskets that are filled, he stops, waits till
the baskets are loaded into the wagon,
and then moves on, and when the wagon
is full, goes to the packing house, where it
is unloaded.

At Ionia the United States signal ser-
vice officers captured Frank and George
Kingston, counterfeiters. They captured
the press, and they believe they have made
the most important arrest in years. The
two men arrested are natives of Ionia,
and have previously borne a good reputa-
tion. Frank is 25 years old and George
30, the former being the artist who made
the plate. They had \$7,200 in \$2 bills, all
ready to float, and paper enough to make
\$1,000,000 more. The plates from which
the bills were printed are made of box-
wood and the bills are all treasury notes
of the series of 1890, containing a medall-
ion portrait of Alexander Hamilton, and
so clever that none but an expert can de-
tect them.

Dr. Frank Bournes, for two years as-
sistant to Dr. Darling at the University
Medical College, has been appointed full
professor in the Southern Medical College
at Atlanta, Ga.

When Pine Grove avenue, in Port Hur-
on, was paved, a few years ago, some of
the largest property owners escaped pay-
ing their assessments through legal tech-
nicities. Now the paving is worn out.
The City Council voted to close up the
street and pave Stone street, which runs
parallel, unless the recalcitrant residents
will pay the tax they dodged several years
ago.

HOW BIRDS TALK.

Conversation Carried On in Chirrup
by Feathered Songsters.

Birds have no difficulty in making
themselves understood, with a variety
of calls, to their young and to each
other. We do not notice much varia-
tion in the chirping calls of the English
sparrows; but probably our talk is
equally monotonous to them. No one
could accuse the English sparrow of
want of sagacity. Nor are they so in-
trusive a bird as is commonly supposed.
At the country place from which the
Listener writes there are no English
sparrows nearer than the outskirts of
the village, at a distance of half a mile.

This spring, however, the Listener no-
ticed a pair of them, male and female,
inspecting the premises, and in particu-
lar studying the accommodations, from
the English sparrow point of view, of
a certain shed and henhouse. Evidently
they did not consider the quarters eligi-
ble, for they have never since been seen
around the place, nor any other of their
species. After a good look around they
left the premises to the possession of
chipping sparrows, orioles, robins, red-
eyed vireos and other native Ameri-
cans. A single male English sparrow
was seen last summer on the shores of
a lake near by, but he was evidently a
wanderer, for none have been seen
there since. The neighborhood abounds
in chippers, song sparrows and vesper
sparrows; and there are two pairs of
kingbirds, one of which has a nest of
young ones on the branch of a button-
wood tree which overhangs the lake.

The Listener was the witness, the
other evening, of a proceeding on the
part of one of these kingbirds the like
of which he had never seen or heard
of before. At the side of the house,
almost underneath a huge basswood
tree, there stood a hen and a brood of
chickens about two weeks old. It was
at sunset, but the light was still strong.
The chickens were running about the
yard, when suddenly there swooped
down from the branches of the tree a
kingbird and lighted exactly on the
back of one of the chicks, seizing it
with its claws very much as a hawk
might have done. The chicken scream-
ed pitifully, and the Listener, whose so-
litude for the chicken was greater
than his interest to see what the bird
might do, rushed out and scared the in-
terloper away. Has anyone else ever
heard of kingbirds wantonly attacking
chickens, or any other bird except a
hawk or a crow? Probably the king-
bird would attack any bird that threat-
ened its nest, but does it attack other
feathered creatures without provoca-
tion?—Boston Transcript.

Not So Surprising.

While we smile at the lack of infor-
mation exhibited by our cousins across
the seas concerning matters that are
as familiar as A, B, C to us, it is not
at all probable that some of us live in
a vitreous tenement ourselves. How
many bright American youths, who are
fresh from their geographies, could
name the different counties in England;
or could tell whether Leeds and Bir-
mingham were in York or Lincolnshire,
Herts or Kent? Yet very likely these
same youth would laugh long and loud
if an English cousin should locate Bos-
ton in Missouri or St. Louis in Texas.

When we reach the Antipodes, many
Americans carry a still more startling
and varied stock of misinformation.
How many realize that it is a five days'
journey across the channel that sepa-
rates New Zealand from Australia,
the two great islands of the Australa-
sian empire? How many know much
about the political situation of Victoria
and New South Wales, of Queensland
and South Australia? How many can
locate the Banda Sea or the Sulu Sea,
or tell where the placid waters of the
Celebes Sea bask under the torrid rays
of the equator? How many realize
that it is a railway journey of 2,000
miles between Adelaide and Brisbane,
and that this little strip of coast consti-
tutes largely the inhabited portion of
the island continent?—New York Ad-
vertiser.

Condensed Poetry.

"Boil it down" is a pretty good news-
paper maxim, but even a newspaper
maxim needs to be obeyed with discre-
tion.

Charles Metcalf, who has been writ-
ing advertisements for a drama in New
York city, had an unpleasant experi-
ence in connection with a compositor
of one of the great dailies in that city.
Metcalf wrote a poetical advertisement
as follows:

From half-past eight till half-past ten,
You laugh and laugh and laugh again.
Imagine his surprise when a matter-
of-fact compositor set up the adver-
tisement and it appeared:

From 8:30 to 10:30
You laugh and laugh and laugh again.
—Live Matter.

To Light a Tunnel.

A novel way of illuminating a tunnel
has been devised in Paris. Reflectors
throw light from many electric lamps
sixteen feet above the rails to the sides
of the tunnel, where it is again reflected
by burnished tin, a soft and agreeable
light. The trains automatically turn the
current on and off in entering and leav-
ing the tunnel.

Made Soap in Pompeii.

In the unearthed city of Pompeii, the
preservation of which has been the
means of revealing many antique cus-
toms, there is to be seen a soap manu-
factory, with all the kettles and other
pamphernalia pertaining to the busi-
ness. Also a quantity of soap, evidently
the product of this ancient "soapery."

Great Bicycle Tire Factory.
The Dunlop Tire Company and the
Singer Cycle Company syndicate have
for \$1,800,000 purchased Trafford Park,
near Manchester, for the purpose of
transforming it into a great cycle and
tire manufactory.

Well Sewed On.
How much may depend on a glovefastening was illustrated at one of the Monson state quarries says the Lewiston Journal.

A derrick man stood on the brink of one of the great chasms from which the slate rock is hoisted. His duty was to catch hold of the big hook depending from the end of the boom, as it swung over the bank, and attach it to the grate to be sent back into the pit.

Standing upon the very edge, he reached out. The hook slipped from him, but caught in the fastening of his thick buckskin glove. The swing of the great boom took him off his feet, and in an instant carried him out into giddy space.

His whole weight was hung on that button, and there was a clear one hundred and seventy-five feet of space between him and the floor of rock below. The moment that passed before the boom could be swung back over the bank seemed like hours to him, but the button held, and he got there at last, safe and sound.

Boston's First Church.

The first church building erected specially for that purpose and used for no other was put up in Boston in 1632. Before that date the Puritans held their meetings in private houses or in a house which also served for a school room.

SACRED CONFIDENCE.

NO WOMAN'S LETTER PUBLISHED EXCEPT BY REQUEST.

Mrs. Pinkham's Tender Relations With the Suffering of Her Sex—Women Who Cannot Hide Their Happiness.

There is a class of women who, from their own experience, sympathize with their suffering sisters, and in order that such suffering may be lessened, not only put aside false modesty and in heartfelt gratitude publish to the world what every woman should know.

Mrs. W. L. Elliott, Liscomb, Iowa, is one of those women, and has requested us to publish the facts in her case, otherwise it would not be done, as all such evidence is treated in sacred confidence, unless publication is requested by the writer. She says to Mrs. Pinkham:—"I wish you would publish the circumstances of my case, in order that other women may be benefited by my experience."

"I doctored nearly all the time for two years. I spent several hundred dollars without receiving much benefit. Last June I wrote to you and described all my aches and pains. Such a long list as there was: headache, backache, bearing-down pains, terrible soreness, constipation, dizziness, feeling of extreme lassitude, irregularity and nausea; but you answered my letter and told me just what to do. I followed your advice."

"After taking eight bottles of the Vegetable Compound and three bottles of Blood Purifier, I am glad to write you that I have not enjoyed such good health for years, and I am able to do all my own work. I can surely sound the praises of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and a number of my friends are taking it upon my recommendation."—Mrs. W. L. ELLIOTT, Liscomb, Iowa.

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OLD DAYS RECALLED.

REUNION OF THE GRAND ARMY AT ST. PAUL.

Thousands of the Old Warriors Hold Their Annual Encampment—The City Elaborately Decorated—Great Parade of Veterans.

Veterans Take the Town.

ULLY 100,000 people attended the thirtieth national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic at St. Paul. The encampment this year was one of the most successful ever held. Cheap railroad rates, cool, pleasant weather and a good program of entertainment combined to make the meeting especially attractive to the veterans of the army and navy, and thousands of the gallant old boys took advantage of this favorable chance to spend their annual outing where they could renew their old friendships and talk over the memories of the days of '61.

St. Paul was decked out in her handsomest attire, the decorations being both pleasing and appropriate. From every housetop in the saintly city floated the red, white and blue banner that extended a greeting to the veterans, while across the streets and up and down the wide avenues of the residence portion, and from top to dome of the big office buildings, in all manner of designs, could be seen the national colors.

The train bearing Commander-in-Chief Walker and his staff did not arrive until 11 o'clock Monday night. The regular program, however, was gone through with. So enraptured was the General with the scene and the animated colors of the decorations that he for the moment forgot that he was in the midst of a crowd of curious hundreds, and did not heed the words of Capt. McCarthy, commander of

the department of Minnesota, who stood at the entrance to the Hotel Ryan to escort him inside. Mrs. John A. Logan, without whom no encampment has seemed complete to the old veterans, was there and witnessed the parades and took part in all the encampment receptions. As they idolized her warrior husband, so also the old soldiers admire her, and her greeting was a warm one.



Formal Program.
The formal program of the encampment was begun Monday evening at 8:30, when a reception was given at Hotel Ryan to the Commander-in-Chief and Mrs. Walker by the citizens' committee and citizens of St. Paul. The hotel was gayly decorated for the occasion, and several thousand persons shook the hand of the Commander. At the same hour at the State Capitol there was a reception to the Grand Army, the Women's Relief Corps and Sons and Daughters of Veterans. Mrs. Marie Hazenwinkle, president of the Minnesota Women's Relief Corps, was in charge of this reception. It continued until 12 o'clock, and it is estimated that at least 30,000 veterans passed through the capitol during the evening. The scene about the women's headquarters at the Kittson mansion was animated.

The principal spectacle of Tuesday was the parade of the naval veterans and the ex-prisoners of war, escorted by the Third United States Infantry, which was reviewed from the Ryan Hotel by Commander-in-Chief Walker. Tuesday afternoon took place the reunion of Minnesota troops at the State Capitol at 1 o'clock, and at Fort Snelling, where they were entertained by Col. Page, commandant. Tuesday evening the women of the citizens' committee held an open-air reception at Summit Park and Summit avenue. On the main platform at Summit Park were stationed Gen. Walker and his staff and a few of the distinguished guests.

Wednesday at 10 o'clock the grand parade of the Grand Army of the Republic started, and this event was looked forward to with great expectation by all. The parade was under command of Commander-in-Chief Walker, and it is estimated that there were 30,000 veterans in line. The official order of march was as follows:

First Division—Veteran Signal Corps. Departments of Illinois, Wisconsin and Pennsylvania.
Second Division—Departments of Ohio and New York.
Third Division—Departments of Connecticut, Massachusetts, New Jersey, California, Maine, Rhode Island, New Hampshire, Vermont, Potomac, Virginia, North Carolina.
Fourth Division—Departments of Maryland, Nebraska, Michigan, Iowa

and Indiana.
Fifth Division—Departments of Colorado, Wyoming, Kansas, Delaware, Missouri and Oregon.
Sixth Division—Departments of Kentucky, West Virginia, South Dakota, Washington, Alaska, Arkansas, New Mexico, Utah, Tennessee.
Seventh Division—Departments of Louisiana, Mississippi, Florida, Montana, Texas, Idaho, Arizona, Georgia, Alabama, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Indian Territory.
Eighth Division—Department of Minnesota.

The reviewing stand was at Smith Park. When the Commander-in-Chief reached the stand a salute of seventeen guns was fired and the national colors were displayed on the flagstaff. The colors carried by department and posts saluted the reviewing officer.

The lady visitors to the encampment were handsomely entertained by the fair



sex of St. Paul, and elaborate arrangements had been made with this end in view. One of the unique features was a ladies' drive, which took place Thursday morning and was one of the novelties of the reunion. Three hundred carriages were used for the occasion and they made a procession nearly two miles long—the pageant being a very picturesque spectacle.

Story of the Order.

Maj. B. F. Stephenson was the founder of the Grand Army of the Republic and Decatur, Ill., was the place of the first meeting. The idea originated further back than that, however. During Sherman's expedition to Meridian in February, 1864, Stephenson and Chaplain W. J. Rutledge were tentmates. The former then proposed the formation, when all the boys were mustered out, of such an organization as the Grand Army has grown to be. The two talked it over and planned a good deal during the war and did not forget nor stop their planning when the war had closed. Considerable correspondence passed between Stephenson and Rutledge, and they met in Springfield in March, 1866, to compile a ritual for the proposed order. The first post was organized in Decatur in the following month—April 6, 1866—by Stephenson. The first State convention was held in Springfield July 12 of the same year. As commander-in-chief Dr. Stephenson issued a general order on Oct. 31, calling for the first national convention of the Grand Army of the Republic. The convention met at Indianapolis Nov. 20, and representatives were present from Illinois, Missouri, Kansas, Wisconsin, New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Iowa, Kentucky, Indiana and the District of Columbia. The convention added the words "sailors" to the Springfield constitution. All soldiers and sailors of the United States army, navy or marine corps who served between April 12, 1861, and April 9, 1865, and were honorably discharged, and members of such State regiments as were called into active service were made eligible to membership.



B. F. STEPHENSON.
Founder of the G. A. R.

It was also provided that no person who had ever borne arms against the United States should be eligible.

Politics was responsible for the first setback received by the G. A. R. In 1866 the disputes between President Johnson and the majority in Congress were the means of greatly hindering the growth of the body. Political disputes also caused such great disorder in the post rooms that many members withdrew. The army leaders realized the injury that was done and took steps to counteract it. One of these steps was the addition to the declaration of principles that "this association does not design to make nominations for office, or to use its influence as a secret organization for partisan purposes." During the next year political discussions were barred from its meetings.

Another drawback was the grade system of membership, which was tried for two years. There were three grades during that time—those of the "recruit," the "soldier" and the "veteran." The recruits had no voice, and could not have until two months' membership, when they could become soldiers, who transacted the business. After six months in the second grade, the soldiers could become veterans, who alone were eligible to department and national offices.

When politics had been banished and the grade system had been thrown out the army began to grow at a wonderful rate. There are now more than 7,500 posts and about 400,000 men. In 1873 the number 1880 it was 397,974, and in 1890 it was 400,484. This appears to be the high membership mark. In June, 1893, the number was 397,223, and it has fallen slightly below that since.

In tropical forests so large a proportion of the plants are of the sensitive variety that sometimes the path of a traveler may be traced by the wilted foliage.

Wait for the season when to cast good counsels upon subsiding passions.—Shakespeare.

HEADACHE AND NEURALGIA.

From the Journal, Ottawa, Ill.

Fred Haeblerlin, a shoe dealer, of Ottawa, Ill., can claim rather a unique distinction. He was the first man in Ottawa, Ill., to buy a box of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. That was three years ago, and Mr. Haeblerlin says he has never had cause for regretting that purchase. In a conversation held a few days ago Mr. Haeblerlin said:

"My wife for a long time was greatly troubled with neuralgia, headache and nervousness. About three years ago a friend of mine, a traveling man, told me to get some of Williams' Pink Pills and have my wife try them. Upon looking up the remedy I noticed that the Chicago papers contained some pretty strong statements in favor of it."

"I went to the drug stores, but not a single one of them kept the article. Then I went to Graham & Yentzer's drug store and had George Yentzer send for some of the pills. Well, they came and I took them home to my wife. She started in to use them, and the effect was marvelously favorable, and her condition began to improve steadily. It was but a short time until the headaches had almost wholly disappeared, and the general state of her health was much helped. My wife kept on using the pills and likewise kept getting better. In a comparatively short time her condition was more healthy than for several years. Is it any wonder that we both became true friends of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills? My wife is a well woman now, and we both ascribe that fact to Pink Pills."

"The remedy did so much for us that I have recommended it to ever so many since I got that first box, and if I do say it, I believe I am largely responsible for starting the large sale of the pills in Ottawa. There is not a drug store in the city now that does not sell Dr. Williams' Pink Pills."

John Hardin, who is engaged in the tailoring business in Ottawa, says:

"Count me as one who has been benefited by the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. I have used them for several months for stomach troubles and feel that they have aided a slight attack of rheumatism. Since I took them and built up my system my trouble in that respect has been much bettered, as has also my indigestion. They are a great tonic, and I certainly endorse their use most heartily. I always recommend them to my friends."

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills contain, in a condensed form, all the elements necessary to give new life and richness to the blood and restore shattered nerves. They are also a specific for troubles peculiar to females, such as suppressions, irregularities and all forms of weakness. They build up the blood, and restore the glow of health to pale and sallow cheeks. In men they effect a radical cure in all cases arising from mental worry, overwork or excesses of whatever nature. Pink Pills are sold in boxes (never in loose bulk) at 50 cents a box or six boxes for \$2.50, and may be had of all druggists, or direct by mail from Dr. Williams' Medicine Company, Schenectady, N. Y.

A Railroad Puzzle.

Between the forty-nine and fifty-five mile posts on the Carolina Central Railroad there is a piece of track for a distance of nearly six miles that presents a singular condition that so far amounts to an inexplicable mystery. All trains going and coming go to grinding and start a terrible squeaking when they get on this six miles of track. The noise comes from not only one car, but every locomotive, every coach and every car of whatever kind sets up a grinding as if turning a curve. The noise is something like the screeching of an ox-cart that has no grease on it, and it is made by every truck on a train. The track is perfectly straight, and as there is no curve at all the cause of the grinding and squeaking has mystified the railroad people. Every effort has been made to ascertain the cause of the difficulty. The locomotives have been scrutinized, every cross-tie and every rail has been inspected, every joint has been looked at, and every foot of the track has been regraded, but no explanation could be found. The section-master has almost crawled over the six miles on his knees in search of the cause. The roadmaster has tried his best to ferret out the matter, and the superintendent has been over the track and inspected it—all of them making repeated efforts again and again to find out what is the matter—but they have given it up as a bad job. They have not only not been able to discover the cause of the noise, but have been unable to discover any theory to explain the mystery. It is one of the railroad mysteries of the age, and has been going on for twenty years. During that time the cross-ties and rails have been replaced several times with new ones, but without effect.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Life-Saving.

Another life-saving device which to us seems far more feasible is for employment by a stranded or storm-beaten vessel from which it is desired to carry a line to shore. The line is fastened to a hollow ball made of rubber or sheet-metal, which is thrown overboard and carried by the wind to the beach. Its construction enabling it to withstand any knocking about it may receive among the breakers. In a recent test, a communicating line was by this means carried ashore very rapidly in a high wind.

The Ladies.

The pleasant effect and perfect safety with which ladies may use Syrup of Figs, under all conditions, makes it their favorite remedy. To get the true and genuine article, look for the name of the California Fig Syrup Co., printed near the bottom of the package. For sale by all responsible druggists.

American Wine in Europe.

Any one who supposes that American wine is at a discount in Europe is mistaken. Last year we sent abroad 13,019 dozen bottles, for which we received \$56,202, and 1,125,297 gallons at a valuation of \$545,708.

No one in ordinary health need become bald or gray, if he will follow sensible treatment. We advise cleanliness of the scalp and the use of Hall's Hair Renewer.

There is no policy like politeness; and a good manner is the best thing in the world, either to get a good name or supply the want of it.

Piso's Cure for Consumption is our only medicine for coughs and colds.—Mrs. C. Beltz, 439 8th ave., Denver, Col., Nov. 8, 1895.

Sig. Palo Tosti has written nearly 500 songs.

The Female Jap.

Women in European countries exhibit a predilection for some foreign language. German women speak English, and English women speak French, German, etc. A Japanese woman speaks nothing but Japanese. It is to her, moreover, that the Japanese owes all the progress it has made during the last century. She was of old forbidden to study the Japanese language, which was considered the exclusive monopoly of men. The Japanese women took hold of their native tongue, and are now at the head of the literary movement of their country. Madam Murasaki is not the only one who has contributed to the development of this flexible tongue and exotic literature, for in addition to her there are at least thirty writers and philosophers in petticoats who are laboring for the greatest glory of the Japanese renaissance.

Too Late to Mend.

There is a point beyond which medication cannot go. Before it is too late to mend, persons of a rheumatic tendency, inherited or acquired, should use that benignant defense against the further progress of the supererogatory malady—rheumatism. The name of this proven rescuer is Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, which it should also be recollected, cures dyspepsia, liver complaint, fever and ague, debility and nervousness.

Destitute Englishmen abroad can demand to be sent home. They apply to their consul, who gives notice accordingly to captains of ships about to sail.

Hall's Catarrh Cure.

Is taken internally. Price 75 cents.

Borax added in the proportion of half a teaspoonful to each quart of milk will keep it sweet for several days.

Birds and flowers delight us, but we are enchanted when we behold the complexion of a young lady made beautiful by the use of Glenn's Sulphur Soap.

Dobbie's Floating-Borax Soap is the only floating soap that contains Borax. For toilet or laundry use it is incomparable. A perfect soap for all uses. Try it once, you'll use it always. Order of your grocer. Red wrapper.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for Children teething: softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25 cents a bottle.

Health Hood's Sarsaparilla

Is impossible without pure, healthy blood. Purified and vitalized blood result from taking Hood's Pills for the liver and bowels. 25c.

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CURES Wounds, Bruises, Sunburn, Sprains, Lameness, Insect Bites, and ALL PAIN.
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"It Bridges You Over."
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"Battle Ax" bridges a man over many a tight place when his pocket-book is lean. A 5-cent piece of "Battle Ax" will last about as long as a 10-cent piece of other good tobaccos. This thing of getting double value for your money is a great help. Try it and save money.

That terrible wash-tub!
This is the way it looks to the women who do their washing in the old-fashioned way. They dread it—and no wonder. All because they won't use Pearline. Use Pearline—use it just as directed—soak, boil and rinse the clothes—and the wash-tub won't be a bugbear. You won't have to be over it enough for that. No hard work—no inhaling of fetid steam—no wearing rubbing—no torn clothes—nothing but economy.
Send it Back
Peddlers and some unscrupulous grocers will tell you "this is as good as" or "the same as" Pearline. IT'S FALSE—Pearline is never peddled, and if your grocer sends you something in place of Pearline, be honest—send it back.

Bear in Mind that "The Gods Help Those Who Help Themselves." Self Help Should Teach You to Use SAPOLIO

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The total supply of gold and silver in the United States on June 1, 1896, as given by the Fourth National Bank of New York was as follows: Gold coin and bullion, \$607,183,582; silver dollars and bullion, \$549,279,830; fractional silver coin, \$76,994,051; total of silver coin and bullion, \$823,273,881; total gold and silver, \$1,233,457,463.

Ex-Governor of Missouri, David R. Francis, who was appointed Secretary of the Interior by President Cleveland, in place of Hoke Smith, resigned, has qualified and assumed the duties of his office. As might be expected he is an ardent supporter of the Indianapolis ticket. This restores harmony in the administration family and makes the Cabinet (including Mr. Thurber and Mr. Cleveland) solid for the single gold standard.

It is announced that in the national headquarters of one of the political parties no work will be done on Sunday during the campaign. Our information does not state which of the political parties have so wisely determined to observe the divine command, but if the Creator takes cognizance of politics in any manner, the party which observes this rule may expect divine favor and ultimate triumph. If there is any such thing as God, He is the God of nations and political parties and will show favor to them that fear Him and obey His laws. We firmly believe in the ultimate triumph of truth. God is stronger than satan and good is stronger than evil. And yet "How long shall the wicked triumph?"—Vermontville Echo.

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2 ANNUAL REPORT.

The annual report for school district No. 2 of the township of Thornapple for the year commencing Sept. 3, 1895, and ending Sept. 7, 1896:

Amount on hand.....	\$ 381 25
Amount raised by year's tax.....	3,050 00
From primary school fund.....	363 12
From tuition.....	292 00
From other sources.....	3 27
Total.....	\$4,089 66
Paid teachers' salaries.....	\$2,340 00
Paid for furnace and all repairs.....	\$22 25
Paid incidental expenses.....	705 25
Am't. on hand in dist. and town treas.....	522 16
Total.....	\$4,389 66

There is now on hand 140 cords of seasoned wood which cost \$140.

Miss Purdiss, kindergarten supplies.....	3 45
J. W. Saunders, supplies.....	6 21
Thomas Charles Co., kindergarten supplies.....	2 62
J. W. Saunders, publishing annual report.....	1 50
Russell, overpaid tuition.....	4 00
T. Wood, cleaning organs.....	7 00
W. H. Severance, supplies.....	6 00
J. W. Saunders, 3 dictionaries.....	23 94
Mat Chase, help raise flag pole.....	50 00
M. F. Jordan, expenses to Wayland on furnace matter.....	3 50
George Bassett, pencil sharpeners.....	3 50
J. W. Saunders, supplies.....	4 81
Thomas Charles Co., supplies.....	2 70
Sam Campbell, flag pole.....	2 50
W. Webb, oil cloth and dictionary holder.....	1 13
M. F. Jordan, insurance.....	68 00
J. E. Goetz, freight.....	30 00
B. A. Almy, flags.....	80 00
Henry Potts, wood.....	26 50
J. W. Armstrong, supplies.....	9 44
Sam Campbell, furnace.....	625 00
Allen Morse, material and work.....	29 90
Allen Morse, oil barrel and cgs.....	80 00
J. W. Saunders, adv. and supplies.....	14 78
Thomas Charles Co., supplies.....	2 65
M. S. Keeler & Co., curtains.....	1 02
John Benaway, repairs on basement Hanlon & Son, supplies.....	5 95
John Dietrich, ftg. and cartage.....	12 00
John Benaway, work.....	40 00
J. D. Dietrich, freight and cartage.....	12 00
M. S. Keeler, supplies.....	2 27
Schuyler Kollar, wood.....	20 00
Seymour Jordan, wood.....	5 00
John Dietrich, ftg. and cartage.....	40 00
Frank Pratt, supplies.....	8 47
Frank Pratt, wood.....	145 50
David Webb, incidentals.....	30 00
Haney School Furn. Co., seats.....	62 20
Jennie Kennedy, overpaid tuition.....	1 50
H. Hendrick, insurance.....	51 00
J. W. Saunders, printing catalogues.....	18 00
A. Tewksbury, mowing yard.....	1 00
Frank Pratt, supplies.....	1 12
John Campbell, supplies.....	8 03
C. E. Ricketts, diplomas.....	40 00
C. E. Stokoe, repairing clock.....	1 25
W. H. Severance, supplies.....	50 00
J. W. Armstrong, supplies.....	1 70
Nelson Abbott, supplies.....	25 00
W. H. Severance, supplies.....	2 95
M. F. Dowling, cleaning clock and chimney.....	65 00
Leon Abrams, cleaning school yard.....	75 00
Scott Campbell, cleaning school yd.....	75 00
M. F. Jordan, taking census.....	5 00
Samuel Campbell, interest money.....	2 50
Total.....	\$1,350 86

The amount estimated to be raised for the ensuing year is as follows:

Teacher's wages.....	\$2,550 00
Janitor.....	100 00
Repairs.....	100 00
Incidentals.....	600 00
Total.....	\$3,410 00

On hand.....\$ 522 16
Expected from.....250 00
Primary school fund.....300 00
Mill tax.....350 00
Total.....\$1,422 16

Total to raise.....\$1,988 00

From all accounts Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is a Godsend to the afflicted. There is no advertisement about this; we feel just like saying it. The Democrat, Carrollton, Ky. For sale by J. W. Armstrong, druggist. 36-4

W. S. Dunbar of St. Joseph shipped a case of ripe strawberries, the production of vines which produced a crop in season this year.

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Clearing Sale
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I will close out the balance of
my Suits at
One-Fourth to One-Third Off

And a lot of Ladies' and Gents' Shoes
One-Fourth to One-Third off. If you
want a Suit or Shoes now is the time
to get them at Factory Prices.

Yours for square dealing,
JOHN SCHONDELMAYER.

MY WAGON SHOP
Is now located next door to Coats
& Burr's blacksmith shop. For
SLEIGH AND WAGON REPAIRS
And general wood work give
me a call.
GEORGE SANFORD.

IF YOU THINK OF BUYING A
Lumber : Wagon,
CALL AND SEE OUR
Extra Easy Running
First-Class Wagon.
WE ARE SELLING AT BOTTOM
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At C. Schondelmayer's.

If you are a farmer and only get to
town occasionally, you can get a late
Grand Rapids, Detroit, Chicago or New
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from 1 to 3 cents each. 37-2

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BARBER SHOP.
We have them. What? All the latest
Styles in work that will please you.
Our shop is refitted with all new furni-
ture that is up-to-date.
A FINE LINE OF CIGARS ALWAYS
ON HAND.
LAUNDRY
Goes to Baxter Every Wednesday.
CALL AND SEE US.
FRENCH & KRAFT.

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THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 1896.

LOCAL HAPPENINGS.
Go to the fair this year.
C. W. Fenton has a snowball in full
bloom.
Notice the change in the G. R. & I.
time table.
Men's, youths' and boys' Sweaters at
Campbell's.
Attend the school meeting next Mon-
day evening.
Remember the M. E. Aid society this
week Friday.
Attend the adjourned school meet-
ing next Monday night.
Send a 2 cent stamp for a handsome
set of Jaxon Soap pictures. 28*
Try the Chicago Record a week for
10 cents at the News Stand. *

A. M. Gardner is building a wing to
the rear of his residence on Dearborn-
st.
There were 77 tickets sold at this sta-
tion on the excursion to Grand Rapids
Labor Day.
There will be a meeting of the town-
ship board at the clerk's office Satur-
day evening, Sept. 12, at 7 p. m.
Our buyer has returned from market
and we are showing some elegant
things in dress patterns. Come in and
look them over. JOHN CAMPBELL. *

Spend a day at the Kent Co. fair,
Sept. 15-18, and help to make it a suc-
cess; the managers are doing their
part and the prospects are very bright.
The Allegan Co. fair will be held
Sept. 22-25. We are indebted to the
management for complimentary ticket
and hope to see the fair a success in
every way.
Mrs. Thurza Greenham, aged 75
years, an old resident of this village,
has through the efforts of her attorney,
H. E. Hendrick, received notice that
she has been granted a pension with
nearly \$600 back pay. Her many
friends will rejoice over her good for-
tune.

Twenty-nine of the Relief Corps
ladies gave Mrs. J. N. Dempsey a
happy surprise last Saturday afternoon
at the home of Mr. Samuel Allen, it be-
ing the fifty-eighth anniversary of her
birth. All enjoyed it very much and
returned after a dainty repast, leaving
behind several very pretty tokens of
their friendship and esteem.

One of the most scientific and success-
ful surgical operations in the veterinary
line of which we are informed was per-
formed last week by Veterinary R. N.
McNee of Irving by the removal of one-
half of the udder of a cow, which had
become inflamed. The operation saved
the cow's life and she is recovering.
We understand that this is the second
operation of the kind performed by him.

About thirty members of the K. of
P. lodge of this place, accompanied by
the band, went to Hastings Friday
evening to welcome home Hon. P. T.
Colgrove, who was recently elected
supreme chancellor of the order. By
his election Mr. Colgrove is placed at
the head of an organization of 500,000
men. It is a rare honor and one which
seldom falls to the lot of one of his age.
Mr. Colgrove is the recipient of many
congratulations, and the duties of the
office could not fall into more capable
hands.
Good attractions are being secured
by the management of the fair this
year. F. S. Giddings of Kalamazoo, an
expert bicycle rider, will give an ex-
hibition of fancy trick riding each day.
The Hastings City Band will furnish
the music and it will be good. Two
base ball games, Wednesday and Thurs-
day. An exhibition by the running
team of the Hastings fire department.
A fine program of bicycle races. A
speed program that will be sure to
draw a fine class of horses. All these
go to show that the program will be a
most successful one. Remember the
dates, Sept. 22-25, and be sure you go,

The County Fair, Sept. 23-25.
Jaxon pure baking powder leavens best
Some fine bicycle races at the fair
Sept. 22-25.
Wm. McNee in the Moe district, is
building a bank barn.
Charles Banfield ships a load of hogs
and peaches this week.
B. A. Almy has purchased the road-
ster owned by Dr. Ferguson.
Elmer Aubil and family now occupy
the Alva Crossman house on West
Main street.
Mrs. Lou Boorn has moved into the
house recently vacated by Elmer Pike
west of the depot.
S. J. Weber & Co.'s White Oak stock
farm has been supplied with business
cards from this office.
Our schools close tomorrow, to give
the pupils and teachers an opportunity
to attend the state fair.
E. W. Skinner on Thursday last re-
membered the SUN force with a small
basket of most excellent apples.
We have just received a nice line of
very desirable fall goods. We invite
your inspection. JOHN CAMPBELL. *

Last Saturday Miss Nina C. Shaw
received a fine guitar, a present from
her brother, E. H. Shaw of Cleveland,
Ohio.
Moses Schondelmayer has bought
Earl VanEvery's gray horse. A twenty
cent liner in the SUN did the business.
It pays to advertise.
Middleville has a lady bicyclist who
is anxious to enter races with the other
sex at the fairs, or ride fast exhibition
miles.—Woodland News.
The state election in Arkansas is
claimed by the democrats by 45,000 ma-
jority although the returns are yet in-
complete. They concede a republican
gain of something over 3,000.
Miss Mary Rockwood and Mr. Jesse
Bowerman, both of Yankee Springs,
were married at the home of the bride's
mother, Mrs. Carrie Stafford, in Grand
Rapids, Monday evening, Sept. 7.
We are in receipt of a complimentary
pass to the Caledonia Union fair to be
held at Caledonia Sept. 30 to Oct. 2.
Every effort is being put forth to make
the fair a success and it should be lib-
erally patronized.

The fair is one of the county institu-
tions that every citizen should feel in-
terested in and give his support to, and
the way to do this is to come out Sept.
22-25, and spend a couple of days at the
grounds and have a good time.
Dr. Frank Merritt of Charlotte was
in the village last week Thursday in
the interests of his senatorial boom.
We can assure him this part of Barry
county is all right and at the same time
assure the people of the 15th senatorial
district that they made no mistake in
nominating him and believe he will be
elected. We have known the doctor
long before he attached M. D. to his
name, and that was more than fifteen
years ago.

Dr. C. M. Cook, surgeon dentist of
525 Jefferson Ave., Grand Rapids, will
operate at the St. James hotel, Middle-
ville, Monday, Sept. 14, 1896. Those
having bad teeth to extract ought not
to miss this chance as the doctor ex-
tracts teeth absolutely without pain or
danger. The most timid need have no
fear. Teeth without plates, gold crown
and bridge work and best set of teeth
on earth, \$5.00. References: Charles
Guffin, Giles Hutton, Samuel Davis,
Andrew Stokoe, Middleville; Mrs. Geo.
Hubbard, Mr. E. H. Hewitt, Mrs. Syl-
vester, Irving. The doctor will operate
at the hotel, Irving, Tuesday, Sept. 15.
Satisfaction guaranteed in all cases.
Remember day and date. *

Every person having an account with
me will please call and settle at once.
37-2 W. H. SEVERANCE.

Four good days at the fair, Sept. 22-
25.

All accounts are now due and must
be settled. FRANK D. PRATT. 37tf

My laundry is now ready to receive
work. 37-4 LEE HING.

LOST—A Mackintosh without cape.
Finder please leave at this office.

FOR SALE—A Bath Tub nearly new.
Inquire at Hotel Harbor Shop.

FOR RENT OR SALE—My restaurant
building and business.
35-4 MRS. MARY J. CALDWELL.

FOR SALE—Six-year-old horse, sound
and all right. 35-3 EARL VANEVERY.

TO THE TRADE:
We beg to announce that we are
ready for fall business and are showing
complete stocks of Hats, Ribbons, Vel-
vets, Flowers, Feathers, Braids, etc.
In addition to the staple goods, we have
all of the season's novelties. Wait for
our opening cards, which will be Sept.
15, in time for fall business. Soliciting
your orders I am
Very respectfully,
36-2 MRS. EVA TALBOTT.

FRUIT TREES AND FALL FRUIT.
All that are in want of any for fall
setting will find it to their advantage
to call on me before buying, as I am
selling for the West Michigan Nurser-
ies of Benton Harbor. All trees war-
ranted to be true to name and free from
disease and first-class in all respects.
32-8 E. P. WHITMORE.

PERSONAL POINTS.

R. E. Combs Sundayed in Lowell.
Etta Russell who has been very sick
is improving.
Miss Emma O'Reilly returns to Big
Rapids today.
Mrs. M. M. Hodge is numbered
among the sick.
W. H. Severance is again confined to
his residence by asthma.
Mrs. Hart south of the village is af-
flicted with typhoid fever.
George Baker of LaBarge, was in
town on business yesterday.
Matie Guffin left last week for a
visit with relatives in Chicago.
Conrad Clever and wife are spending
a couple of days in Grand Rapids.
Miss Louie Hall began teaching in
the Prairie district last Monday.
Mrs. A. M. Putnam returned Tues-
day from an extended visit in Ohio.
James and John Benaway and fami-
lies spent last week at Barlow lake.
H. W. Potter and wife of Belleville,
are guests of Professor and Mrs. Wil-
kinson.
D. D. Putnam of Carlton Center,
spent Saturday and Sunday in the
village.
Miss Mary Moe returned yesterday
from a six week's visit in Grand
Rapids.

Dr. Boise of Grand Rapids, was in
the village on professional business
Saturday.
Mr. Herbert Russell of Tennessee is
here on an extended visit of two or
three months.

Leon Carr left Monday for Fostoria,
O., where he goes to spend the winter
with his mother.

Misses Fannie Pratt and Lena Gris-
wold were in Grand Rapids a wheel the
first of the week.

George Cook and wife of the Prairie,
are spending the week in the city and
at the state fair.

Charles Stafford returned Tuesday
morning from a visit with his mother
in Grand Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Schulte of
Racine, Wis., are guests of their cousin
William Guileman.

Mrs. Arndt and Mrs. Schmidt of Buf-
falo, N. Y., are guests of Mr. and Mrs.
J. F. Brandstetter.

Mrs. Fred Spangemacher of Hast-
ings, is spending a few days with
friends in the village.

Miss Brown of Corl. Knott & Co.,
Grand Rapids, will trim for Mrs. Eva
Talbot during the season.

Mrs. M. F. Dowling and daughter
Grace were guests of friends in Grand
Rapids the first of the week.

Theodore Jamieson of South Board-
man, has joined his family and is a
guest at Mrs. F. A. Colvin's.

Mrs. Frank Burr of Hart is the guest
of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C.
Rouse, south of the village.

Miss Mamie Buss returned Monday
to her home in Grand Rapids after an
extended visit in the village.

Robert B. Ferguson has entered the
Hastings high school for a year's pre-
paratory course for the university.

Mrs. Eva Talbot and her trimmer,
Miss Brown, are in Grand Rapids this
week trimming their pattern hats and
bonnets.

Mr. and Mrs. Kronewitter of Hast-
ings, were guests of their daughters,
Mesdames Blake and Liebler, the first
of the week.

Hon. M. S. Keeler, M. F. Jordan and
R. M. Johnson were in attendance at
the senatorial convention held at Nash-
ville, Tuesday.

Mrs. R. D. Jacox left last evening
for California. She is accompanied
by Mrs. J. P. Ferguson, who will
spend a number of weeks sight-seeing
before her return.

Rev. and Mrs. H. Appleton go to
Grand Rapids tomorrow. Mrs. A., be-
ing president of the Grand Rapids dis-
trict Home Missionary Association, will
attend the meeting of the executive
committee.

Rollo Gibbs returned Friday from
Ottawa Beach where he has been em-
ployed in a hotel during the summer
and is spending a few days in the vil-
lage the guest of relatives. He leaves
in a few days for St. Louis, Mo., where
he goes to accept a position as night
clerk in a hotel.

The following were among those who
took in the excursion to Grand Rapids
Labor Day: Chas. H. Cook and family,
A. M. Wilcox and wife, Mrs. J. C. Mar-
tin, Mrs. C. M. Paull, Mrs. G. W. Dex-
ter, Mrs. G. W. Matteson, Mrs. W. L.
Cobb, Mrs. Eva Talbot, Mrs. J. N.
Olmstead, Mrs. Lucy Sanford, Mrs. J.
Lee, Mrs. George Dennis, Mrs. E. S.
Grosfend, Mrs. J. J. Wadd, Mrs. F. L.
Phelps, Mrs. H. Masters, Mrs. Lou
Boorn, W. Foster and wife, Mrs. J.
Crumbach, Mrs. A. Zimmer, Mrs. Ella
Camp, Misses Minnie Irving, Maude
Pumfrey, Zoe Sanford, Vera P. Cobb,
Maude Olmstead, Winnie Dando, Cora
Zimmer, Messrs. J. B. Campbell, Geo.
McQueen, John Beach, E. D. Matteson,
J. D. Dietrich, W. E. Coats, W. E.
Roach, G. L. Matteson, W. A. Sever-
ance, Neal Patterson, Glenn Gale, R.
B. Ferguson, L. L. Cobb, Roy Coats,
Eddie Talbot Rollo Gibbs, Eddie Zim-
mer.

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merchandise we will present our patrons with
a ticket, and at the close of the sixty days
you may be the fortunate one to get the
wheel—a beautiful High Grade Wheel ab-
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For use in
Summer Diseases
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ABBOTT'S Drug Store.

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in September. Go where you can get the best education for the least money. We are safe
in saying this, for we have everything the student wants here, at convenient hours, and for
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MEXICO WANTS HER.

DIAZ IS HOT AFTER THE MAIDEN "HEALER."

Says She Incited Riots at Nogales, A. T.—Work of Co-operative Societies in England—Veterans Name Clarkson for Commander-in-Chief.

For inciting Yaqui attack. The Mexican Government is making an effort to extradite Santa Teresa, the Mexican maiden "healer," her father and her brother, who are in Texas, which has recently criticized President Diaz and his administration very severely. All of the parties are citizens of Mexico. Senor Aguirre is informed on reliable authority that a requisition has been forwarded to Washington charging that they incited the assault by the Yaqui Indians on the Mexican custom house at Nogales, A. T., Aug. 12, which resulted in the killing of six Indians and three Mexicans. The Mexicans and Indians are devoted to Santa Teresa and declare they will resist by force any attempt to take her across the Rio Grande.

EACH FOR ALL.
Agent Keightley Gives Some Astonishing Figures on English Co-operation.

Starting with a statement of the purpose of a committee just arrived in Australia from England, connected with the supply of the Co-operative Wholesale Society of England with Australian food products, United States Commercial Agent Keightley at New Castle, New South Wales, has contributed to the files of the State Department a most interesting and instructive description of the working of the co-operative societies in Great Britain. Few persons in this country have any conception of the magnitude of the operation of these associations or of their beneficial results, but some idea of their extent may be gathered from Mr. Keightley's statements that in the British Isles they employ 70,000 people and produce of their own wares £30,000,000 annually; that they devote \$250,000 annually to educational purposes, such as the maintenance of reading rooms and free library classes, and have a trade amounting to \$291,990,000 each year. One society claims to feed and clothe one-seventh of the British people, and altogether there are between 1,300 and 1,400 of them.

CLARKSON THEIR CHOICE.

Veterans at St. Paul Unanimously Name the Major from Omaha.

When nominations for commander-in-chief were declared in order in the Grand Army encampment Friday morning at St. Paul, D. R. Ballou, of Providence, R. I., was nominated by his comrades, Spooner, of the same State. Judge M. L. Haywood, of Nebraska, presented the name of Maj. Thaddeus S. Clarkson, of Omaha. The name of E. H. Hobson, of Kentucky, was offered by Gen. Case, of Tennessee. John C. Linehan, of New Hampshire, was brought forward by Daniel Cogswell, of that State, and Rear Admiral Meade was presented by a Dakota delegate. Seconds for the nomination of Clarkson came quickly from all over the hall, but one of the first men up was Admiral Meade, who withdrew his own name. It at once became evident that Maj. Clarkson would win, and all the other names were withdrawn. He was then nominated by acclamation.

WHOLE FAMILY IS SLAIN.

Lou Wilson, A Farmer, Kills His Wife, Child and Himself.

Wednesday evening at 6 o'clock William Malson, who works for a farmer named Lou Wilson, three miles from Neponset, Ill., on returning from work, was horrified to find the body of Lou Wilson, Mrs. Wilson, his wife, and their 4-year-old son, all lying dead in the barn, shot through the temple. Wilson still held a revolver in his hand, and there appears to be no doubt that he used the weapon to shoot his wife, child and himself. Wilson was about 45 years old and his wife about 40.

National League standing.
Following is the standing of the clubs of the National Baseball League:

W. L.	W. L.
Baltimore . . . 77	34 Philadelphia . . . 55
Cincinnati . . . 70	43 New York . . . 53
Cleveland . . . 69	43 Brooklyn . . . 53
Boston . . . 65	50 Washington . . . 47
Chicago . . . 65	51 St. Louis . . . 35
Pittsburg . . . 61	51 Louisville . . . 29

Standing of Western League.
Following is the standing of the clubs in the Western League:

W. L.	W. L.
Minneapolis . . . 75	39 Kansas City . . . 62
Indianapolis . . . 68	46 Milwaukee . . . 54
St. Paul . . . 67	50 Columbus . . . 41
Detroit . . . 65	51 Grand Rapids . . . 33

Flour Trust is Smashed.

The flour trust, known as the spring wheat millers' combine of the Northwest, has closed its office at Minneapolis and gone out of business. It was formed for the purpose of regulating the prices of flour, but failed of its object through the bad faith of its members, prices being cut by the big firms every time there was a good sized order in sight. On Tuesday the members met at Minneapolis, closed the books, and divided the funds. Each pledged himself never again to enter a combine to maintain prices.

Throws 1,500 Men Out of Work.

The Edgar Thomson steel works, near Pittsburg, have closed down indefinitely. The action was a general surprise, as it was not even suspected. At least 1,500 men are thrown out of work.

Earthquake in Iceland.

Steamers arriving at Stornoway, Scotland, from Iceland, report that the severest earthquake since 1784 occurred there on the night of Aug. 26. The report states that two churches were destroyed, cattle killed and farms destroyed. No persons were killed.

Confagration in Norfolk.

Fire at Norfolk, Va., destroyed the immense five-story brick wool foundry and implement factory of S. R. White & Bro., 216 Water street, and the Union Stock Yards on the east side of Nebraska street.

GREAT NEWS FOR CUBA.

Philippine Islanders Rebel Against Spanish Rule.

An official dispatch received from Manila, capital of the Philippine Islands, announces that a revolutionary outbreak has occurred there and that a state of siege has been proclaimed. Next to Cuba the Philippine Islands are the chief colonial possession of Spain. The same greedy, tyrannous methods of government that have forced Cubans to revolt repeatedly have at last spurred the Philippine Islanders to revolution. This rebellion is the one thing which, more than all others, Spain has feared for more than a year past. It is the best possible news for Cuba, since it means that Spain's troops must be divided between two rebellious provinces instead of being concentrated on one. The Philippines are a group of large and small islands, more than 100 in number, lying directly southeast of the Chinese coast and northwest of New Guinea. The seat of the Spanish government of the islands is at Manila, the southwestern part of the great island of Luzon, 41,000 square miles in extent. Manila has a population of 270,000. The islands altogether have 7,000,000 population, or nearly twice that of Cuba, on about 116,000 square miles of territory. The islands have been a very valuable colony for Spain, producing great quantities of sugar, hemp, tobacco, coffee and cocoa. The news of the rebellion in the Philippines will inspire the Cuban patriots to make still greater sacrifices for their liberty, as it so greatly enhances the prospects of their ultimate success.

FINE FAST MAIL.

One of the Best Trains to Be Found in the World.

"We now have the finest mail train in the United States, or elsewhere for that matter," said Chief Clerk P. M. Coates, of the Railway Mail Service, in charge of the Chicago and Omaha fast mail. The cars have nearly all been remodeled, renovated, and painted anew. The third set of cars is now in the Burlington company's shops undergoing treatment. All the old oil lamps have been removed and instead the entire train of five cars is lighted with Pintsch gas. There are seven lamps of four burners each to each car.

The cars have been furnished with new trucks, or the old ones taken apart and refitted piece by piece. All the most modern appliances in the matter of couplings and air brakes help to give the flyer the best possible equipment of any train extant.

The new fast mail engine, No. 530, built especially for service on trains Nos. 7 and 8, by which Uncle Sam's trains on the "Q" between Chicago and Omaha are known, has been trained into fine service, and others of the same pattern will soon be on the rails.

The Government's train now makes Omaha in eleven and one-half hours, running 500 miles between 3 a. m. and 2:30 p. m. Chief Clerk Coates says that he cannot remember of a single instance when Uncle Sam's flyer has been one minute late at the Union Pacific transfer this year.

NEW TRAIN RECORD.

Overland Flyer on the Union Pacific Exceeds Its Schedule.

The fast passenger train service record in the West was broken by the Union Pacific Overland Limited Monday night. The regular schedule time of the train is over fifty miles an hour, including stops—the fastest regular train across the continent. This was improved upon. The train was delayed one hour when Grand Island, Neb., was reached, 150 miles from Omaha. With sixteen coaches, the time was fully made up before the train reached Omaha. The officials are now figuring just what time the train can make across the continent.

Cheering Commercial News.

New York dispatch: September will witness a perceptible change for the better in the commercial centers, and unless something unexpected happens there will be a gradual improvement from now on. This, at least, is the view that obtains among the highest authorities in Wall street. Eighteen millions of gold are now on their way to this country from Europe. Already trade shows signs of revival. J. Edward Simmons, president of the Fourth National Bank, a member of the clearing house committee on loans and the most representative banker in Wall street, says: "It is my sincere and honest belief that we are once more on the highway to prosperity. While the first flush does not indicate any marked changes for the better, nevertheless the improvement is none the less real. In the first place, there has been no call for clearing house certificates, although we had made provisions for such an emergency ten days ago. This shows that the banks are in a good condition and have passed through the tight money market in safety. There is now in transit to this country about \$18,000,000 in gold. This will ease the money market and bring back a normal condition of affairs. It is due to perfectly natural causes. There is a very large export trade at present, principally of grain and cotton, and the imports are very small, owing to the recent stagnation in business. Hence Europe is obliged to send us her gold in order to pay for the goods she has bought. I am simply giving the reasons for the faith that is in me. Of course we cannot hope to gallop along until after the election, but nevertheless we are now moving slowly but surely along the path of prosperity."

Confesses to Dynamite Outrages.

William Henson, 30 years old, committed suicide at Portsmouth, Ohio. He left a letter in which he stated he was guilty of the recent attempts to blow up with dynamite the electric railroad power house, Oyster street school building and Second Presbyterian Church.

An Extension for Walling.

At Frankfort, Ky., George Washington, the attorney for Walling, filed a petition with the clerk of the Court of Appeals for the extension of sixty days' time for filing a transcript. Judge Helm is in Michigan. Judge Haelrig will probably grant the extension.

Red Lion Inn is Burned Down.

The historic Red Lion Inn of Stockbridge, Mass., the most popular hotel in the Berkshire Hills, was totally destroyed by fire. Only the front wall, which dates from 1773, was left standing. The house was crowded, there being 180 guests, but no lives were lost.

Cornelius Vanderbilt is Ill.

A dispatch from Newport, R. I., says Cornelius Vanderbilt, although seeming to mend slowly, is in a precarious condition. His physicians have ordered that he should not be removed from Newport, and his wife has made arrangements to pass the coming winter at the resort.

GLORY TO BUCKEYES.

GET A MONUMENT ON CHICKAMAUGA'S FIELD.

Gen. Turchin Claimed It for an Illinois Brigade—Another Terrible Earthquake in Japan—Old Boys in Blue in Their Annual March.

Gen. Turchin is Beaten. Word was received at Chattanooga from Washington Wednesday that the Chickamauga Park Commission has decided against Gen. Turchin, of Illinois, in his contention that the brigade with which he was connected went up Missionary Ridge and captured the Confederate battery at what is known as the De-long place. At this point the commission erected a monument to Vandever's (Ohio) brigade, an organization of which Gen. H. V. Boynton was a member. Gen. Turchin claimed the monument should be to the Illinois troops. He has been at Chattanooga several times collecting data, and filed a protest with the commission, with the result stated above. The matter has been the cause of a violent and heated controversy between Generals Boynton and Turchin.

VETS IN LINE.

Annual Parade of the G. A. R. at St. Paul Viewed by Thousands.

Thousands viewed the parade of the G. A. R. at St. Paul Wednesday. In recent years it has been thought necessary to shorten the length of the grand parade of the old soldiers, and this year's parade exceeded two miles by but a trifle, and as it was over smooth streets and easy walking, no ill effects were anticipated from the tramp. The various divisions formed shortly after 10 o'clock. Gen. Walker and staff headed the parade, the first division, led by the Veteran Signal Corps, and including the departments of Illinois, Wisconsin and Pennsylvania, following. The second division consisted of the departments of Ohio and New York. In the third division there were the departments of Connecticut, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Maine, California, Rhode Island, New Hampshire, Vermont, Potomac, Virginia, and North Carolina. The fourth division was made up of the departments of Maryland, Nebraska, Michigan, Iowa, and Indiana. The departments of Colorado, Wyoming, Kansas, Delaware, Missouri and Oregon were in the fifth division. The sixth division included Kentucky, West Virginia, South Dakota, Washington, Alaska, Arkansas, New Mexico, Utah and Tennessee. In the seventh division were the departments of Louisiana, Mississippi, Florida, Montana, Texas, Idaho, Arizona, Georgia, Alabama, North Dakota, Oklahoma and Indian Territory. The department of Minnesota closed the parade, comprising the eighth division.

EARTHQUAKES IN JAPAN.

Many Lives Said to Have Been Lost in the Northeastern Provinces.

Much alarm is felt at Yokohama over a meager report of a great earthquake which occurred in the northeast provinces of the main island of Japan on Monday evening. The town of Rukogo has been entirely destroyed and several other towns severely damaged. Many persons are reported to have been killed by the earthquake and a still larger number injured, while a multitude have suffered severe losses by damage to property. The provinces visited by the earthquake are the same as those devastated by the terrible earthquake and tidal wave of June 15 last, when a large number of towns were wiped out and the estimated loss of life was 30,000.

MAN OF MILLIONS DEAD.

Herr Von Markow Driven to Desperation by Attacks of Anti-Semitic Newspapers.

A dispatch to the London Chronicle from Vienna says that Moutner von Markow, the millionaire brewer, committed suicide by shooting himself with a revolver. He left a letter attributing his suicide to attacks of the anti-Semitic newspapers, which have accused him of defrauding the authorities in payments of octroi taxes. There is no doubt but what the charges were true, for Herr von Markow, although possessed of great riches, was of an estimable character and occupied a high social position in Vienna.

CONDITION OF THE NAVY.

Uncle Sam Will Soon Have Thirty-one First-Class Auxiliary Cruisers.

In less than six months, or by the time the Government has completed upward of 100 new rifles now being manufactured at the Washington shops, the navy will have available for service at short notice thirty-one first-class auxiliary cruisers, capable of being equipped for action in twenty-four hours, and mounting batteries as strong as many of those carried by the second-class cruisers of the service.

Due to the Trolley.

Sergt. De Long, chief of the bureau of accidents and criminal arrests of the Chicago police department, has just submitted to Chief Badenoch his report of the accidents during the month of August. During the month there were in all 61 such accidents, and 64 persons were injured, six of them either killed instantly or dying as a result of their injuries.

Fatally Shot by a Pugilist.

An outing club was spending the Sunday in a grove near the Cincinnati suburb of College Hill, when Edward Nelson, an amateur pugilist, and his friends started a game of chuck. Adam Prath ordered them to quit. In the fight that followed Prath was fatally shot by Nelson.

Steamboat Line for Farmers.

A steamboat line on the Missouri River between Sioux City and Charles Mix County, South Dakota, may be established within the next few weeks. The plan is the outcome of agitation on the part of up-river farmers for some means of getting their crops to market.

Will Insist Upon Cutting.

The Southern freight war probably will be resumed in earnest, and the indications are that the 80 per cent. cut of the Southern railroad, which was suspended owing to Judge Simonton's injunction, will be again put in force within a fortnight.

Met Death in Flames.

Five persons were burned to death in a fire in the Van Kleek Hill, Ont., Commercial Hotel Tuesday night. The dead: Mary Louise Yandean, Christie Villeneuve, Josephine Deschamps, Mrs. T. Finn, Miss K. McLeod.

COG ROAD ACCIDENT.

Awful Peril of Passengers on the Pike's Peak Railway.

The first accident on the Pike's Peak Cog-Wheel Railroad since it was opened five years ago occurred Sunday, and but for the safety brakes used on all the cars of this line a trainload of passengers would have been hurled down the mountain to destruction. Coming down the mountain the sidebars on the driving-wheels on both sides of the engine broke apart rendering the compressed air brakes on the engine useless. Conductor Guyman applied the automatic brakes in the passenger coach and soon stopped that. The engineer and fireman were compelled to abandon the engine, which was beyond control, and it went down the twenty-five per cent. grade at a terrific rate of speed for nearly a mile. Then it struck a curve, jumped the track, and shot through the air for fully 150 feet, going clear over a boulder fifteen feet high upon the mountain side above the track. It plowed immense holes in the mountain and the tender and engine separated just as the engine exploded, hurling iron and steel in all directions.

PROTECTION FOR AMERICANS.

United States Warship Bancroft to Be Sent to Constantinople.

The Navy Department has selected most of the officers for the Turkish cruise of the Bancroft, and has ordered them to report aboard the vessel as soon as possible. While assurances are made at the State Department that there is no special demand for the Bancroft's visit to Constantinople, the fact that no satisfactory reply to Secretary Olney's cable concerning the situation of Harpoot and Marash indemnity, signifies there is an emergency, and the Bancroft will be sent there to protect, if necessary, American subjects and their property. The Bancroft is expected in the Mediterranean about the middle of October.

Shock Felt for Twenty Miles.

By an explosion of powder in the wheelhouse of the Equitable Powder Company near Alton, Ill., three persons lost their lives and a number were injured. The shock of the explosion was felt for twenty miles, and in several buildings in East and Upper Alton every pane of glass was broken. The Equitable Powder Company's plant is located four and a half miles east of Alton, and is one of the biggest manufacturing plants in the country, employing a large number of men. At 3 o'clock Tuesday morning the works took fire, and for awhile it was feared the conflagration would reach the magazine, where a large quantity of blasting powder had been stored. All the extinguishing appliances and special lines of hose belonging to the plant were called into play, and after two hours' desperate work the fire was brought somewhat under control, and the men were about congratulating themselves on the success of their efforts, when the wheelhouse blew up with a tremendous report. Rickert, Rogers and Pepple, who were in the vicinity of the wheelhouse, were instantly killed. In Alton the shock was felt with terrific force. People rushed from their houses thinking there was an earthquake and for a time confusion prevailed which almost amounted to panic. A second explosion followed the first, but the shock was not so great.

Landslide in Vermont.

Vermont has declared for Josiah Grout, Republican, for Governor and for the Republican State ticket entire by a majority that equaled the prediction of the most confident Republican manager. The total vote cast was by far the largest in the history of the State. In every county great gains were made by the Republicans.

Bank Officers Arrested.

Acting Comptroller of the Currency Coffin caused the arrest of President H. Gardes and Vice President Girault, of the American National Bank, New Orleans, La., which failed. It is said the assets of the bank have in some way been wasted to the extent that the capital has been extinguished by resulting losses.

Demand Reparation.

The Rome newspapers make vigorous demands that the Italian Government insist upon reparation from Brazil for the outrages upon Italian subjects at Sao Paulo and elsewhere, and they are unanimous in asserting that unless Brazil grants Italy's demands Italy ought to employ force.

Italian Bank Closes.

The Banca Bulese, located in Brooklyn, and operated by Pietro Gallo & Son, is closed, the proprietors having left the place. It was asserted by Italians that the deposits amounted to \$50,000.

THE MARKETS.

Chicago—Cattle, common to prime, \$3.50 to \$5.25; hogs, shipping grades, \$3.00 to \$3.75; sheep, fair to choice, \$2.50 to \$3.75; wheat, No. 2 red, 55c to 56c; corn, No. 2, 20c to 21c; oats, No. 2, 15c to 16c; rye, No. 2, 30c to 32c; butter, choice creamery, 15c to 16c; eggs, fresh, 11c to 13c; potatoes, per bushel, 20c to 30c; broom corn, common short to choice dwarf, \$25 to \$60 per ton.

Indianapolis—Cattle, shipping, \$3.00 to \$5.00; hogs, choice light, \$3.00 to \$4.00; sheep, common to prime, \$2.00 to \$3.75; wheat, No. 2, 56c to 58c; corn, No. 2, 15c to 20c; oats, No. 2, 15c to 22c.

St. Louis—Cattle, \$3.50 to \$5.00; hogs, \$3.00 to \$3.75; wheat, No. 2, 56c to 60c; corn, No. 2, 15c to 18c; oats, No. 2, 15c to 18c; rye, No. 2, 25c to 30c.

Cincinnati—Cattle, \$3.50 to \$4.50; hogs, \$3.00 to \$3.75; sheep, \$2.50 to \$3.75; wheat, No. 2, 60c to 62c; corn, No. 2, mixed, 24c to 25c; oats, No. 2, mixed, 16c to 18c; rye, No. 2, 30c to 31c.

Detroit—Cattle, \$2.50 to \$4.75; hogs, \$3.00 to \$4.00; sheep, \$2.00 to \$3.75; wheat, No. 2 red, 59c to 61c; corn, No. 2, yellow, 21c to 22c; oats, No. 2, white, 18c to 20c; rye, 32c to 34c.

Toledo—Wheat, No. 2 red, 61c to 62c; corn, No. 2, yellow, 20c to 22c; oats, No. 2, mixed, 16c to 17c; rye, No. 2, 34c to 36c; clover seed, \$4.30 to \$4.40.

Milwaukee—Wheat, No. 2, spring, 53c to 55c; corn, No. 3, 21c to 22c; oats, No. 2, 18c to 19c; barley, No. 2, 20c to 31c; rye, No. 1, 32c to 34c; pork, mess, \$5.50 to \$6.00.

Buffalo—Cattle, \$2.50 to \$5.00; hogs, \$3.00 to \$4.00; sheep, \$2.00 to \$4.00; wheat, No. 2 red, 63c to 64c; corn, No. 2, yellow, 26c to 28c; oats, No. 2, white, 22c to 24c.

New York—Cattle, \$3.00 to \$5.25; hogs, \$3.00 to \$4.25; sheep, \$2.00 to \$4.00; wheat, No. 2 red, 62c to 63c; corn, No. 2, 25c to 26c; oats, No. 2, white, 19c to 21c; butter, creamery, 12c to 17c; eggs, Western, 14c to 16c.

GOLD FIELD IN TEXAS.

GREAT EXCITEMENT IN BELL AND MILAM COUNTIES.

Spanish Jesuits and Mexicans Used to Operate There—Banner of Gold Standard Democrats Inscribed with the Names of Palmer and Buckner.

Texas Has Gold Fever.

There is great excitement in Bell and Milam Counties, Texas, over recent discoveries of gold. In Bell County syndicates have leased large bodies of land, and the ore taken out has been sent to Cripple Creek, Colo., to be assayed. If the report is favorable mines will be actively developed. In Milam County gold has been discovered on the old Bowles land, and a company has been organized to work the claims, leases for fifty years having been signed. Many years ago the Spanish Jesuits and Mexicans opened a mine on this land, and tradition says the yield was enormous. Being in dread of the Indians, who roamed at will over Texas in those days, the mine was abandoned. Before leaving, however, they took pains to fill the shaft completely up and cover it with earth. For years parties have made efforts to locate this lost mine, but their labors were never rewarded, and the task was given up.

PALMER THEIR LEADER.

Gold Democrats at Indianapolis Choose the Illinoisan—Buckner for Running Mate.

John McAuley Palmer, of Illinois, is the nominee of the gold standard Democrats for President. Simon Bolivar Buckner, of Kentucky, is the nominee for Vice President. They were nominated Thursday afternoon at Indianapolis almost without opposition and amid scenes of great enthusiasm. There was but one ballot, Senator Palmer receiving 757½ votes to 124½ for Gen. Bragg, of Wisconsin. Gen. Buckner was chosen by acclamation. In less than three hours the convention named its candidates, adopted its declaration of principles and adjourned sine die. Generals Palmer and Buckner will be formally notified of their nomination at Louisville Sept. 12, and the national committee is preparing for a vigorous campaign in every State of the Union.

HORSE MEAT NOT SHIPPED.

No Truth in the Report that English Hacks Are Sold for Beef.

According to United States Consul Johnson at Antwerp there is no truth in the story, which so excited American meat packers, to the effect that broken-down English omnibus horses are killed and packed at Antwerp as canned beef under American labels. The Consul reports to the State Department that he has made most careful inquiry and finds that while the English omnibus hacks do come to Antwerp in large numbers, they are slaughtered and sold for fresh meat and are not packed.

MORE TURKISH RAIDS.

Armenian Servants in the Houses of Americans at Hasksein Slaughtered.

At Hasksein, Turkey, the houses of a number of Americans living in that place were attacked by Turks, the male heads of the houses being absent. All of the Armenian servants in the dwellings were killed and the houses sacked. The ladies escaped to Yenikoi for protection, having lost all of their personal effects. The estimates of the number of persons killed in the recent disturbances there are increasing.

Insane from Unrequited Love.

Hugh Herron, of Pierre, S. D., was working for Wilson Brothers, of Chicago, a year ago, and while there he met a teacher in the city schools, who is several years his senior, and became infatuated with her. She finally left the city to escape his attentions, and he, too, in an effort to find her, visited Omaha, New Orleans, Tampa, Havana and New York. He became violent Wednesday and attacked his parents with an iron bar, and Thursday he was adjudged insane.

Accident in Kansas City.

At Kansas City, Mo., four people were injured, one perhaps fatally, by an accident on the depot decline of the Ninth Street Cable Line. The grip hook on a train half way up the incline broke and permitted the train to go backward at a rapid rate. The gripman became excited and did not set the brakes in time. The train was crowded, and a panic prevailed among the women and children. Several men jumped, and the injured are among them.

Turkish Government Responsible.

Additional facts concerning the recent Constantinople massacres are slowly coming to light. It is now estimated 5,000 persons perished. The Constantinople correspondent of the London Times cables an announcement that the ambassadors of the powers are preparing a note in which the whole blame for the events is laid upon the shoulders of the Government of Turkey.

Executed for Murder.

At Uniontown, Pa., Frank Morris, aged 18, was hanged Wednesday for the murder two years ago of Bernard Loker, a farmer of Chestnut Ridge, just above Connelville. The object was robbery. The murderer was a cheap novel fiend and at no time showed any particular concern about his fate.

Allison Opens Campaign.

The Iowa State campaign was opened in Des Moines Wednesday afternoon with a speech by Senator Allison. He spoke nearly two hours, and his remarks were frequently applauded.

Now a Pneumatic Farm.

Mrs. Mary Johnson is the possessor of a pneumatic farm near Lennox, S. D. Expert drillers have for weeks been trying to sink a driveway on the farm, but at a depth of about 130 feet the air pressure is so high that the drillers have given up in despair.

Lightning's Wild Freak.

At Crystal Lake, Ill., lightning disabled the electric lighting plant during a storm, and the town was left in total darkness. Several barns were struck and set on fire, and horses and other animals were killed.

Eight People Injured.

At Minneapolis a street car was run into by a Minneapolis and St. Louis freight train near the State fair grounds Thursday morning, and eight people were injured, none seriously. The car was fully laden with visitors to the fair. The engine struck the forepart of the car.

HAD HIS NERVE WITH HIM.

The Centipede Was Harmless, but the Stranger Didn't Know It.

The Hawaiian Islands are almost as well off as Ireland. St. Patrick drove all the venomous insects and reptiles out of the green isle, but the Hawaiians claim that the reptiles and insects left on Mr. Dole's domain are in no sense of the word poisonous. People who have particular dealing with venomous insects imported from the islands make the same claim. A local fruit importer said yesterday:

"Very frequently we receive consignments of bananas and pineapples packed in dried grass and leaves. In taking the fruit from the boxes it is not uncommon to find a big centipede crawling along the stalk between the bananas, doing his best to get used to the California climate."

"Tuesday afternoon I was opening a box of bananas and pushed my hand through the straw to get at the stalk. I felt around for a few seconds and thought I could feel something moving around on the back of my hand. I had often heard of the presence of centipedes in fruit shipments, so I carefully withdrew my hand so as to make as little commotion as possible. Imagine my surprise and alarm to see a five-inch centipede slowly crawling up my arm. I was about to strike it when a fruit packer, standing near by, warned me to make no attempt to get rid of it, but to let it crawl up at its leisure. I had forgotten the fact that they were not poisonous, and I know I got as white as a sheet, believing every moment that it would sink its claws into me and send its powerful poison through my blood."

"I looked at it with fear and trembling, but did not dare to move a muscle. It lifted its head and seemed perfectly satisfied to remain where it was. I could hardly restrain myself from shaking it off, but my companion warned me again and again to keep quiet. All I could feel was a tickling sensation. The tickling increased, and I was almost ready to faint with suppressed excitement. Finally the centipede looked up at my sleeve and slowly made for it, moving all the legs in unison. The sensation by this time was unbearable, and I feared I would be unable to remain calm until the thing got entirely off. My flesh seemed to shrink away as the horrible creature proceeded, but in a few more seconds, every one of which seemed an hour, it had settled itself comfortably on the fabric of my clothing, and with a motion quicker than I was ever known to make before I routed it with a stick and sat down, perspiring from head to foot. It was the most thrilling experience I ever figured in and it made me sick the rest of the day. My companion began to laugh as though he would die of merriment, but I saw nothing particularly humorous in the situation."

PALMER AND BUCKNER

BLUE AND GRAY PUT FORTH AT INDIANAPOLIS.

Anti-Silver Democrats Adopt a Platform and Name Candidates for President and Vice-President—Chosen on First Ballot.

Palmer for President.
John M. Palmer, United States Senator from Illinois, was nominated for President of the United States by the anti-silver Democrats at Indianapolis, and Gen. S. B. Buckner, of Kentucky, was nominated for Vice President. The nomination of Senator Palmer, who received 757½ votes on the only ballot cast, was made unanimous on the motion of Gen. E. S. Bragg, of Wisconsin, his only competitor, who received 124½ votes. Gen. Buckner was nominated for Vice President by acclamation, for no other candidate was placed before the convention. The nominating and seconding speeches were numerous, and enthusiasm ran high from the moment the reading clerk began to call the roll of the States until the Chairman duly announced that the convention was at an end.

The Gold Democratic national convention at Indianapolis was called to order by Senator Palmer of Illinois at 12:29 o'clock Wednesday afternoon. Bishop John Hazen White, of the diocese of Indiana, pronounced an invocation and ex-Congressman Outhwaite of Ohio read the call under which the convention was assembled. Ex-Gov. Roswell P. Flower of New York was introduced as temporary chairman and made a long address defining the views of the gold Democrats.

Promptly at 11 o'clock the doors leading to Tomlinson Hall were opened, but admission was confined under strict orders to ticket holders. They arrived rather slowly at first. A band was located in the upper gallery at the rear of the hall. Tomlinson Hall, in which the convention was held, is situated at Market and Delaware streets, in the center of the city, within easy reach of all the hotels. It is



JOHN M. PALMER.

SIMON B. BUCKNER.

were the names of the various States of the Union, ornamented with a shield and flags, making a very handsome appearance. The ceiling was trimmed with red, white and blue bunting in canopy shape.

In calling the convention to order Senator Palmer struck a responsive chord. The calling of the roll was also accompanied by great enthusiasm as party leaders answered for their respective States. Idaho, Nevada, Utah and Wyoming were the only States whose names passed unanswered. Of the Territories Arizona, Oklahoma and Indian Territory had no delegates present.

Temporary organization was then effected, with ex-Gov. Roswell P. Flower of New York as chairman and John R. Wilson of Indiana as secretary. Mr. Flower was loudly cheered as he took the gavel from Senator Palmer, and in a speech which was liberally applauded throughout he addressed the convention. After the roll of States had been called for the members of the committees on resolutions and credentials, national committeemen and vice presidents a recess for two hours was taken at 2 o'clock.

When the convention reassembled Del-

disaster from the country and ruin for their party; that the Chicago platform attacks sound financial policy and that delegates to that convention abandoned for Republican allies the Democratic cause of tariff reform to court the favor of protectionists; that delegates to the Indianapolis convention cannot support candidates of the Chicago convention nor be bound by its acts, liberal policy toward American shipping is demanded; and an economical administration of government; international arbitration, and a liberal pension policy are favored; all efforts to touch the Supreme Court are condemned, and the gold standard is approved. The platform expresses opposition to free and unlimited coinage of silver and compulsory purchase of bullion; denounces the present system of paper currency as a constant source of injury, and demands currency reform, and commends the fidelity, patriotism and courage of Cleveland's administration.

The platform was adopted unanimously. A motion to take a recess was cried down. Breckinridge of Kentucky moved to nominate a candidate on the platform. The motion carried, and a roll call was

TALMAGE'S SERMON.

HE PREACHES UPON A SEASONABLE SUBJECT.

A Journey from Canaan to Egypt to Get Corn—A Famine-Struck World—The Point Which Discomfits Many a Sin Starved Soul.

The Bread Crusade.

No one not born and brought up in the country could preach a sermon like this of Dr. Talmage. It is a pastoral and full of scenes from country life. The text is Genesis xliii., 3: And Judah spake unto us, saying, Ye shall not see my face, except your brother be with you.

Nothing to eat! Plenty of corn in Egypt, but ghastly famine in Canaan. The cattle moaning in the stall. Men, women and children awfully white with hunger. Not the failing of one crop for one summer, but the failing of all the crops for seven years. A nation dying for lack of that which is so common on your table and so little appreciated: the product of harvest field and gristmill and oven; the price of sweat and anxiety and struggle—bread! Jacob, the father, has the last report from the flour bin, and he finds that everything is out, and he says to his sons, "Boys, hook up the wagons and start for Egypt and get us something to eat." The fact was there was a great corn-crisis in Egypt. The people of Egypt have been largely taxed in all ages, at the present time paying between 70 and 80 per cent. of their products to the government. No wonder in that time they had a large corn-crisis, and it was full. To that crisis they came from the regions around about—those who were famished—some paying for the corn in money. When the money was exhausted, paying for the corn in sheep and cattle and horses and camels, and when they were exhausted, then selling their own bodies and their families into slavery.

The Start for Bread.

The morning for starting out on the crusade for bread has arrived. Jacob gets his family up very early. But before the elder sons start they say something that makes him tremble with emotion from head to foot and burst into tears. The fact was that these elder sons had once before been in Egypt to get corn, and they had been treated somewhat roughly, the lord of the corn-crisis supplying them with corn, but saying at the close of the interview, "Now, you need not come back here for any more corn unless you bring something better than money—even your younger brother Benjamin." Ah, Benjamin—that very name was suggestive of all tenderness. The mother had died at the birth of that son—a spirit coming and another spirit going—and the very thought of parting with Benjamin must have been a heartbreak. The keeper of this corn-crisis, nevertheless, says to these elder sons, "There is no need of your coming up here any more for corn unless you can bring Benjamin, your father's darling." Now Jacob and his family very much needed bread, but what a struggle it would be to give up his son. The oratorials are very demonstrative in their grief, and I hear the outwailing of the father as these elder sons keep reiterating in his ears the announcement of the Egyptian lord, "Ye shall not see my face unless your brother be with you." "Why did you tell him you had a brother?" says the old man, complaining and chiding them. "Why, father," they said, "he asked us all about our family, and we had no idea that he would make any such demand upon us as he has made." "No use of asking me," said the father. "I cannot, I will not, give up Benjamin." The fact was that the old man had lost children, and when there has been bereavement in a household and a child taken it makes the other children in the household more precious. So the day for departure was adjourned and adjourned. Still the horrors of the famine increased, and louder moaned the cattle and wider open cracked the earth and more pallid became the cheeks, until Jacob, in despair, cried out to his sons, "Take Benjamin and be off!" The elder sons tried to cheer up their father. They said: "We have strong arms and a stout heart, and no harm will come to Benjamin. We'll see that he gets back again." "Farewell!" said the young men to the father, in a tone of assumed good cheer. "Farewell-e-l!" said the old man. For that word has more quavers in it when pronounced by the aged than by the young.

The Reception.

Well, the bread party, the bread embassy, drives up in front of the corn-crisis. Those corn-crisis are filled with wheat and barley and corn in the husk, for modern travelers in those lands, both in Canaan and in Egypt, tell us there is corn there corresponding with our Indian maize. Huzza! The journey is ended. The lord of the corn-crisis, who is also the prime minister, comes down to these newly arrived travelers and says: "Dine with me to-day. How is your father? Is this Benjamin, the younger brother whose presence I demanded?" The travelers are introduced into the palace. They are worn and bedusted of the way, and servants come in with a basin of water and kneel down before these newly arrived travelers, washing off the dust of the way. The butchers and poulterers and caterers of the prime minister prepare the repast. The guests are seated in small groups, two or three at a table, the food on a tray. All the luxuries from imperial gardens and orchards and aquariums and aviaries are brought there and are filling chalice and platter. Now is the time for this prime minister, if he has a grudge against Benjamin, to show it. Will he kill him now that he has him in his hands? Oh, no! This lord of the corn-crisis is seated at his own table, and he looks over to the tables of his guests, and he sends a portion to Benjamin, or, as the Bible quaintly puts it, "Benjamin's mess was five times as much as any of theirs." Be quick and send word back with the swiftest camel to Canaan to old Jacob that "Benjamin is well; all is well; he is faring sumptuously; the Egyptian lord did not mean murder and death, but he meant deliverance and life when he announced to us on that day, 'Ye shall not see my face unless your brother be with you.'"

Well, my friends, this world is famine struck of sin. It does not yield a single crop of solid satisfaction. It is dying. It is hunger bitten. The fact that it does not, cannot, feed a man's heart was well illustrated in the life of the English comedian. All the world honored him—did everything for him that the world could do. He was applauded in England and in the United States. He roused up nations

into laughter. He had no equal. And yet, although many people supposed him entirely happy and that this world was completely satisfying his soul, he sits down and writes: "I never in my life put on a new hat that it did not rain and ruin it. I never went out in a shabby coat because it was raining and thought all who had the choice would keep indoors that the sun did not come out in its strength and bring out with it all the butterflies of fashion whom I knew and who knew me. I never consented to accept a part I hated out of kindness to another that I did not get hissed by the public and cut by the writer. I could not take a drive for a few minutes with Terry without being overturned and having my elbow broken, though my friend got off unharmed. I could not make a covenant with Arnold, which I thought was to make my fortune without making his instead, that in an incredibly short space of time—I think thirteen months—I earned for him £20,000 and for myself £1. I am persuaded that if I were to set up as a baker, every one in my neighborhood would leave off eating bread."

The Meaning of the Message.

That was the lament of the world's comedian and joker. All unhappy. The world did everything for Lord Byron that it could do, and yet in his last moment he asked a friend to come and sit down by him and read as most appropriate to case, the story of "The Bleeding Heart." Torrigiano, the sculptor, executed, after months of care and carving, "Madonna and the Child." The royal family came in and admired it. Everybody that looked at it was in ecstasy, but one day, after all that toil and all that admiration, because he did not get as much compensation for his work as he had expected, he took a mallet and dashed the exquisite sculpture into atoms. The world is poor compensation, poor satisfaction, poor solace. Famine, famine in all the earth; not for seven years, but for 6,000.

But, blessed be God, there is a great corn-crisis. The Lord built it. It is in another land. It is a large place. An angel once measured it, and as far as I can calculate it in one phrase, that corn-crisis is 1,500 miles long and 1,500 miles broad and 1,500 high, and it is full. Food for all nations. "Oh," say the people, "we will start right away and get this supply for our soul." But stop a moment, for from the Keeper of that corn-crisis comes this word, saying, "You shall not see my face except your brother be with you." In other words, there is no such thing as getting from heaven pardon and comfort and eternal life unless we bring with us our divine Brother, the Lord Jesus Christ. Coming without him we shall fall before we reach the corn-crisis and our bodies shall be a portion for the jackals of the wilderness, but coming with the divine Jesus, all the granaries of heaven will swing open before our soul and abundance shall be given us. We shall be invited to sit in the palace of the King and at the table, and while the Lord of heaven is apportioning from his own table to other tables, he will not forget us, and then there it will be found that our Benjamin's mess is larger than all the others, for so it ought to be. "Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive blessing and riches and honor and glory and power."

I want to make three points. Every frank and common sense man will acknowledge himself to be a sinner. What are you going to do with your sins? Have them pardoned, you say. How? Through the mercy of God. What do you mean by the mercy of God? Is it the letting down of a bar for the admission of all, without respect to character? Be not deceived. I see a soul coming up to the gate of mercy and knocking at the corner of heavenly supply and a voice from within says, "Are you alone?" The sinner replies, "All alone." The voice from within says, "You shall not see my pardoning face unless your divine Brother, the Lord Jesus, be with you."

Oh, that is the point at which so many are discomfited. There is no mercy from God except through Jesus Christ. Coming with him, we are accepted. Coming without him, we are rejected. Peter put it right in his great sermon before the high priests when he thundered forth: "Neither is there salvation in any other. There is no other name given under heaven among men whereby we may be saved." Oh, anxious sinner! Oh, dying sinner! Oh, lost sinner! All you have to do is to have this divine Benjamin along with you. Side by side, coming to the gate, all the storehouses of heaven will swing open before your anxious soul.

Am I right in calling Jesus Benjamin? Oh, yes. Rachel lived only long enough to give a name to that child and with a dying kiss she called him Benoni. Afterward Jacob changed his name, and he called him Benjamin. The meaning of the name she gave was "Son of my Pain." The meaning of the name the father gave was, "Son of my Right Hand." And was not Christ the "Son of Pain"? All the sorrow of Rachel in that hour when she gave her child over into the hands of strangers was as nothing compared with the struggle of God when he gave up his only Son. And was not Christ appropriately called "Son of the Right Hand"? Did not Stephen look into heaven and see him standing at the right hand of God? And does not Paul speak of him as standing at the right hand of God making intercession for us? Oh, Benjamin—Jesus! Son of Pain! Son of Victory! The deepest emotions of our souls ought to be stirred at the sound of that nomenclature. In your prayers plead his tears, his sufferings, his sorrows, and his death. If you refuse to do it, all the corn-crisis and the palaces of heaven will be bolted and barred against your soul and a voice from the throne shall stun you with the announcement, "You shall not see my face except your brother be with you."

Real Comfort.

My text also suggests the reason why so many people do not get any real comfort. You meet ten people. Nine of them are in need of some kind of condolence. There is something in their health, or in their state, or in their domestic condition that demands sympathy. And yet most of the world's sympathy amounts to absolutely nothing. People go to the wrong crib, or they go in the wrong way. When the plague was in Rome a great many years ago, there were eighty men who chanted themselves to death with the litanies of Gregory the Great—literally chanted themselves to death—and yet it did not stop the plague. And all the music of this world cannot halt the plague of the human heart. I come to some one whose ailments are chronic and I say, "In heaven you will never be sick." That does not give you much comfort. What you want is a soothing power for your present distress. Lost children, have you? I come to you and tell you that in ten years perhaps you will meet those loved ones before the throne of God. But

there is but little condolence in that. One day is a year with them and ten years is a small eternity. What you want is sympathy now—present help. I come to those of you who have lost dear friends and say: "Try to forget them. Do not keep the departed always in your mind." How can you forget them when every figure in the carpet, and every book, and every picture and every room calls out their name? Suppose I come to you and say by way of condolence, "God is wise." "Oh," you say, "that gives me no help." Suppose I come to you and say, "God from all eternity, has arranged this trouble." "Ah," you say, "that does me no good." Then I say, "With the swift feet of prayer go direct to the corner for a heavenly supply." You go. You say, "Lord, help me; Lord, comfort me." But no help yet. No comfort yet. It is all dark. What is the matter? I have found. You ought to go to God and say: "Here, O Lord, are the wounds of my soul, and I bring with me the wounded Jesus. Let his wounds pay for my wounds, his bereavements for my bereavements, his loneliness for my loneliness, his heartbreak for my heartbreak. O God, for the sake of the Lord Jesus Christ—the God, the Man, the Benjamin, the Brother—deliver my agonized soul. O Jesus of the weary foot, ease my fatigue! O Jesus of the aching head, heal my aching head! O Jesus of the Bethany sisters, roll away the stone from the door of our grave!"

That is the kind of prayer that brings help, and yet how many of you are getting no help at all for the reason that there is in your soul perhaps a secret trouble! You may never have mentioned it to a single human ear, or you may have mentioned it to some one who is now gone away, and that greatest sorrow is still in your soul. After Washington Irving was dead they found a little box that contained a braid of hair and a miniature and the name of Matilda Hoffman and a memorandum of her death, and a remark something like this: "The world after that was a blank to me. I went into the country, but found no peace in solitude. I tried to get into society, but I found no peace in society. There has been a horror hanging over me by night and by day, and I am afraid to be alone."

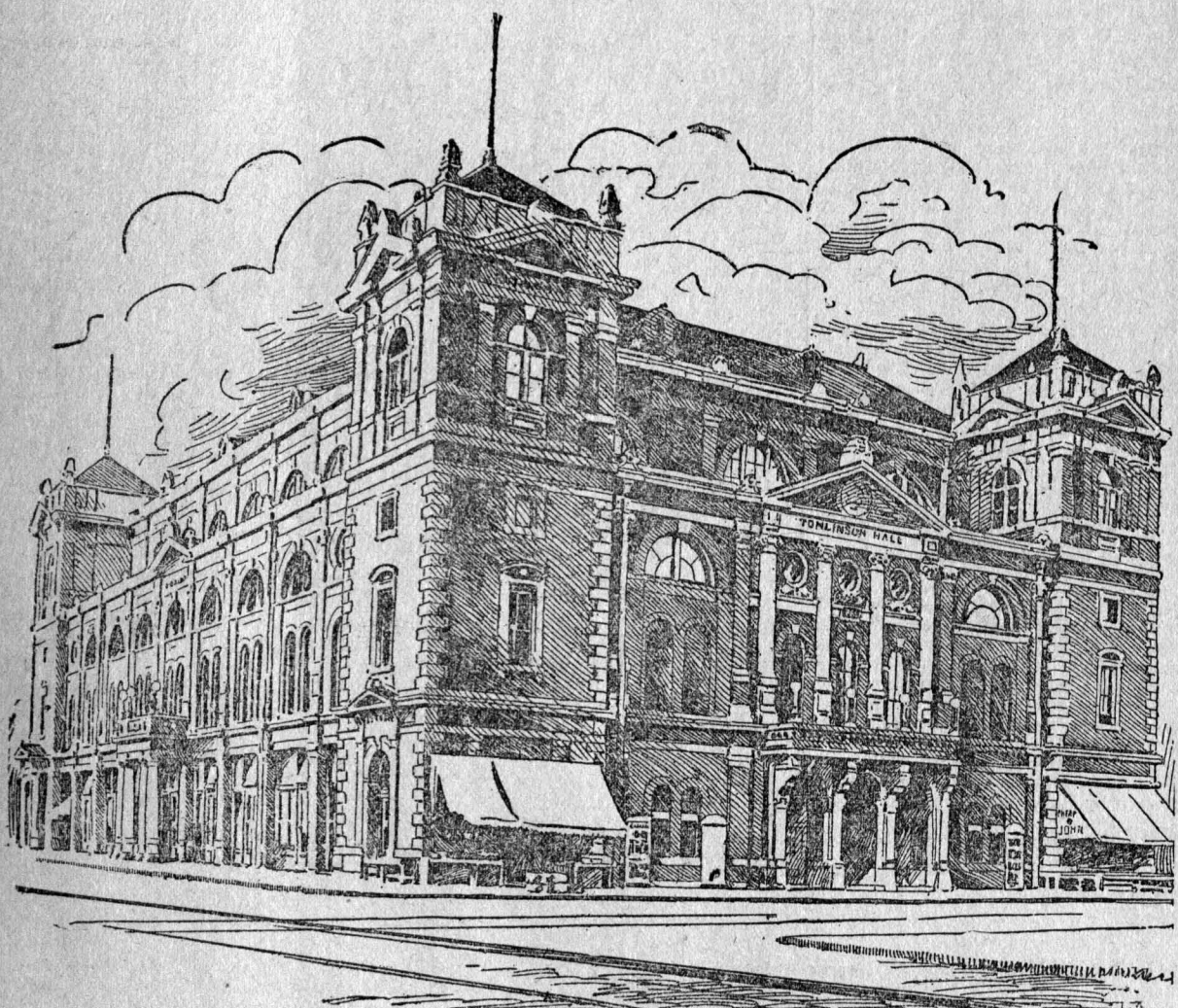
Salve for a Wounded Soul.

How many unuttered troubles among you! No human ear has ever heard that sorrow. Oh, troubled soul, I want to tell you that there is one salve that can cure the wounds of the heart, and that is the salve made out of the tears of a sympathetic Jesus. And yet some of you will not take this salve, and you try chloral, and you try morphine, and you try strong drink, and you try change of scene, and you try new business associations, and anything and everything rather than to take the divine companionship and sympathy suggested by the words of my text when it says, "You shall not see my face again unless your brother be with you." Oh, that this audience to-day might understand something of the height and depth and length and breadth and immensity and infinity of God's eternal consolations!

I go further and find in my subject a hint as to why so many people fail of heaven. We are told that heaven has twelve gates, and some people infer from that fact that all the people will go in without reference to their past life, but what is the use of having a gate that is not sometimes to be shut? The swinging of a gate implies that our entrance into heaven is conditional. It is not a monetary condition. If we come to the door of an exquisite concert, we are not surprised that we must pay a fee, for we know that fine earthly music is expensive, but all the oratorios of heaven cost nothing. Heaven pays nothing for its music. It is all free. There is nothing to be paid at that door for entrance, but the condition of getting into heaven is our bringing our divine Benjamin along with us. Do you notice how often dying people call upon Jesus? It is the usual prayer offered—the prayer offered more than all the other prayers put together—"Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." One of our congregation, when asked in the closing moments of his life, "Do you know us?" said: "Oh, yes, I know you. God bless you. Good-by. Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." And he was gone. Oh, yes, in the closing moments of our life we must have a Christ to call upon. If Jacob's sons had gone up toward Egypt, and had gone with the very finest equipage, and had not taken Benjamin along with them, and to the question they should have been obliged to answer: "Sir, we didn't bring him, as father could not let him go. We didn't want to be bothered with him," a voice from within would have said: "Go away from us. You shall not have any of this supply. You shall not see my face because your brother is not with you."

If Jacob's sons, coming toward Egypt, had lost everything on the way; if they had expended their last shekel; if they had come up utterly exhausted to the corn-crisis of Egypt and it had been found that Benjamin was with them, all the storehouses would have swung open before them. And so, though by fatal casualty we may be ushered into the eternal world, though we may be weak and exhausted by protracted sickness—if in that last moment we can only just stagger and faint and fall into the gate of heaven—it seems that all the corn-crisis of heaven will open for our need and all the palaces will open for our reception, and the Lord of that place, seated at his table, and all the angels of God, seated at their table, and all our glorified kindred, seated at our table, the King shall pass a portion from his table to ours, and then, while we think of the fact that it was Jesus who started us on the road, and Jesus who kept us on the way, and Jesus who at last gained admittance for our soul, we shall be glad if he has seen of the travail of his soul and been satisfied, and not be at all jealous if it be found that our divine Benjamin's mess is five times larger than all the rest. Hail, anointed of the Lord! Thou art worthy!

My friends, you see it is either Christ or famine. If there were two banquets spread, and to one of them only you might go, you might stand and think for a good while as to which invitation you had better accept; but here it is feasting or starvation. If there were two mansions offered and you might have only one, you might think for a long while, saying, "Perhaps I had better accept this gift, and perhaps I had better accept that gift." But here it is a choice between palaces of light and hovels of despair. If it were a choice between oratorios, you might say, "I prefer 'The Creation,'" or, "I prefer 'The Messiah.'" But here it is a choice between eternal harmony and everlasting discord. Oh, will you live or die? Will you sail into the harbor or drive on the rocks? Will you start for the Egyptian corn-crisis or will you perch amid empty barns of the Canaanite famine?



EXTERIOR OF THE INDIANAPOLIS CONVENTION HALL.

capable of seating comfortably about 4,000 people, and is admirably adapted for the purpose of a large public meeting. The interior and exterior of the building were handsomely draped with bunting in the national colors, interspersed with the stars and stripes and other patriotic and appropriate devices. The rear of the stage was ornamented with life-sized portraits of Jefferson, Jackson and Joseph McDonald on the one side, and Cleveland, Tilden and Hendricks on the other. In the center and over the head of the chairman was a large eagle with shield and flags. The rear of the stage was curtained off with red, white and blue bunting. To the right and left of the stage bunting was arranged to represent a sunburst with curtains made of immense national banners. Fan-shaped curtains of the same material extended from the right to the left of the stage overhead. The stage itself was raised some four feet above the general level of the floor so as

legate Brennan of Wisconsin, chairman of the Committee on Credentials, reported 824 delegates present, representing forty-one States and three Territories, which was greeted with ringing cheers. Pending permanent organization, Dr. Everett of Massachusetts, son of Edward Everett, made a brief speech.

Delegate Roberts of Missouri then reported that the Committee on Permanent Organization had decided on Senator Caffrey of Louisiana for chairman. It also recommended that the national committee be empowered to call future conventions. The adoption of this latter portion of the report, looking to a permanent party, was accompanied by deafening applause.

Caffrey Made Chairman.

In assuming the chair Senator Caffrey made a speech outlining the policy and purpose of the "National Democrats." Among other things he said:

"When our people recover from the debauch of populism and anarchy they will discard the men who have led their orgy. If we go to McKinley those men will be the recognized exponents of democracy. When the fumes of the debauch are dissipated and sober reason resumes her sway, our flock will turn toward its fold only to find it destroyed. We therefore stand fast. We sound a bugle call throughout the land for all Democrats to rally forth to support of Government and law, for the honor of their country and for the maintenance and preservation of their creed, its memories and its glories."

John P. Irish of California, who has quite a reputation as an orator, fully justified it with a brief speech prior to adjournment of the convention to 11 o'clock Thursday morning.

Chairman Caffrey called the convention to order at 11:38 Thursday morning. The Platform Committee was not ready to report, so the crowd called on Col. W. C. P. Breckinridge for a speech. He was escorted forward amid mingled hisses and cheers, and made a brief address. Mr. Ochs, of Pennsylvania, offered a resolution that the national convention express grief at the untimely death of William E. Russell. It was carried by a rising vote. T. De Witt Warner of New York, Lehman of Missouri, Bynum of Indiana, and Eckels of Illinois addressed the convention. A motion to take a recess at 1:45 was voted down.

Senator Vilas then appeared and read the report of the Resolutions Committee. The platform declares that the convention met that Democrats may unite to avert

ordered. Carroll of Kentucky, withdrew Watterson's name, and a telegram was received from President Cleveland announcing his positive declination.

Palmer's Name Presented.

Palmer's name was presented by the Michigan delegation, as he had refused to allow the Illinois delegates to put him in nomination. His name was greeted with an outburst of cheers that caused him to retire to a lobby in confusion. John E. Hartridge of Louisiana, after regretting the refusal of President Cleveland to allow his name to be presented, seconded Gen. Palmer's nomination. Georgia did the same. Then the States, one after another, fell into line. Senator Palmer was nominated on the first ballot, and the choice was at once made unanimous on motion of Gen. Bragg.

The nomination of the Vice President was then taken up, and the Chairman instructed the reading clerk to call the roll. That young man took in the situation and



GEN. EDWARD S. BRAGG.

promptly called out "Kentucky." This raised a cheer for Gen. Buckner, and his name rose from all parts of the hall. Wm. B. Browden made the nominating speech, and the instant he closed his address a delegate sprang up and moved to nominate Gen. Buckner by acclamation. It received a dozen seconds and was carried with a great roar.



PERMANENT CHAIRMAN CAFFREY.

to give the officers and the distinguished citizens and guests who occupied the platform with them a conspicuous position for observation. The front of the stage was handsomely ornamented with palms, ferns and sunlaux. A conspicuous feature of all these decorations was the gilding of all the picture frames and shields and staves which ornament the hall. An immense vase containing golden rods, rested at the right hand of the presiding officer. Gold was everywhere on all the ornaments on which it could be appropriately placed. On the walls on the upper and lower galleries were golden wreaths, within which



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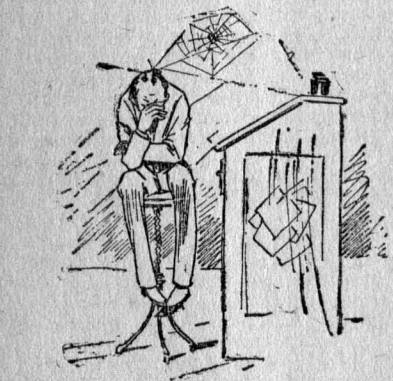
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Middleville	7:25	1:25	4:25	11:25	9:35	1:25
Hastings	7:50	1:50	4:50	11:50	9:55	1:50
Jackson Ar.	8:50	3:50	5:50	12:50	10:55	3:50

WESTWARD BOUND.

STATIONS.	Pac	Spl	Mt	GR	Fr	Ar
	Exp	Dy	Exp	Exp		
Grand Rapids Ar.	5:30	6:40	1:40	10:20	4:05	11:10
Middleville	4:35	5:45	12:55	9:25	3:15	10:15
Hastings	4:05	5:15	12:25	8:55	2:45	9:45
Jackson Lv.	1:00	3:50	10:35	7:30	7:10	10:10

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NORTHERN DIVISION	Leave	Arrive
	From	From
Trav. City, Petky & Mack	* 7:45 am	* 10:00 pm
Trav. City, Petky & Mack	* 2:00 pm	* 5:15 pm
Trav. City, Petky & Mack	* 8:25 pm	* 11:10 pm
Potosky and Mackinaw	* 11:00 pm	* 5:30 am
Train leaving at 7:45 a. m. has parlor car to Potosky and Mackinaw. Train leaving at 2:00 p. m. is a solid train with day coaches and parlor car to Potosky, Bay View and Harbor Springs. Train leaving at 11:00 p. m. has sleeping cars to Potosky and Mackinaw.		

SOUTHERN DIVISION.

	South	So
Cincinnati.....	+ 7:10 am	+ 8:
Ft. Wayne.....	+ 2:00 pm	+ 1:
Cincinnati.....	*10:15 pm	* 7:
7:10 a. m. train has parlor car to Cincinnati.		
10:15 p. m. train has sleeping cars to Cincinnati, Indianapolis and Louisville.		

MUSKOGEE TRAINS.

Lv Gd Rps	*7:25am	*1:00pm	*5:40pm	*9
Ar Muskegon	8:50am	2:10pm	7:05pm	10
Lv Muskegon (Steamer)			7:45pm	
Ar Milwaukee (Steamer)			4:00am	

GOING EAST.

Leave	Arrive
Lv Milwaukee	* 8:00 pm
Ar Muskegon	* 1:00 am
Lv Muskegon	* 1:45 am
Ar Gd Rps	* 12:55 pm
Steamer leaves Muskegon, Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Leaves Milwaukee, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.	

* 22-cent Sunday. * Daily. * Sunday only.

A. ALMQUIST, C. L. LOCKWOOD, Ticket Agent, Union Station.

THE MIDDLEVILLE SUN

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 1896.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Mrs. Dr. Taylor is very sick.

A good speed program at the fair this year.

Mrs. W. C. Sackett is numbered among the sick.

W. L. Wood of Caledonia was in town on business Tuesday.

Mrs. M. A. Dietrich is recovering from a week's illness.

The SUN force extend thanks to J. D. Kenyon for a basket of luscious peaches.

Chas. Hopper has laid on our table cherry sprigs containing second growth blossoms.

Myrtle Hayward of Wayland is spending a few days with her brother W. J. and family.

Mrs. O'Reilly of Bowne and Mrs. Foley of Grand Rapids, are guests of Edward O'Reilly.

W. R. Cook of the Hastings Banner, was in attendance at the republican rally last evening.

Owing to the illness of our compositor, Miss Vera P. Cobb, a number of our correspondents are necessarily left over until next issue.

W. G. M., Lida A. Pratt and W. G. P., Charles Conover and G. S. A. A. Matteson are in Bellevue today where they will organize a chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star.

James Ackerson did not pass in his cadet examination at Annapolis and in company with his father returned home last evening. However the hopes are that he has another trial next May.

On Tuesday the boys in the factory presented their foreman Chas. Cook with a K. of P. watch chain charm and on Tuesday evening members of Iva Temple of which Mr. and Mrs. Cook are members, were given a farewell supper in the lodge rooms after which during lodge several speeches were made by knights and ladies showing the high esteem in which they are held by the order. They are soon to move to Grand Rapids where they will make it their permanent home.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Two good games of ball at the fair this year.

Kent Co. fair at Grand Rapids Sept. 15-18, 1896.

Maccabees! Attend a meeting this week Friday evening at Chapman's store.

Reading club will meet with Mrs. Dietrich Sept. 16. Readers Mrs. Cobb and Mrs. Dietrich. Spelling Mistress Mrs. Brown. Critic Mrs. French. Questions, Miss Pratt. Author, Hannah Moore. Reading begins chapter xxxii history of Rome.

Baptist church, Walter A. Biss, pastor. Services at 10:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. Sunday school at the close of morning service. Junior B. Y. P. U. at 3:30 p.m. Senior B. Y. P. U., 6:30 p.m. Subject, "Getting Ready for Usefulness." Mrs. Griffin. Prayer meeting, Thursday, 7:30 p.m.

Congregational church, H. Appleton, pastor. Services 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Subject for morning, "Harvest." Subject for evening, "Christ the Light." Sabbath school at the close of morning service. Junior C. E., 4 p. m. Subject, "How Should a Christian Use His Tongue for Christ." Leader, Miss Gertrude Shay. Y. P. S. C. E., 6:30 p. m. Subject, "Our Tongues for Christ." Leader, Jesse W. Cobb. Teachers' meeting, Monday, 7 p. m. Prayer meeting, Thursday, 7:30 p. m. A cordial welcome at all services.

A missionary program will be rendered in the Baptist church on Sunday evening next.

Voluntary. Miss Clever Hymn—304. Prayer. Rev. J. H. Rogers. Scripture Lesson. Maude Boorn Recitation. Mrs. Bert Pinney Recitation. Lucile Wilkinson Recitation. Alice Zimmer Hymn—181. Recitation. Hazel Hendrick Recitation. Bessie Griffin Song. Infant Class Dialogue. Bertha Fenton. Myrtle Rogers. Duet. Miss Belle Cook. Mrs. M. Coykendall Reading. Miss J. M. Robertson Pastor Remarks. Hymn—240. Benediction.

M. E. AID SOCIETY.

The M. E. Aid society will meet at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Clever Friday afternoon, Sept. 11. Business meeting at 3 p. m. to which all members are earnestly requested to be present to transact important business. Chairman of entertainment committee, Mrs. E. Tewksbury. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

BAPTIST AID SOCIETY.

The Baptist Aid society will meet in the church parlors Friday p. m., Sept. 18. Business meeting at 4 o'clock. Tea will be served by the 5th division, Mrs. Wm. Severance, chairman. Chairman of reception committee, Mrs. Bray. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

It doesn't matter much whether sick headache, biliousness, indigestion and constipation are caused by neglect or unavoidable circumstances; De Witt's Little Early Risers will speedily cure them all. Dr. Nelson Abbott.

REPUBLICAN RALLY.

Last evening about two hundred more people gathered than could get into Opera hall with the expectation of hearing Hon. Charles N. Thomas of Iowa. For some reason Mr. Thomas did not fill the engagement, but in his stead ex-Senator L. G. Palmer of Big Rapids, addressed the packed house and proved an excellent second. His statements were concise, clean cut and backed up by history, which he advised all to study.

Before the speech began a McKinley club was organized with the following officers:

President—H. E. Hendrick.
Vice President—R. T. French.
Secretary—G. L. Keeler.
Ex. Com.—R. M. Johnson, Aaron Sherk, M. S. Keeler.

Petitions containing 231 names were presented which have since been increased to 250.

The Bell Quartet furnished music for the occasion which, judging from the applause, was well rendered.

FUSION COUNTY TICKET.

The following candidates were nominated by the fusionists at their convention held in Hastings last Friday.

Judge of Probate—R. M. Bates of Hastings, democrat.
Sheriff—Charles M. Mack of Baltimore, silver republican.
Clerk—Wm. Webb of Middleville, democrat.

Register—Andrew Cortright of Hickory Corners, democrat.
Treasurer—Henry Roe of Nashville, democrat.

Prosecutor—Thomas Sullivan of Freeport, democrat.
Circuit Court Com.—F. W. Walker, Ed. Mallory, silver republicans.

Representative—W. F. Hicks of Hastings, democrat.
Coroners—Dr. Powers of Assyria, Dr. Fuller of Hastings, silver republicans.

BARRY COUNTY PIONEER SOCIETY.

Annual meeting at the court room, Hastings, Saturday, Sept. 12, 1896.

PROGRAM.

FORENOON SESSION 10 O'CLOCK.

Prayer.
Reading of minutes.
Remarks by the President.
Report of the Historian.
Paper—Early History of the Town of...
Remarks on the same.
Election of Officers.

AFTERNOON SESSION 1:30 O'CLOCK.

Singing.
Paper—Early Recollections of the Town of Rutland... A. D. Kook, S. C. Prindle.
Remarks.
Paper—Early Settlement of the Town of Yankee Springs.
Remarks.
Singing.
History of Barry County.
Thanksgiving sermon delivered Nov., 1890.
Singing—Auld Lang Syne.
Benediction.

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. Hathaway & Co., 70 Dearborn street, Chicago. 21-52

WANTED—Names and addresses. We pay liberally for same. Write and enclose stamp for instructions. Mills & Co., Horner Bldg., Hot Springs, Ark. 18

STATE FAIR.

The Michigan Central will sell tickets at the rate of one fare for round trip, for above occasion, to Grand Rapids. Date of sale, Sept. 7 to 11 inclusive. Limit to return, Sept. 12.

34-4 J. E. GOGLE, Local Agt.

Many a day's work is lost by sick headache, caused by indigestion and stomach troubles. De Witt's Little Early Risers are the most effective pill for overcoming such difficulties. Dr. Nelson Abbott.

The whole system is drained and undermined by indolent sores. De Witt's Witch Hazel Salve speedily heals them. It is the best pile cure known. Dr. Nelson Abbott.

REDUCED RATES TO FAIRS.

For the following fairs tickets will be sold at rate of one fare for round trip: Kent county at Grand Rapids Sept. 15 to 18, limit to return Sept. 19.

Barry County Agricultural Society at Hastings Sept. 22 to 25, limit to return Sept. 26.

Eaton County Agricultural Society at Charlotte Sept. 29 to Oct. 2, limit to return Oct. 3.

Caledonia Union at Caledonia Sept. 30 to Oct. 2, limit to return Oct. 3.

J. E. GOGLE, Local Agent.

Mrs. Caroline Hunter, wife of Robert Hunter, jr., and one of the oldest residents of Lowell, died on Monday, aged 74 years.

TWENTY DAYS' TREATMENT FREE.

Every invalid who visits the British Medical Institute in the Widdicombe building, Grand Rapids, will, till further notice, receive 20 days' treatment, including all medicines free of charge. The object in making this liberal offer is to convince the public of the superiority of the British system of practice. If you are tired of being humbugged and maltreated by quacks and impostors—consult us. We have made the treatment of all chronic diseases the study of our life. If you are in need of honest treatment we will give it you. Our staff consists of seven eminent specialists, and their combined wisdom is brought to bear in all complicated, difficult or doubtful cases. Consultation free either at Institute or by mail. If you cannot call, send stamp for question blank. Our charges for treatment vary from \$5 to \$30 per month either by mail or at Institute. Only curable cases are accepted, and a cure is guaranteed in every case undertaken.

P. S.—Send 10 cents for our little illustrated booklet on Steam Nebulization, showing the only rational and successful treatment of catarrh, catarrhal deafness, bronchitis, asthma and consumption. 36tf

The Way to Iron Lace Collars.

Washington Evening Star: In ironing the lace collars on underwear or lawn dresses you can make the lace look almost like new after this fashion: Iron all the rest of the garment, then have a clean, wet cloth at hand, with which spat the lace till it is pretty damp, then rub it over with a moderately warm iron. Do the smoothing of the lace rapidly and leave it quite damp. As soon as you have finished a ruffle or a sleeve lay down and gently pull the lace out to its fullest width, smoothing and patting every fine stitch at the edge into shape. When you once get used to it you will not have to spend much time, and it improves lace wonderfully to treat it that way.

A Locomotive's Life.

Some careful experiments which have been made in England prove that the life of a locomotive is about 500,000 "train miles." In other words, that a locomotive of the latest approved pattern will run 500,000 miles before wearing out so as to be useless. In making this run of 500,000 miles the fire box will have to be renewed three times, the wheel tires five or six times and the crank axles from three to five times.

Will Challenge Him.

Brown—"I'm going to challenge that man who ran off with my wife." Jones—"Why, that was six months ago." Brown—"I know it, but he has sent her back."—New York World.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Name and Residence.	Age.
Albert J. Arnold, Hastings City; Hattie B. Padmattar, same.	23-20
Jesse H. Bowerman, Yankee Springs; Mary E. Rockwood, same.	23-31
Durward A. Quick, Maple Grove; Mattie L. Hinckley, same.	23-22

"Boys will be boys," but you can't afford to lose any of them. Be ready for the green apple season by having De Witt's Colic & Cholera Cure in the house. Dr. Nelson Abbott.

W. H. Hoag, a prominent commission man, died suddenly of paralysis at Nashville on Sunday. He leaves a wife, two sons and two daughters whose home is at Jersey City.

Theories of cure may be discussed at length by physicians, but the sufferers want quick relief; and One Minute Cough Cure will give it to them. A safe cure for children. It is "the only harmless remedy that produces immediate results." Dr. Nelson Abbott.

ADVERTISED LETTERS.

MIDDLEVILLE P. O., Sept. 5, 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 Sept. 19, 1896:

NAMES.

Mr. Joel Deunvedy Wm. Murray
Mrs. L. E. Pickwick
Please say "advertised" when asking for advertised letters.
DAVID MATTASON, Postmaster.

SENT IT TO HIS MOTHER IN GERMAN.

Mr. Jacob Esbensen, who is in the employ of the Chicago Lumber Co., at Des Moines, Iowa, says: "I have just sent some medicine back to my mother in the old country, that I know from personal use to be the best medicine in the world for rheumatism, having used it in my family for several years. It is called Chamberlain's Pain Balm. It always does the work." 50 cent bottles for sale by J. W. Armstrong, druggist. 36-4

Middleville Markets.

Wheat (white).....	50
Rye.....	22
Corn, per bu.....	20
Oats.....	12
Clover Seed.....	5 00
Timothy.....	1 75
Flour (roller).....	2 00
Bran per ton.....	8 00
Middlings.....	10 00
Butter.....	13
Eggs.....	11
Chickens (full dressed).....	7
Chickens (spring).....	8
Beef (dressed).....	4 50
Veal.....	5 50
Hogs (dressed).....	4 00
Hogs (live).....	2 75 3 00
Lard.....	6
Tallow.....	3
Hides.....	3 4
Pelts.....	15 20
Hay (timothy).....	6 00 7 00
Hay (clover).....	5 00 6 00
Wood (dry maple).....	1 50
Oil (retail).....	10 13
Gasoline.....	12
Salt.....	75
Lime per bbl.....	80
Land Plaster.....	4 50
Potatoes.....	25

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ARE YOU ? NERVOUS and despondent; weak or debilitated; tired mornings; no ambition—lifeless; memory poor; easily fatigued; excitable and irritable; eyes sunken, red and blurred; pimples on face; dreams and night losses; restlessness; haggard looking; weak back, bone pains; hair loose; sores; sore throat; varicocele; deposit in urine and drains at stool; distrustful; want of confidence; lack of energy and strength—WE CAN CURE YOU OR ASK NO PAY.

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SNATCHED FROM THE GRAVE. A Warning from the Living. "At 35 I learned a bad habit. Tried four doctors and nerve tonics by the score without benefit; emissions and drains increased. I became a nervous wreck. A friend who had been cured by Drs. Kennedy & Kergan of a similar disease, advised me to try them. I did so and in two months was positively cured. This was eight years ago. I am now married and have two healthy children."—C. W. LEWIS, Saginaw.

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