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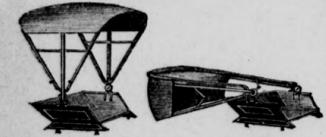
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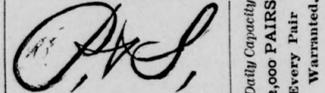
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"WE'VE GOT 'EM!"

How Big Rapids Business Men Handle
Dead-Beats.

From the Big Rapids Herald.

"How does your new organization flour-
ish?" asked the Herald man of a member
of the Merchants' Protective Association of
Big Rapids.

"First-rate," was the reply. "We've
got 'em! We've got 'em where they can't
bother us any more. If they do, it will be
our own fault."

"Got who?" was the interrogation.

"The dead-beats—the very leeches of
business houses. We have an organization
of merchants and business men, and when
we get a man on our books who proves to
be a bad egg, we pass him 'round as a dead-
beat."

"How do you run the concern to make it
successful?"

"Well, it's easily explained. In the first
place we have for our object this, 'to pro-
tect merchants and business men generally,
doing a credit business in the city of Big
Rapids and vicinity, against defaulting, ir-
responsible and delinquent debtors, and to
report to them the names of such debtors,
with their address, occupation, amount of
delinquency, etc., every member of the As-
sociation being pledged to not extend an-
other dollar of credit to one so reported.'"

"Do you live up to your pledges?"

"I should smile!" And here the counte-
nance of the business man lightened up
with an air of sweet revenge.

"How long have you been organized?"

"Oh, not very long."

"How strong is your membership?"

"Strong enough to have already made its
influence felt, and save each of us lots of
dead-beats. We have now some sixty-five
members—the cream of the retail merchants
and business men—and quite a list of new
ones to be admitted at next meeting."

"Do you admit business men from ad-
joining townships?"

"If in the county. Paris, Stanwood and
Mecosta are already represented, and others
are coming in."

"Will their admission make you strong-
er?"

"Yes, sir; there's a class of men who, af-
ter they have beat every man in the city,
will remove to the towns around, and there
beat them; also who come in from outside
and beat us. We are extending our mem-
bership outside the city, with the view to head
them off."

"How many similar Associations are
there in the State?"

"Lots of them. Don't know how many;
but they are quite plenty, and growing all
the time. Then we have reliable corres-
pondents everywhere—in all parts of the
United States and Canada. In Northern
Michigan many similar Associations have
been organized within a few weeks. We
shall soon have underway a State Associa-
tion, with proper officers."

"What are your methods? How do you
proceed?"

"It is very simple. Suppose you are a
member of the Association. We furnish
you with printed blanks. You have on
your books charges for goods against men
who will not pay. They have got into your
debts, and you see them no more as customers.
You call on them, send them dunning let-
ters, threaten them with law and justice, do
all you can to have them pay you, or settle
in some manner. But in vain. Well, you
are tired of that kind of work, and as pre-
haps the account has been standing months,
may be years, you don't care a snap whether
you offend or please them. You take one
of these blanks, which is headed by the
name of our Association, and fill it out with
the name of the debtor. It reads: 'You
will please remit to or call upon (yourself
or anyone else to whom you may have en-
trusted your accounts) and settle your bill
at once. You are hereby granted fifteen
days from the date of this notice to pay the
said account, or arrange for its payment.
If you fail to do so, you will be reported as
a delinquent, and your name published in
the Dead-Beat List of the Association. Every
member of this Association is pledged not to
extend another dollar of credit to one so
reported. For the sake of your reputa-
tion, spare us the necessity of reporting
your name, and the unenviable notoriety
that goes with it.' Then follows the amount
of your bill, and the signature of our Asso-
ciation. While you fill out the blank as a
matter of convenience to you, the demand
is practically from our Association. Do
you see?"

"Yes, Well, what follows?"

"Why, if the debtor is an honest man, he
drops in, make his statement of the delay,
and pays up, or promises to do so. You
are governed by circumstances. If you have
faith in him—and often times men are so
situated by circumstances that they cannot
pay, although anxious to do so—you make
some satisfactory arrangement with him;
perhaps take his note for 30, 60, 90 days—
six months; or he says he will bring you
some wood; any arrangement that is sat-
isfactory. It is a settlement that you are af-
ter. He may have imposed upon you delib-
erately, designedly, when he obtained the

credit, or may be unable to pay, although
willing. If he is of the dead-beat class—
got his turn served, and then tells you to
whistle—he will of course pay no attention
to the "official" dun. It has no terrors for
him. You use your own judgement. When
satisfied that your account is lost, you hand
it in to our Secretary; at a business meet-
ing, the case is talked over, and then the
name placed on the black list—the Dead-
Beat List."

"What does your Dead-Beat List consist
of? Are all served alike?"

"Our list is divided into three classes: In
the first class, we enter the names of those
who are able to pay, but are slow, careless
and indifferent, but when pressed shell out.
In the second class we enter the names of
those willing, but unable through misfor-
tune to pay. In the third class we enter
after the name dead-beat."

"Have you many names on your black
list?"

"Have we? Yes, about two hundred and
lots to follow."

"Does your plan interfere with honest
people getting credit at a store?"

"Not in the least. Just the opposite. The
list is corrected at each meeting, new names
added, and each member provided with a
copy for his own use. A man goes into
Simpson's, asks for credit, and if worthy is
given it. But if his name is among the
dead-beats, he is told point blank he cannot
be accommodated."

"What do the dead-beats think of it?"

"Don't know, nor don't care a brass far-
thing. There are a class of men, and some
of them wear good clothes, too, and hold
their heads up, who are confirmed dead-
beats. They will by hook or by crook get
into the grocer, butcher, tailor, clothier, or
anyone who will trust them, and never give
a thought about the pay. You would be
surprised if you could see their names. It
is this class who get of me all they can and
then never darken my door again. They go
over to Brown's and repeat the robbery.
From store to store they go—a little here
and a little there, and fairly live on us.
Now, each member of the Association
knows who they are, and refuses them cred-
it. Thus we learn the dishonest from the
honest man."

"Will your Association publish a list of
the more notorious dead-beats?"

"There, now you must not be too inquisi-
tive. Why are you enquiring so closely into
the affairs of the Merchant's Protective As-
sociation?"

"Oh, nothing!"

MANTON IN MOURNING.

The Dead-Beats of that Place Sad and
Dejected.

In response to an invitation from the busi-
ness men of Manton, the editor of THE
TRADESMAN betook himself to that place
last Wednesday evening for the purpose of
assisting in the formation of a business
men's association. The subject had been
thoroughly canvassed at a preliminary
meeting of the merchants of the place, so
that it required no extended argument to con-
vince those interested in the matter that or-
ganization was for the mutual advantage of
everyone engaged in trade.

The meeting was called to order by Frank
A. Jenison, who was made temporary chair-
man, and R. Fuller was asked to officiate as
secretary. After a brief explanation by Mr.
Stowe of the proper method to pursue to or-
ganize an association, R. Fuller moved that
it be the sense of the meeting that the or-
ganization be proceeded with immediately.
The motion was adopted, when another mo-
tion was made to adopt the constitution and
by-laws of the Saranac association in amend-
ed form, which was also adopted. The con-
stitution as adopted, is as follows:

CONSTITUTION.

We, the undersigned business men of
Manton and vicinity, recognizing the nec-
essity for concerted action, hereby agree
to associate ourselves together for the pur-
pose of fostering a more social feeling
among the members of the trade; keeping
a blacklist of dead beats who prey upon the
trade, and the encouragement of every un-
taking which tends to the material advanc-
ment of the trade and the community.

BY-LAWS.

ARTICLE I—NAME.

The name of this organization shall be
the Manton Business Men's Association.

ARTICLE II—MEMBERSHIP.

Any firm or individual doing a legitimate
business may become a member of this
Association by paying to the Secretary the
sum of \$1 membership fee and agreeing to
pay 25 cents quarterly dues in advance and
any assessments which may be voted by the
Association to meet expenses.

ARTICLE III—OBLIGATION.

Every person or firm becoming a member
of this Association shall be honorably bound
to conform to the rules, regulations and by-
laws.

ARTICLE IV—NON-PAYMENT OF DUES.

Any member of this Association who
shall neglect or refuse to pay his dues, or
any assessment ordered by the Association,
for three months after such sum becomes
due, shall thereby forfeit his membership.

ARTICLE V—OFFICERS.

The officers of this Association shall con-
sist of a President, Vice-President, Secre-
tary and Treasurer, an Executive Commit-
tee of five members, of which the President,
Secretary and Treasurer shall be three, and
a Business Committee of three mem-
bers. These officers shall be elected annu-
ally by ballot and shall hold office until
their successors are elected.

ARTICLE VI—DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

Section 1—The President shall preside at
all meetings, if present; in his absence the
Vice-President.

Section 2—The Secretary shall receive all
money due the Association from any source
and pay the same to the Treasurer, taking
his receipt therefor; keep a record of all
meetings; conduct all correspondence under
direction of the Executive Committee; keep
a list of all members in a book provided for
the purpose and notify all committees of
their appointment.

Section 3—The Treasurer shall receive all
monies from the Secretary, giving his re-
ceipt therefor; pay all bills when approved
by the Executive Committee and report the
condition of the treasury when required by
the Executive Committee.

Section 4—The Executive Committee shall
have charge of the delinquent lists; shall
provide rooms for the Association; audit all
bills; examine the books and accounts of the
Secretary and Treasurer and make a semi-
annual report of the financial condition of
the Association.

Section 5—It shall be the duty of the Busi-
ness Committee to look after all matters
pertaining to the growth and well-being of
Manton; to use all possible inducements to
secure the location of mills, factories and
other improvements; and to endeavor to se-
cure any needed concessions in freight, ex-
press and insurance rates.

ARTICLE VII—COMPENSATION.

No compensation for service shall be paid
any officer, except the Secretary.

ARTICLE VIII—MEETINGS.

Section 1—The annual meeting of the As-
sociation shall be held the first Wednesday
of each September.

Section 2—The regular meetings of the As-
sociation shall be held on the first Wednes-
day of each month. Special meetings shall
be called by the President on the writ-
ten request of five members. Five members
shall constitute a quorum for the transac-
tion of business.

ARTICLE IX—ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Reading minutes of the last meeting.
2. Admission of members.
3. Reports of committees.
4. Reading of correspondence.
5. Unfinished business.
6. New business.
7. Election of officers and appointment
of committees.
8. Report of Treasurer.
9. Adjournment.

ARTICLE X—AMENDMENTS.

This Constitution and By-laws may be al-
tered or amended by a two-thirds vote of
those present at any regular meeting, pro-
vided a written notice of such alteration or
amendment has been presented at the pre-
ceding regular meeting.

ARTICLE XI—REGULATIONS.

Rule 1. The special aim of this Associa-
tion is to facilitate the collection of doubt-
ful accounts and other debts by fair and
honorable methods, and to guard against
the extending of credit to debtors found on
investigation to be unworthy of it.

Rule 2. The Association emphatically
asserts that it hopes to collect all debts due
the members; without publicity; and that it
neither desires nor intends, in any instance,
to permit its members to intentionally an-
noy or to persecute any person indebted to
members of the Association.

Rule 3. That no injustice may be done
to, or advantage taken of, any debtor, by
any individual member of the Association,
it shall be the duty of every member to send
by mail a sealed circular letter, issued by
the Association, to the debtor, setting forth
these facts, to-wit: That the person named
in said letter is indebted to the member or
the firm therein named in the sum of \$—,
that the debtor is granted twenty days from
date entered on said letter in which to pay
the debt, or to satisfactorily arrange for its
payment; that, if after the expiration of the
twenty days thus granted, the debtor shall
have failed to pay or failed to have arranged
for payment the member shall report him to
the executive committee, which committee
shall thereupon place his name on the delin-
quent list; except disputed accounts which
shall be referred to the Executive Commit-
tee for investigation and report, which re-
port shall be acted upon by the Associa-
tion.

Rule 4. The circular letter sent to the
debtor shall be enclosed in the authorized
envelope of the Association, on which shall
be printed, "If not called for in ten
days return to Secretary Manton Business
Men's Association," and the non-return of
any circular letter thus mailed, shall be
deemed sufficient evidence that the said let-
ter was received by the debtor addressed.

Rule 5. Any member trusting a man
whose name appears on delinquent list
shall be fined \$10.

An opportunity was then given those pre-
sent to join the Association, when the fol-
lowing names were handed in: Frank
Weaver, Frank A. Jenison, R. Fuller, Jas.<

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WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 1886.

First Meeting of Michigan Associations of Michigan.
First Meeting, at Grand Rapids, Tuesday, September 21.
Those intending to be present should notify THE MICHIGAN TRADESMAN as soon as possible.

Mercantile Protective Ass'n of Big Rapids.
President, N. H. Beebe; First Vice-President, W. E. Overton; Second Vice-President, C. B. Lovojoy; Secretary, A. S. Hobart; Treasurer, J. F. Clark.

Business Men's Protective Union of Cheboygan.
President, A. W. Westgate; Vice-President, H. Chambers; Secretary, A. J. Paddock.

South Arm and East Jordan Business Men's Association.
President, A. E. Pickard; Secretary, John Leng; Treasurer, John Chamberlain.

Merchant's Union of Nashville.
President, Herbert M. Lee; Vice-President, C. E. Goodwin; Treasurer, G. A. Truman; Secretary and Attorney, Walter Webster.

White Lake Business Men's Association.
President, A. T. Linderman; Whitehall; Secretary, W. B. Nicholson; Treasurer, C. L. Strong; Montague.

Business Men's Protective Ass'n of Kingsley.
President, Jas. Broderick; Vice-President, A. G. Edwards; Secretary, Geo. W. Chanffy; Treasurer, H. P. Whipple.

Luther Protective Association.
President, W. B. Paul; Vice-President, R. M. Smith; Secretary, Jas. M. Verity; Treasurer, Geo. Osborne.

Lowell Business Men's Protective Ass'n.
President, N. B. Blain; Vice-President, John Giles; Secretary, Frank T. King; Treasurer, Chas. B. Frase.

Sturgis Business Men's Association.
President, Henry S. Church; Vice-President, H. L. Anthony; Secretary and Treasurer, Wm. Jern.

Traverse City Business Men's Association.
President, Frank Hamilton; Secretary, C. T. Lockwood; Treasurer, J. T. Beadle.

Ionia Business Men's Protective Ass'n.
President, Wm. E. Kelsey; Vice-President, H. M. Lewis; Secretary, Fred. Cutler, Jr.

Business Men's Protective Ass'n of Saranac.
President, Geo. A. Potts; Secretary, P. T. Williams; Treasurer, S. M. Crawford.

Elk Rapids Business Men's Protective Ass'n.
President, J. J. McLaughlin; Secretary, C. L. Martin; Treasurer, A. B. Conklin.

Manton's Business Men's Association.
President, F. A. Jenison; Secretary, R. Fuller; Treasurer, J. C. Bostick.

Ovid Business Men's Association.
President, C. H. Hunter; Secretary, Lester Cooley.

Grand Rapids Traveling Men's Association.
President, L. M. Mills; Vice-President, S. A. Sears; Secretary and Treasurer, Geo. H. Seymour; Board of Directors, H. S. Robertson, Geo. F. Owen, J. N. Bradford, A. B. Cole and Wm. Logie.

Grand Rapids Dairy Board of Trade.
President, Aaron Clark; Vice-President, F. E. Pickett; Secretary and Treasurer, E. A. Stowe. Market days, every Monday afternoon at 1 p. m.

Grand Rapids Butchers' Union.
President, John Katz; Secretary, Chas. Veltie; Treasurer, Joseph Schlaus.

Subscribers and others, when writing to advertisers, will confer a favor on the publisher by mentioning that they saw the advertisement in the columns of this paper.

A FOURTH YEAR.

With this issue, THE TRADESMAN completes its third year of publication and enters upon a fourth year under most favorable auspices. Although the recipient of an exceptional subscription patronage a year ago, it has made marked advance in that direction during the past twelve-month, and it is the ardent hope of the publishers that THE TRADESMAN may continue to grow in the good graces of the retail trade of Michigan.

The coming year promises to be unusually eventful to the trade of this State. The organization of local associations is destined to work more or less improvement in the present methods of merchandizing, in which work the State organization is likely to play no unimportant part. Conscious that a higher degree of business integrity and a reformation of trade abuses could only be brought about through concerted action, THE TRADESMAN was the first trade journal in the West to espouse the cause of organization, and the result of its work in this direction is manifested in the forty associations now existing in this State, and the prospective formation of the first State organization yet established in this country. With such a record to which to refer, and with a realizing sense that its weekly visits are cordially welcomed in every city, town and hamlet in the State, THE TRADESMAN has good ground for the belief that the future is pregnant with even greater results than the past, and that the time is not far distant when it can extend its following to localities in which it is now comparatively unknown.

OUTLINING A PROGRAMME.

As chairman of the Committee on Programme for the coming State convention, the editor of THE TRADESMAN wrote Frank Hamilton, of Traverse City, asking him to preside at the opening session of the meeting. Mr. Hamilton was selected for the position for the reason that he was the first president of the first business men's association organized in Michigan and was also the first to suggest a State organization, which suggestion was made through the columns of this paper. In response to the invitation above referred to, Mr. Hamilton replied as follows, under date of September 11:

DEAR SIR—Yours of the 9th at hand. I will act as chairman for the session named. I hope to see the organization placed upon a good basis—a broad platform—with suf-

ficient merit to commend itself to the business men of the State. This will not be done if the distinctive feature is to extinguish the so-called dead-beat. I want to see the abuse of the credit system extinguished along with him. I do not want this convention to be a grocers' association, a druggists' association or a protective association, but a business men's association, which will include all local organizations of dry goods, grocery, boot and shoe, druggists, merchants' union and protective associations. I am in no way in sympathy with the element which preys upon every merchant and will unite in any good plan to diminish their number; but the mercantile profession will never be exalted by preying upon the dead-beat.

To me it seems that the following features ought to be made the most of:

1. As a social feature, our business men ought to come together once a year.
2. As an educational feature, questions concerning trade should be discussed annually.
3. As a reform feature, the abuses of the trade should receive deserved attention, especially long hours in stores (and here let me say that in some localities this is an abuse upon both employers and salesmen) and this convention ought to stamp its condemnation upon the method of "keeping open" fourteen hours each week day, when in ten hours the same could be accomplished; non-observance of national holidays, etc.

4. As a public improvement feature, when the combined effort of the business men could inaugurate and advance enterprises for the public good.

5. As a financial feature, the establishment of a collection department for the reviewing of old accounts and the listing of delinquents as they move from one locality to another.

Finally, let us have a Michigan Business Men's Association and open the doors wide enough to admit any reputable business man.

Mr. Hamilton's views as above outlined are worthy the careful consideration of every person interested in the subject of State organization, as he has given the question continuous and conscientious study for months.

AFTER THE EARTHQUAKE.

The earthquake continues to be the topic of general interest. Charleston is now ascertained to have been the only center of population at which great injury to life, person and property was sustained. But in this city of 50,000 people, some 5,000 are altogether homeless, while many others have only homes they fear to enter, as the injuries they have sustained make them unsafe. As we frequently have argued, there should have been funds at the disposal of the national executive to relieve such a necessity as this. But Congress will not vote money for such a purpose, unless it occurs while it is in session; and the authorities can do nothing but send a very inadequate supply of tents. It is said that this is no time for the President and his Cabinet to be away from the seat of government; but what could they do if they were there? Their hands are tied by the refusal to invest them with any discretion for the aid of such sufferings as this; and it would be of no use to send messages of condolence. So the burden of relieving this and similar distresses is thrown upon private benevolence, and it comes just at a time when the people most likely to give are the least accessible. But those who are on hand have shown their willingness to do what they can.

The scientific people are busying themselves about the matter by vamping up old theories about the cause of earthquakes, and by asking very urgently for exact data as to the time and direction of the shock. The former are threshed straw to all who have paid any attention to the matter; of what use the latter will be, except as the material for a sort of scientific coroner's inquest, we do not know. The most significant fact elicited thus far is that some time after the shocks there was a shower of pebbles within the limits of Charleston. Does this mean that somewhere in that neighborhood there was a violent ejection of such pebbles from a fissure made by the earthquake? It also was observed in this case, as in the much more stupendous earthquake in New Zealand a few weeks previously, that atmospheric disturbance preceded the shocks. In New Zealand they were accompanied by the most violent of thunder storms.

THE COMING CONVENTION.

The first convention of Michigan business men, which assembles in this city next Tuesday, promises to be the most notable gathering of the kind ever seen in this State. Composed in great part of retail merchants, and wholly of reputable business men, the convention owes it to itself and the important branches of trade it represents to weigh every measure brought before it with candor and discretion and give its sanction to such methods only as will tend to the advancement of the interests of the trade as a whole. In a body make up so miscellaneous there will necessarily be conflicting opinions, and not a few will come to ride their hobbies, but the good sense of the convention will undoubtedly be exercised in such a way as to avoid antagonisms and unite upon a plan of action which cannot fail to exert a beneficial influence over the trade and all who come in contact with the trade.

A large body of Roman Catholics in Cincinnati is agitated over the question whether they are ever to be repaid any of the moneys loaned the late Archbishop Purcell, of Cincinnati, and employed by him in the erection of schools, churches and monasteries in that diocese. The Archbishop and his brother, who managed the business, do not seem to have had even an elementary idea of the nature of such transactions. Nothing in recent finance except the firm of Grant &

Ward could equal the confusion and recklessness with which the finances of the diocese were administered. It broke the hearts of both the well-meaning but incompetent priests when the results of their financing were brought home to them, and the Archbishop resigned his diocese. The lenders, of course, were all Catholics who seemed to have thought the Purcells could coin money to meet their obligations as some wise New Yorkers must have thought of Ferd. Ward; and their losses by the collapse of the operations, have soured them against the church itself. At a recent meeting they called upon the assignees of the Purcell estate to collect from the new Archbishop rents for the use of the cathedral and other churches built with their money; and they also demanded the entire exclusion of bishops and priests from the management of secular concerns of any kind. In view of this case and that of the Augustine Fathers, at Lawrence, Mass., it certainly would be better for the Roman Catholic Church to forbid its priesthood to use their great influence with the laity for the promotion of any financial enterprise.

Butter Inspector Howe, of Chicago, claims that he has at last discovered a process by which genuine butter can be distinguished from the spurious article. The material to be experimented upon is placed in a glass tube and submerged in water, which is then slowly heated to a temperature of 105 degrees Fahrenheit. This causes a separation, the heavier parts sinking to the bottom. In genuine butter the sediment is white, consisting of salt, casein and natural constituents, while the oil on top is perfectly clear and transparent. In the artificial, the oily substance is dense and opaque.

THE TRADESMAN and the Denver Retail Grocer are the only trade journals in the West pertaining to the grocery business which are not "house organs"—that is, publications bound hand and foot to some jobbing house, which dictates their opinions, revises their quotations and interprets the state of the market in accordance with the requirements of its stock. The East has several notable exceptions to this rule, but the two journals above named are the only exponents of independence west of the Ohio river.

Cole & Chapel, the Ada general dealers, write THE TRADESMAN that the merchants of that place contemplate the organization of an association. It is to be hoped that they will put the organization into operation before the State convention.

AMONG THE TRADE.

GRAND RAPIDS GOSSIP.

Hobart Brink succeeds Chas. F. Heinzmann in the manufacture of wagons.

John P. Osting has sold his grocery business at 451 Jefferson avenue to Fred. Leavenworth.

C. I. Clapp has engaged in the grocery business at Otsego. Cody, Ball & Co. furnished the stock.

Peter S. Haney & Co. have engaged in the grocery business at Hastings. Hawkins & Perry furnished the stock.

C. W. Caskey has engaged in the grocery business at Harbor Springs. Bulkley, Lemon & Hoops furnished the stock.

John J. Sours, book-keeper for Cody, Ball & Co., and Ed. Winchester, for several years with C. C. Comstock, have formed a copartnership under the firm name of Winchester & Sours and purchased the grocery stock of Wagner & Clark, corner East Bridge and Lafayette streets.

D. P. Clay has sold his handsome residence on the corner of Jefferson avenue and Washington street to the Fourth National bank, the consideration being \$62,000. The bank has turned the property over to D. A. Blodgett for \$60,000, who will take possession as soon as Mr. Clay vacates. This sale, coupled with the disposal of his block for \$40,000, enables him to extinguish \$102,000 worth of his indebtedness, which fact will be hailed with pleasure among business men everywhere. Mr. Clay's next move will probably be to effect a sale of some fifty million feet of standing pine, which is estimated to be worth four dollars a thousand, and which, in the event of a sale, will further reduce his liabilities to the extent of \$200,000. Opinions as to whether he will be able to pull through his present difficulties differ, but all agree that if he can dispose of his property without sacrifice, he will be able to pay every creditor in full and still have a handsome fortune left.

AROUND THE STATE.

Edward Carter, grocer at Whitewood, is dead.

G. W. Hatch, general dealer at Morley, is closing out.

Miss Emma Rood, grocer and milliner at Oakley, has sold out.

Dennis Lafergy, general dealer at New Haven, has sold out.

Mrs. D. H. Francis, dry goods dealer at Kalamazoo, has sold out.

A. Hotchkiss & Co., crockery dealers at Kalamazoo, have sold out.

Chas. W. Reed succeeds A. Reed in the grocery business at Owosso.

R. G. Bruce, general dealer at Bellaire, has removed to East Jordan.

Eaton Bros. succeed J. W. Clark in the dry goods business at Detroit.

Abram Mapes succeeds F. S. Webber in the grocery business at Mendon.

F. H. Mott succeeds Mott & Fenn in the grocery business at Battle Creek.

B. O'Rork, grocer at Battle Creek, has been closed on chattel mortgage.

Shotwell Bros. succeed E. A. Young in the drug business at Mt. Clemens.

McLean & Long succeed A. B. Clough in the grocery business at Chesaning.

H. W. Holcomb succeeds Orrin Wardell in the grocery business at Detroit.

W. E. West succeeds West & West in the grocery business at Grand Ledge.

D. Stern & Co. succeed J. B. Lehman in the boot and shoe business at Allegan.

L. B. Roberts succeeds Roberts & Stewart in the grocery business at Decatur.

J. C. Bradley succeeds Myers & Co. in the drug and grocery business at Camden.

F. A. Smiley, hardware dealer at Addison, has been closed on chattel mortgage.

J. E. Bergeron, general dealer at Norway, has removed his stock to Iron Mountain.

A. S. Frye is the name of the party who has purchased the Chris Pfeife general stock at Lake.

R. B. Jennings has sold his general stock at New Troy and removed to Ashville, N. C., where he is chiefly employed in recruiting his health.

D. C. Higley, the Kalamazoo general dealer, has purchased the general stock of Clement & Palmer, at Gobleville, and will continue the business.

Elliott McMichael has retired from the firm of McMichael Bros., dealers in groceries and sawlogs at Manton. The business will be continued by Jas. McMichael.

F. L. Anderson, the Saranac boot and shoe dealer, writes THE TRADESMAN that the report that he proposes retiring from business to accept a position on the road is without foundation.

L. M. Hanly, whose drug stock at Mancelona was partially burned during the recent conflagration at that place, has commissioned the Hazeltine & Perkins Drug Co. to render the stock complete.

Wm. Harris has sold his store building and residence at Chase to Maddon G. Smith, of Flint, to give possession January 1, 1887, and he is closing out his entire stock at cost, when he expects to remove from Chase.

Chas. Stroebe, the Ferrysburg general dealer, who has served Uncle Sam as postmaster since 1868, will shortly turn the office over to other hands. This will enable him to give more attention to his patent fire escape.

THE TRADESMAN is authorized to state that the report recently circulated to the effect that "C. E. Monroe succeeds Monroe & Ricketson in general trade at Bonanza" is without foundation. The firm has not dissolved and does not contemplate such action.

MANUFACTURING MATTERS.

Jos. A. Grieshaber succeeds B. Grieshaber in the manufacture of gold pens at Detroit.

John Major succeeds Major & Baxter in the ownership of the Star Brass Works at Detroit.

Mancelona Herald: Mancelona holds out great inducements to any man or company who will establish manufacturing facilities to work up the vast tracts of hardwood in its vicinity. Grounds will be donated and all possible assistance rendered.

STRAY FACTS.

F. H. Calcott & Co., tailors at Marshall, have sold out.

Mary J. Porter succeeds S. Landon in the hotel business at Edmore.

A. L. Hoyt, Agt., furniture dealer at Port Huron, is about selling out.

N. Slaght succeeds N. Slaght & Co. in the lumber business at Hobart.

Henry Clever succeeds W. H. Tomlinson in the bakery business at Nashville.

W. E. Godfrey succeeds Geo. F. Rogers in the restaurant business at Jackson.

Robt. J. Marsh succeeds Marsh & Riopelle in the bottling business at Detroit.

Chas. E. Bell succeeds Bell & Blohm in the tobacco and cigar business at Ewart.

Frank Landes succeeds F. A. Griswold in the furniture business at Brockway Center.

The Porter Cole Co., at Jackson, has failed. The corporation had a paid-in capital of \$25,000.

Cram & Whitford, sawmill operators at Undine, recently suffered partial loss, but were fully insured.

Fred. Brandstedt has sold the Chicago Bakery, at Muskegon, to Geo. Hirschman and Herman Stumff.

A. D. Paige, proprietor of the Acme Bottling Works, at Battle Creek, has been closed on chattel mortgage.

A. L. Stebbins has been appointed receiver in the matter of the Seranton & Watson Lumber Co., at Detroit.

H. L. Chapman, of Marcellus, will commence work on a foundry and machine shop at White Pigeon this week.

The Louis Reed Co., at Detroit, has filed amended articles, changing its name to the Detroit Co. Co.

W. N. Camp has sold his creamery at Ionia to F. Cutler & Son, who took possession September 1. The price paid was \$7,000.

Allegan Gazette: The millinery firm of Church & Parsons is dissolved and is succeeded by Parsons & Heffron, who will add dressmaking to the former business.

H. J. Marsh, postmaster at Marshville, has been robbed a second time in six months, and some people are so uncharitable as to think that Mr. Marsh knows more than he ought to about both robberies.

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Drugs & Medicines

State Board of Pharmacy.
 One Year—F. H. J. VanEmster, Bay City.
 Two Years—Jacob Jenson, Muskegon.
 Three Years—James Verior, Detroit.
 Four Years—Ottmar Eberbach, Ann Arbor.
 Five Years—John McQuinn, Kalamazoo.
 President—Ottmar Eberbach.
 Secretary—Jacob Jenson.
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 Next Meeting—At Lansing, November 2.

Michigan State Pharmaceutical Ass'n.
 President—H. J. Brown, Ann Arbor.
 First Vice-President—Frank J. Wurzburg, G'd Rapids.
 Second Vice-President—A. R. Stevens, Detroit.
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 Secretary—S. E. Parkell, Owosso.
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 Executive Committee—Jacob Jenson, Geo. Gundrum, Frank Wells, F. W. H. Perry and John E. Peck.
 Local Secretary—Will L. White, Grand Rapids.
 Next Place of Meeting—At Grand Rapids, Tuesday, October 12, 1886.

Grand Rapids Pharmaceutical Society.
 ORGANIZED OCTOBER 9, 1884.
 President—Frank J. Wurzburg.
 Vice-President—Wm. L. White.
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 Committee on Trade Matters—John E. Peck, H. B. Fairchild and Wm. H. Van Leuven.
 Committee on Legislation—Jas. D. Lacey, Isaac Watts and A. C. Bauer.
 Regular Meetings—First Thursday evening in each month.
 Annual Meeting—First Thursday evening in November.
 Next Meeting—Thursday evening, Oct. 7, at THE TRADES Hall office.

Detroit Pharmaceutical Society.
 ORGANIZED OCTOBER, 1885.
 President—A. F. Parker.
 First Vice-President—Frank Inglis.
 Second Vice-President—C. M. Mueller.
 Secretary and Treasurer—A. W. Allen.
 Board of Censors and Trustees—H. McRae.
 Annual Meeting—First Wednesday in June.
 Regular Meetings—First Wednesday in each month.

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 Secretary—F. A. King.
 Treasurer—Chas. E. Humphrey.
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 Annual Meeting—First Thursday in November.
 Regular Meetings—First Thursday in each month.

Saginaw County Pharmaceutical Society.
 President—Jay Smith.
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 Second Vice-President—R. E. Brunske.
 Secretary—J. E. Prall.
 Treasurer—H. Melchers.
 Committee on Trade Matters—W. B. Moore, H. G. Hamilton, H. Melchers, W. H. Keeler and R. J. Birney.
 Regular Meetings—Second Wednesday afternoon in each month.

Muskegon Drug Clerks' Association.
 President—L. C. Terry.
 Vice-President—D. A. Schumacher.
 Secretary and Treasurer—L. B. Glover.
 Regular Meetings—Second and fourth Wednesday of each month.
 Next Meeting—Wednesday evening, Sept. 22.

Oceana County Pharmaceutical Society.
 President—F. W. Fincher.
 Vice-President—F. W. VanWinkle.
 Secretary—Frank Cadv.
 Treasurer—E. A. Wright.

A Self Measuring Bottle for Counting Drops.

All those who have had to make chemical analyses or prepare pharmaceutical products will know how difficult it is to accurately measure the number of drops of a liquid that it is desired to add to another one, in small quantity, in a precise and definite proportion. A pharmacist of Chalons-sur-Saone, has devised a very practical drop-counting bottle, says *La Nature*.

The stopper has in its lower part two opposite grooves, which are of equal dimensions, and which wind slightly from top to bottom. One of these communicates with an aperture, in the neck of the bottle, that is provided with a metallic nozzle, and the other with an aperture in the neck, that should be at least 4 mm. in diameter, in order to make the operation of the apparatus regular.

In order to use the bottle, the grooves in the stopper must be brought opposite the apertures in the neck; the bottle must be inverted in order to expel such air bubbles as may remain enclosed in the groove, and must then be held in a slanting position and so that the nozzle shall be beneath and its extremity be horizontal. If the drop does not make its appearance at once the bottle must be gently shaken.

The liquid, finding an exit through the aperture in the nozzle, falls drop by drop by virtue of its own weight, and air enters the bottle through the aperture, in measure as the dropping proceeds.

If we turn the stopper (which may be compared to a quarter-circle cock-plug), the grooves no longer being in communication with the apertures, the bottle will be hermetically closed. Attention is called to the form of the nozzle, which contains an aperture 6 mm. in length, that communicates with a very divergent cone. It is this latter that constitutes the principal part of the instrument since it has a great influence upon the regularity with which the liquid flows.

As the entire conical surface is immediately wet, every drop has the same weight as the first, and the drops detach themselves better, and never run over the external edges, as they do in most of the drop-counters that have hitherto been constructed.

The nozzle may be changed, as there are four different models of it that answer to the various requirements of therapeutical preparations. There is one for distilled water and aqueous solutions, one for laudanum, and one for tinctures or alcoholic preparations.

Testing American and Canadian Oils.

From the Bradford Era.
 Four lamps and one candle, all lighted, stood in a row, last evening, on a mantel piece in the Oil Exchange. Each lamp was said to contain a different sample of refined oil. American 110 deg., ditto headlight, Lima and Canadian being the brands represented. Each inquirer was requested to point out the lamp in which Lima oil was burning, and most of them failed, or hit upon it by accident. The color of the oils varied from water-white to deep amber, but to the casual observer there was no apparent degrees in the brightness of the respective flames. It was an interesting but hardly an exhaustive test.

Ginger beer, in some of the stages of fermentation, is said to be very unwholesome.

Official Programme of the Coming Pharmaceutical Convention.

FIRST DAY—FIRST SESSION, 2 P. M.
 1. Meeting called to order by President.
 2. Prayer by Rev. Chas. Fluhrer.
 3. Roll call.
 4. Address of welcome by Hon. E. B. Dikeman.
 5. Response.
 6. Reading of minutes of last meeting.
 7. President's address.
 8. Presentation of names for membership.
 9. Report of Secretary State Board of Pharmacy.

SECOND SESSION, 7 P. M.
 1. Report on applications for membership.
 2. Opening of question box.
 3. Reading and discussion of papers.
 4. Reception at Peninsula Club, tendered by the Hazeltine & Perkins Drug Co., at 8:30 p. m.

SECOND DAY—FIRST SESSION, 9 A. M.
 1. Unfinished business.
 2. Reports of Committees on Legislation, Liquor License, Formulary, and School of Pharmacy.
 3. Reading of papers.

SECOND SESSION, 2 P. M.
 1. Opening of question box.
 2. Report of Committee on Trade Interests and discussion on same.
 3. Reading of papers.
 4. Adjournment at 4 p. m. to exhibit hall.

THIRD DAY—FINAL SESSION, 9 A. M.
 1. Opening of question box.
 2. Unfinished business.
 3. Election of officers.
 4. Appointment of committees.
 5. Election of delegates.
 6. Adjournment.

The Michigan Peppermint Crop.

Albert M. Todd in Drug Reporter.
 As great interest is attached at present to the outlook for peppermint production, I would say that the distillation of the new crop of peppermint is delayed by rains. The old crop has been distilled, having been the poorest crop on record. We have had a number of rains during the past two weeks, which will improve the new crop from the critical position in which the drought has placed it. On account of these rains the distillation of the new crop will be delayed, in hopes of an improvement in its growth.

I enclose extracts from letters from two well-known farmers of Wayne county, N. Y., just received.

Under date of August 24, Mr. Henry Jennings writes: Reports from the north part of the county are that mint is running poor, one twelve acre piece yielding but three pounds to the acre, and it seems to be talked around that mint hasn't oiled as well as usual. What I have run (south of Lyons) however, has done as well as last year."

Under date of August 26, Mr. Chas. E. Fellows writes: "The territory of mint planted in our immediate vicinity, I should say is 25 per cent. greater than last year. The yield south of Lyons is passably fair, north of Lyons very poor, growing poorer going toward the lake. New mint light on the ground; that planted very early, good; that planted late, very poor; will average light per acre, although running fair from tubs."

Owing to the recent change in the weather, distillation can hardly be completed until October, although it may mostly be accomplished by the last of September.

Muskegon Drug Clerks' Association.

MUSKEGON, Sept. 12, 1886.
 Editor MICHIGAN TRADESMAN:
 DEAR SIR—The regular semi-monthly meeting of the M. D. C. A. was held on the 8th inst., all the members being present excepting two. Owing to the absence of the President, Vice-President Schumacher officiated and called the meeting to order. Mr. P. VanDiense was appointed critic. The minutes of the preceding meeting and a few communications were read. There being no papers, the balance of the evening was passed in social conversation, and discussions on various drugs and chemicals. A. E. Gebhard, a former drug clerk of this city, and late of Salt Lake City, was present and took a lively interest in the proceedings. After the critic's report was heard, the meeting adjourned until the 22d.
 L. B. GLOVER, Secy.

Adulterated Powdered Ginger.

A correspondent writes the *Bottler's Gazette* to ascertain where pure powdered ginger can be obtained. He has found all his purchases to be very weak and is curious to know the cause. The *Gazette* replies as follows:
 There is quite a demand for the exhausted ginger as it comes from the hands of extract manufacturers. A leading bottlers' extract maker recently informed us that he disposed of all his refuse ginger to spice mills, who use it to adulterate their goods. This may account for our friend's "weak ginger." A first-class drug miller, who has positive instructions to furnish a pure article, will do so. The demand for adulterated goods is so general that it has almost displaced the prime and unsophisticated article; hence the similarity of the grade of the purchases.

Obeying Instructions.

Doctor—Ah! looking badly yet I see. You have evidently not been following my instructions about taking exercise.

Patrick—Yes; I walked half a mile yesterday.

"Good. You remember I told you that you must always have some object in view when you walk so as to get your mind off your troubles. I hope you made yesterday's outing a matter of business of some kind."

"Yes; I went and bought a cemetery lot."

The Drug Market.

Opium is a little firmer abroad and is likely to advance in this country. Other staples are steady. Business and collections are both fairly good.

Miscellaneous Drug Notes.

In Baltimore the drug stores are closed on Sundays.

An English exchange states that white shellac is best preserved in water.

A plea is being made for an international homeopathic pharmacopoeia.

English pharmacists are discussing the propriety of giving customers copies of prescriptions.

Men sleeping in barns where hyoscyamus is mixed with the hay, awake usually with violent headache.

Red ants will never be found in closets or drawers if a small bag of sulphur be kept in these places.

Those who collect white hellebore are sometimes caused to vomit violently from the emanations of the drug.

Rape oil does not effect brass; seal oil has the least and olive oil the most effect on it when used as lubricants.

All animal and vegetable oils contain acid in a greater or less degree. Sometimes the acidity is derived from the materials from which the oil is extracted.

The *American Pharmacist* says that a cheap and effective disinfectant can be made by dissolving a bushel of salt in a barrel of water, and with this water slack a barrel of lime. This forms a mixture of chlorides of lime, which may be used freely in cellars, outhouses, etc.

A writer in an exchange states that certain odors have the property of making caged birds sing, although these pets may have obstinately refused to previously modulate a note. It is to be regretted that these wonderful perfumes were not named for the benefit of its readers.

A New Discovery in Making Alcohol.

A correspondent of the *Baltimore Manufacturers' Record* writes as follows from Nashville, Tenn.:
 I wish to call your attention to a remarkable discovery I have made in my laboratory. I have succeeded in making grain alcohol out of the volatile hydrocarbon gases given off from coke ovens, natural gas wells, non-condensable gases from charcoal ovens, etc., as well as out of liquid hydrocarbons, such as turpentine, etc. This is all done without waste of chemicals—capable of operation in a commercial way. Its effect on the alcohol industry will be incalculable.

Michigan Drug Exchange.

Mills & Goodman, Props.

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WANTED—Partner with from \$1,000 to \$3,000 to take part interest in fine stock in growing town of about 1,800 inhabitants. Must be live business man and capable of taking entire charge of store.

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ACIDS.	
Acetic, No. 8.	9 @ 10
Acetic, C. P. (Sp. grav. 1.040).	30 @ 35
Carbolic.	70 @ 75
Citric.	70 @ 75
Muriatic 15 deg.	3 @ 5
Nitric 36 deg.	10 @ 12
Oxalic.	3 @ 4
Sulphuric 66 deg.	50 @ 53
Tartaric powdered.	12 @ 15
Benzoic, English.	12 @ 15
Benzoic, German.	12 @ 15
Tannic.	12 @ 15
AMMONIA.	
Carbonate.	12 @ 14
Muriate (Powd. 23c).	3 @ 5
Aqua 16 deg or 3f.	4 @ 6
Aqua 18 deg or 4f.	4 @ 6
BALSAMS.	
Copaiba.	40 @ 45
FR.	40 @ 45
Peru.	1 @ 10
Tolu.	45
BARKS.	
Cassia, in mats (Powd 20c).	11
Cinchona, yellow.	13
Elm, select.	13
Elm, round, pure.	14
Elm, powdered, pure.	15
Sassafras, of root.	12
Wild cherry, select.	20
Bayberry, powdered.	18
Hemlock powdered.	30
Wahoo.	12
Soap ground.	12
BERRIES.	
Cubeb prime (Powd 1 1/2c).	10 @ 11
Juniper.	6 @ 7
Prickly Ash.	50 @ 60
EXTRACTS.	
Licorice (10 and 25 lb boxes, 25c).	27
Licorice, powdered, pure.	37 1/2
Logwood, bulk (12 and 25 lb boxes).	9
Logwood, 1s (25 lb boxes).	13
Logwood, 1/2s do.	11
Logwood, 3/4s do.	14
Logwood, ass'd do.	15
Fluid Extracts—25¢ cent. off list.	
FLOWERS.	
Arnica.	12 @ 15
Chamomile, Roman.	20
Chamomile, German.	30
GUMS.	
Aloes, Barbadoes.	60 @ 75
Aloes, Cape (Powd 20c).	12
Aloes, Socotrine (Powd 60c).	50
Ammoniac.	28 @ 30
Arabic, powdered select.	90
Arabic, 1st picked.	90
Arabic, 2d picked.	85
Arabic, 3d picked.	70
Arabic, sifted sorts.	55
Assentinia, prime.	50 @ 55
Benzoin.	50 @ 55
Camphor.	25 @ 27
Catechu, 1s (1/2 lb, 1/4 16c).	17
Euphorbium powdered.	35 @ 40
Gamboge.	80 @ 90
Guaiaic, prime (Powd 45c).	35
Kino (Powdered, 30c).	20
Myrrh, Turkestan (Powdered 47c).	40
Opium, pure (Powd \$4 40).	1
Shellac, Campbell's.	25
Shellac, English.	20
Shellac, French.	30
Shellac bleached.	30
Traucanth.	30 @ 31
HERBS—IN OUNCE PACKAGES.	
Hoarhound.	25
Lobelia.	25
Peppermint.	25
Sage.	25
Sweet Majoram.	24
Tanzy.	25
Thyme.	30
Wormwood.	25
IRON.	
Citrate and Quinine.	4 00
Solution mur., for tinctures.	7
Sulphate, pure crystal.	7
Citrate.	65
LEAVES.	
Buchu, short (Powd 25c).	13 @ 14
Sage, Italian, bulk (1/2 & 3/4 lb 12c).	6
Senna, Alex, natural.	33 @ 35
Senna, Alex, sifted and garbled.	50
Senna, powdered.	25
Uva Ursi.	30
Belledonna.	35
Foxglove.	30
Hembae, strained.	35
Rose, red.	2 35
LIQUORS.	
W. D. & Co.'s Sour Mash Whisky.	2 00 @ 2 50
Druggists' Favorite Rye.	1 75 @ 2 00
Whisky, other brands.	1 35 @ 1 50
Nuttall's.	35 @ 40
Gin, Old Tom.	35 @ 40
Gin, Holland.	2 00 @ 2 50
Brandy.	1 75 @ 2 00
Catawba Wines.	1 25 @ 1 50
Port Wines.	1 35 @ 1 50
MAGNESIA.	
Carbonate, Pattison's, 2 oz.	22
Carbonate, Jennings's, 2 oz.	25
Sulphate, P. & W. solution.	2 35
Calced.	65
OILS.	
Almond, sweet.	45 @ 50
Almond, rectified.	45
Anise.	1 50
Bay 7/8 oz.	50
Bergamot.	3 00
Castor.	1 42 @ 1 60
Croton.	1 75
Cajeput.	75
Cassia.	85
Cedar, commercial (Pure 75c).	35
Citronella.	1 00
Cloves.	1 75
Cod Liver, N. F.	1 20
Cod Liver, best.	1 50
Cod Liver, H. P. & Co.'s, 1 lb.	1 50
Cubeb, P. & W.	1 20
Erigeron.	1 60
Fireweed.	2 00
Geranium 7/8 oz.	75
Hemlock, commercial (Pure 75c).	35
Juniper wood.	1 30
Juniper berries.	2 00
Lavender flowers, French.	2 01
Lavender garden.	1 00
Lavender spike do.	1 00
Lemon, new crop.	2 25
Lemon, Sanderson's.	2 75
Lemongrass.	80
Olive, Malaga.	90 @ 1 00
Olive, "Sublime Italian."	2 75
Origanum, red flowers, French.	1 25
Origanum, No. 1.	50
Pennyroyal.	1 00
Peppermint, white (Pure 75c).	3 40 @ 3 50
Rose 7/8 oz.	8 00
Rosemary, French (Flowers \$1 50).	65
Saïad, 7/8 gal.	2 75
Saïad, 1/2 gal.	1 00
Sandal Wood, German.	4 50
Sandal Wood, W. I.	7 00
Sassafras.	45
Sassafras, 1 lb.	40
Tansy.	4 00 @ 4 25
Tar (by gal 50c).	10 @ 12
Wintergreen.	2 30
Wormwood, No. 1 (Pure \$4 00).	1 50
Wormseed.	2 00
POTASSIUM.	
Bromide, cryst. and gran. bulk.	12 @ 14
Chlorate, cryst (Powd 23c).	22
Iodide, cryst. and gran. bulk.	3 00
Prussiate yellow.	28
ROOTS.	
Alkanet.	25
Aitha, cut.	15
Arrow, St. Vincent's.	17
Arrow, Taylor's, in 1/2 & 3/4 lb.	35
Blood (Powd 18c).	12
Calamus, peeled.	20
Calamus, German white, peeled.	35
Elicampagne, powdered.	20
Geantian (Powd 15c).	10
Ginger, African (Powd 14c).	11 @ 12
Ginger, Jamaica bleached.	17
Golden Seal (Powd 25c).	20
Hellebore, white powdered.	20
Ipecac, Rio, powdered.	1 20
Jalap, powdered.	30
Licorice, select (Powd 15c).	18
Modic, extra select.	20
Pink, true.	30
Rhei, from select to choice.	1 00 @ 1 50
Rhei, powdered E. I.	1 10 @ 1 20
Rhei, choice cut cubes.	2 00
Rhubarb, choice cut cubes.	2 50
Serpentaria.	65
Seneca.	60
Sarsaparilla, Honduras.	45
Sarsaparilla, Mexican.	45

Squills, white (Powd 35c).	15
Valerian, English (Powd 30c).	25
Valerian, Vermont (Powd 28c).	20
SEEDS.	
Anise, Italian (Powd 20c).	17
Bird, mixed in 2 packages.	5 @ 6
Canary, Smyrna.	4 @ 4 1/2
Caraway, best Dutch (Powd 20c).	15 @ 18
Cardamom, Aleppee.	1 10
Cardamom, Malabar.	1 25
Celery.	15
Coriander, best English.	10
Fennel.	10
Flax, cloth.	3 1/2 @ 4
Flax, pure grd (bbl 2 1/2).	4 @ 15
Foenugreek, powdered.	7 @ 8
Hemp, Russian.	4 1/2 @ 5 1/2
Mustard, white Black 100.	10
Quince.	7 5
Rape, English.	6 @ 7
Worm, Levant.	10 @ 14
Florida sheeps' wool, carriage.	2 25 @ 2 50
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BUSINESS LAW.

Brief Digests of Recent Decisions in Courts of Last Resort.

PAYMENT OF DEBT BEFORE DUE.

According to the decision of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania in the case of Sayers vs. Kent, no presumption of intent to defraud creditors arises for paying installments of a debt before coming due, and taking a rebate of interest thereon.

BOGUS CHECK.

BIG RAPIDS, Sept. 10, 1886.

E. A. Stowe, Grand Rapids:

DEAR SIR—An individual who calls himself a business man gave me a check the other day for an account against him, taking my receipt in full. The bank refused to cash the check, on the ground that the person giving it had no funds on deposit there, but the gentleman refuses to arrange for the payment of the check or return my receipt. Under the circumstances it would seem as though I might proceed against him legally. Am I right in so thinking? Yours, MERCHANT.

You are wrong. In giving the person a receipt you did not waive your claim to any property, as you had the check to show for the same. If the person had obtained goods or money, however, by giving you a bogus check, he would have been liable to prosecution on a charge of obtaining goods under false pretenses. As it is, he is guilty of a breach of business decency, which stamps him as a fraud.

SELLING TIES A SECOND TIME.

LEE, Sept. 10, 1886.

E. A. Stowe, Grand Rapids:

DEAR SIR—I have a special favor to ask of you, to-wit: To ascertain if it is a crime for a man to sell a certain piece of property and deliver it to one man and receive pay for the same, then to sell the same piece of property to another party and obtain pay for the same again. And how can the rascal be punished for committing such an outrage?

I will explain more fully. A certain man delivered some ties on the line of the railway here, sold them to Mr. A. and got pay for them. He then went to another town and sold the same ties to Mr. B. and obtained pay a second time. I have written the prosecuting attorney of this county and he says we cannot prosecute a man in a criminal court for doing such a thing. If it can or if it cannot be done, I think it would be of service to retail grocers (as they are interested in such affairs) to have your opinion appear in THE TRADESMAN under the title of Business Law.

Yours truly, S. D. HALE.

If the person above referred to made a valid sale of the ties to the first purchaser, he rendered himself liable to a criminal prosecution for obtaining money under false pretenses by selling them a second time. It hardly seems possible that the Prosecuting Attorney of Allegan county would construe the law as Mr. Hale asserts.

ADMISSIBILITY OF TIME-BOOK.

In the case of Mayor vs. Second Avenue Railway Company, the New York Court of Appeals held, that in order to prove the number of days work performed upon a job a time-book kept by a time-keeper was admissible in evidence, it having been first proved by the gang foreman that he correctly reported each day to the time-keeper the number of men at work upon the job, and by the time-keeper that he had correctly entered in the time-book the time reported to him by the gang foreman. The court said: We think entries so made, with the evidence of the foreman that they made true reports, and of the person who made the entries that he correctly entered them, are admissible. It is substantially by this method of accounts that the transactions of business in numerous cases are authenticated, and business could not be carried on and accounts kept in many cases without great inconvenience, unless this method of keeping and proving accounts is sanctioned. In a business where many laborers are employed the accounts must, in most cases, of necessity be kept by a person not cognizant of the facts, and from reports made by others. The person in charge of the laborers knows the fact, but he may not have the skill, or for other reasons it may be inconvenient that he should keep the account. It may be assumed that a system of accounts based upon substantially the same methods as the accounts in this case is in accordance with the usage of business. In admitting an account verified as was this account here, there is little danger of mistake, and the admission of such an account as legal evidence is often necessary to prevent a failure of justice.

One phase of the labor question was developed by an official taking a school census recently. He was met at the door by a tired-looking little woman. "What is your husband's business, madam?" "Oh, he has no business." "What does he work at?" "He does no work, he is a labor reformer." "What do you do?" "I take in washing and ironing." That is the way a number of "friends of the laboring man" settle the labor question; they let their wives do work to support them, while they are reforming the country and putting down the monopolist.



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TIME TABLES.

Chicago & West Michigan.		
	Leaves.	Arrives.
*Mail	9:00 a m	3:55 p m
*Day Express	12:50 p m	9:30 p m
*Night Express	11:00 p m	5:45 a m
Muskegon Express	4:45 p m	11:00 a m
*Daily	*Daily except Sunday.	
Pullman Sleeping Cars on all night trains.		
Through parlor car in charge of careful attendants without extra charge to Chicago on 12:50 p. m., and through coach on 9 a. m. and 11 p. m. trains.		

NEWAYGO DIVISION.		
	Leaves.	Arrives.
Express	3:45 p m	4:50 p m
Express	8:00 a m	10:35 a m
All trains arrive and depart from Union Depot.		
The Northern terminus of this Division is at Baldwin, where close connection is made with F. & P. M. trains to and from Ludington and Manistee.		
W. A. GAVETT, Gen'l Pass. Agent.		
J. B. MULLIKEN, General Manager.		

Grand Rapids & Indiana.		
GOING NORTH.		
	Arrives.	Leaves.
Traverse City and Mack Ex.	8:45 a m	9:05 a m
Traverse City and Mack Ex.	11:45 a m	11:45 a m
Traverse City and Mack Ex.	7:40 p m	11:10 p m
Cadillac Express	3:40 p m	5:05 p m
9:05 a m and 11:45 a m trains have chair cars for Mackinac and Traverse City.		
11:10 p m train has a sleeping car for Traverse City and Mackinac.		
GOING SOUTH.		
Cincinnati Express	5:40 a m	7:15 a m
Fort Wayne Express	10:25 a m	11:45 a m
Cincinnati Express	5:05 p m	5:30 p m
Trav. City and Mack Ex.	10:40 p m	10:40 p m
7:15 a m train has parlor chair car for Cincinnati.		
5:30 p m train has Woodruff sleeper for Cincinnati.		
C. L. LOCKWOOD, Gen'l Pass. Agent.		

Detroit, Mackinac & Marquette.		
Going West.		Going East.
p. m.	a. m.	p. m.
10:30	6:30	St. Ignace 8:30
2:56	9:40	Sney 8:15
7:00	12:40	Marquette 2:15
8:00	12:50	Marquette 2:00
8:35	1:40	Negaunee 1:25
8:50	1:55	Ishpeming 12:58
10:30	3:05	Republic 11:50
10:00	3:10	Michigamme 11:50
	4:10	L'Anse 10:40
	5:30	Houghton 9:20
	5:50	Hancock 9:01
	6:35	Calumet 8:15
Mixed train leaves St. Ignace at 7 a. m., arrives Marquette 5:30 p. m.; leaves Marquette 7 a. m., arrives St. Ignace at 5:55 p. m.		
E. W. ALLEN, Gen. Pass. and Ticket Agent, Marquette.		

Lake Shore & Michigan Southern.		
(KALAMAZOO DIVISION.)		
Leave.	Arrive.	
Ex. and N. Y. Mail.	N. Y. Mail.	N. Y. Ex.
p. m.	a. m.	p. m.
5:30	7:45	Dp. Grand Rapids Ar 9:07
6:10	9:02	Allegan 7:55
7:05	10:05	Kalamazoo 7:00
8:40	11:40	White Pigeon 5:50
a. m.	p. m.	p. m.
2:45	3:30	Toledo 11:55
a. m.	p. m.	p. m.
8:25	9:40	Cleveland 6:40
p. m.	a. m.	a. m.
2:45	3:30	Buffalo 11:55
a. m.	p. m.	p. m.
5:40	8:00	Chicago Lv 11:30
A local freight leaves Grand Rapids at 1 p. m., carrying passengers as far as Allegan.		
All trains daily except Sunday.		
J. W. MCKENNEY, General Agent.		

Detroit, Grand Haven & Milwaukee.		
GOING EAST.		
	Arrives.	Leaves.
*Steamboat Express	6:30 a m	6:25 a m
*Through Mail	10:15 a m	10:50 a m
*Evening Express	3:15 p m	3:50 p m
*Limited Express	6:25 p m	6:30 p m
*Mixed, with coach	11:00 a m	11:00 a m
GOING WEST.		
*Morning Express	1:05 p m	1:10 p m
*Through Mail	5:00 p m	5:10 p m
*Steamboat Express	10:40 p m	10:45 p m
*Mixed	7:45 a m	7:45 a m
*Night Express	5:10 a m	5:35 a m
*Daily, Sundays excepted.	*Daily.	
Passengers taking the 6:25 a. m. Express make close connections at Owosso for Lansing and at Detroit for New York, arriving there at 10:30 a. m. the following morning.		
The Night Express has a through Wagner Car and local Sleeping Car Detroit to Grand Rapids.		
D. POTTER, City Pass. Agent.		
GEO. B. REEVE, Traffic Manager, Chicago.		

Michigan Central.		
DEPART.		
Detroit Express	6:15 a m	
Day Express	1:10 p m	
Atlantic Express	10:10 p m	
Mixed	6:50 a m	
ARRIVE.		
*Pacific Express	6:00 a m	
Mail	3:50 p m	
Grand Rapids Express	10:15 p m	
Mixed	5:15 p m	
*Daily. All others daily except Sunday.	Sleeping cars run on Atlantic and Pacific Express trains to and from Detroit.	
Parlor cars run on Day Express and Grand Rapids Express to and from Detroit.		
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Stone the Woman.

Yes, stone the woman—let the man go free! Draw back your skirts lest they perchance May touch her garments as she passes; But to him put forth a willing hand To clasp with his that led her to destruction And disgrace. Shut up from her the sacred Ways of toil, that she no more may win an Honest meal; but ope to him all honorable Paths, where he may win distinction. Give him fair, pressed-down measures of Life's sweetest joys. Pass her, O maiden, With a pure, proud face, if she puts out A poor, polluted palm, but lay thy hand in His on bridal day, and swear to cling to him With wifely love and tender reverence; Trust him who led a sister woman To a fearful fate.

Yes, stone the woman—let the man go free! Let one soul suffer for the guilt of two! Is the doctrine of a hurried world, Too out of breath for holding balances Where nice distinctions and injustices Are calmly weighed, but, ah, how will it be On that strange day of final fire and flame, When man shall stand before the one true Judge? Shall sex make then a difference in Sin? Shall He, the Speaker of the hidden Heart, in his eternal and divine decree, Condemn the woman and forgive the man?

HURRAH FOR HONDURAS.

Best Place in the World to Find Fruits and Fortunes.

Col. Pat Donan, the extensive and tireless traveler, was interviewed the other day in an eastern city about Honduras, whither he is soon to return.

"Oranges, bananas, lemons, paw-paps and thousands of other tropical fruits," he said, "grow wild in the forests of Honduras and even in the streets of cities and the highways. If you want a lemonade there, one of the pretty Spanish girls of the family you are boarding with will step out into the yard and squeeze the juice of a lemon into a glass without plucking the fruit from the tree. It's the same way with bananas. The natives split the ripe fruit in the bunch and eat the luscious pulp without removing the outer covering from the stalk. It's a great scheme. In Honduras you never hear of a man sitting down so hard as to rip his pantaloons because he has stepped on a banana skin. Then the oranges! Why, they're so large and juicy that they burst open on the branches like baked apples. In the forests it is a common thing to find the ground under an orange tree as damp as though it had been moistened by a lawn-sprinkler, just from the juice that drops from the bursted fruit. I tell you that's a great fruit country.

"Honduras grows more oranges wild than are cultivated in the groves of California and Florida combined, and other fruits in proportion. When the country is fully settled, there will be great money there for fruit raisers and exporters. Honduras is also rich in mines. Many of them have already been prospected, showing rich deposits, but owing to the unstable condition of affairs few have yet been extensively worked. In a few years, when filibustering expeditions become impossible and enterprising Americans get down there, Central America is going to yield some regular old Argonaut-day fortunes."

This Means You.

TO THE BUSINESS MEN OF MICHIGAN.
GRAND RAPIDS, Sept. 1, 1886.

DEAR SIR—You are respectfully invited to attend a meeting of the business men of this State, to be held at the rooms of the Retail Grocers' Association, Pearl street, Grand Rapids, on Tuesday, September 21, for the purpose of forming a State organization of retailers, having for its object the curtailment of the operations of the dead-beat and peddler and the reformation of other abuses affecting the trade. All interested in the subject of concerted action in the direction indicated, whether members of local associations or not, are requested to attend the meeting and favor those present with such suggestions as may seem to them to be pertinent to the occasion. Those so inclined are requested to prepare papers setting forth their ideas on the subjects selected and ample opportunity will be given for the interchange of opinions and observations. Sessions will be held at 10 a. m., 2 p. m., and 7 p. m., after which a season of social enjoyment will be tendered the visiting delegates by the Retail Grocers' Association. Those intending to be present will please notify the Committee of Arrangements as far in advance as practicable, in order that the proper arrangements may be made for their entertainment.

B. S. HARRIS,
CHAS. L. LAWTON,
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B. F. EMERY,
A. J. ELLIOTT,
E. A. STOWE.

Committee of Arrangements of the Retail Grocers' Association.

A Voice from Sand Lake.

SAND LAKE, August 8, 1886.

E. A. Stowe, Grand Rapids:

DEAR SIR—I see by your issue of this week that all whom are interested in retail trade in Michigan are invited to attend the coming convention at Grand Rapids on September 21. I shall be pleased to avail myself of your kindly invitation to be present, hoping to gain thereby information valuable to our business. Our list of dead-beats is too long for profit, as we have over thirty of them whom to know is enough to satisfy one that their acquaintance is not desirable at least.

We have no organization here, but believe the time is near when every section will be joined in mutual protection.

Yours truly,
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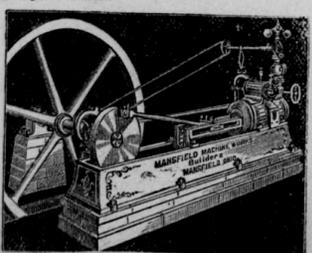
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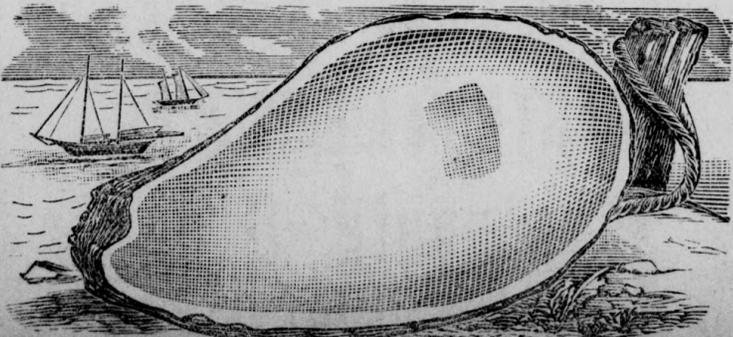
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Androsoggin, 7-4, 13	Pepperell, 11-4, 22
Pepperell, 7-4, 13	Pequot, 7-4, 14
Pepperell, 8-4, 15	Pequot, 8-4, 16
Pepperell, 9-4, 17	Pequot, 9-4, 18

CHECKS.	
Economy, 02, 10	Park Mills, No. 100, 15
Park Mills, No. 30, 10	Prodigy, 02, 10
Park Mills, No. 60, 11	St. August, 02, 10
Park Mills, No. 70, 12	Otis Furniture, 8 1/2
Park Mills, No. 80, 13	York, 1 oz., 02, 12 1/2
Park Mills, No. 90, 14	York, A.A., extra 02, 12 1/2

OSNABURGS.	
Plain	Plaid
Alabama, 02, 10	Alabama, 02, 10
Georgia, 02, 10	Georgia, 02, 10
Jewell, 02, 10	Jewell, 02, 10
Kentucky, 02, 10	Kentucky, 02, 10
Lane, 02, 10	Lane, 02, 10
Santee, 02, 10	Santee, 02, 10

BLEACHED COTTONS.	
Avondale, 36, 8 1/2	Gilded Age, 02, 10
Art cambrics, 36, 9 1/2	Greene, G 4-4, 02, 10
Androsoggin, 4-4, 7 1/2	Hill, 4-4, 02, 10
Androsoggin, 5-4, 12 1/2	Hill, 5-4, 02, 10
Ballou, 4-4, 02, 10	King Philip cambric, 4-4, 02, 10
Ballou, 5-4, 02, 10	King Philip cambric, 5-4, 02, 10
Boott, 0-4, 4-4, 02, 10	Lonsdale, 4-4, 02, 10
Boott, E-5-4, 02, 10	Lonsdale, 5-4, 02, 10
Boott, A-4, 4-4, 02, 10	Lonsdale cambric, 10-4, 02, 10
Boott, R, 3-4, 4-4, 02, 10	Langdon, GB, 4-4, 02, 10
Blackstone, AA 4-4, 02, 10	Langdon, 4-4, 02, 10
Chapman, X, 4-4, 02, 10	Langdon, 5-4, 02, 10
Conway, 4-4, 02, 10	Linwood, 4-4, 02, 10
Cabot, 4-4, 02, 10	Masonville, 4-4, 02, 10
Cabot, 7-8, 02, 10	Whitinsville, 7-8, 02, 10
Canoe, 3-4, 02, 10	New York Mill, 4-4, 02, 10
Domestic, 3-4, 02, 10	New Jersey, 4-4, 02, 10
Dwight Anchor, 4-4, 02, 10	Pocasset, P. M. C., 7 1/2
Dwight, 4-4, 02, 10	Pride of the West, 10 1/2
Dwight, 5-4, 02, 10	Pocahontas, 4-4, 02, 10
Dwight, 6-4, 02, 10	Slaterville, 7-8, 02, 10
Dwight, 7-8, 02, 10	Slaterville, 8-4, 02, 10
Dwight, 8-4, 02, 10	Woodbury, 4-4, 02, 10
Dwight, 9-4, 02, 10	Whitinsville, 4-4, 02, 10
Dwight, 10-4, 02, 10	Whitinsville, 5-4, 02, 10
Dwight, 11-4, 02, 10	Whitinsville, 6-4, 02, 10
Dwight, 12-4, 02, 10	Whitinsville, 7-4, 02, 10
Dwight, 13-4, 02, 10	Whitinsville, 8-4, 02, 10
Dwight, 14-4, 02, 10	Whitinsville, 9-4, 02, 10
Dwight, 15-4, 02, 10	Whitinsville, 10-4, 02, 10
Dwight, 16-4, 02, 10	Whitinsville, 11-4, 02, 10
Dwight, 17-4, 02, 10	Whitinsville, 12-4, 02, 10
Dwight, 18-4, 02, 10	Whitinsville, 13-4, 02, 10
Dwight, 19-4, 02, 10	Whitinsville, 14-4, 02, 10
Dwight, 20-4, 02, 10	Whitinsville, 15-4, 02, 10

SILESIA.	
Crown, 02, 10	Masonville S., 11
No. 10, 02, 10	Lonsdale, 02, 10
Coin, 02, 10	Lonsdale A., 14
Amiel, 02, 10	Amiel, 02, 10
Blackburn, 02, 10	Victory J., 02, 10
Davol, 02, 10	Victory D., 02, 10
London, 02, 10	Victory K., 02, 10
Paco, 02, 10	Phoenix A., 02, 10
Red Cross, 02, 10	Phoenix B., 02, 10
Masonville TS, 02, 10	Phoenix XX, 02, 10

PRINTS.	
Albion, solid, 02, 10	Gloucester, 02, 10
Albion, grey, 02, 10	Gloucestermourn'g, 02, 10
Allen's checks, 02, 10	Hamilton fancy, 02, 10
Allen's fancy, 02, 10	Hartel fancy, 02, 10
Allen's pink, 02, 10	Merriman D., 02, 10
Allen's purple, 02, 10	Manchester, 02, 10
American, fancy, 02, 10	Oriental fancy, 02, 10
Arnold fancy, 02, 10	Oriental robes, 02, 10
Berlin solid, 02, 10	Pacific robes, 02, 10
Cocheo fancy, 02, 10	Richmond, 02, 10
Conestoga robes, 02, 10	St. River, 02, 10
Conestoga fancy, 02, 10	Simpson, 02, 10
Eddystone, 02, 10	Washington fancy, 02, 10
Edgely fancy, 02, 10	Washington blues, 02, 10
Garner pink, 02, 10	Washington blues, 02, 10

FINE BROWN COTTONS.	
Appleton A, 4-4, 02, 10	Indian Orchard, 40, 7
Boott M, 4-4, 02, 10	Indian Orchard, 36, 6
Boston F, 4-4, 02, 10	Laconia B, 7-4, 02, 10
Continental C, 4-4, 02, 10	Laconia C, 4-4, 02, 10
Continental D, 4-4, 02, 10	Mass. BB, 4-4, 02, 10
Conestoga W, 4-4, 02, 10	Nashua E, 40-in., 7 1/2
Conestoga G, 36-in., 5	Nashua R, 4-4, 02, 10
Dwight X, 3-4, 02, 10	Nashua O, 7-8, 02, 10
Dwight Y, 7-8, 02, 10	Newmarket N, 02, 10
Dwight Z, 4-4, 02, 10	Pepperell E, 40-in., 02, 10
Dwight Star, 4-4, 02, 10	Pepperell R, 4-4, 02, 10
Dwight Star, 40-in., 7	Pepperell O, 7-8, 02, 10
Enterprise EE, 36, 4 1/2	Pepperell H, 3-4, 02, 10
Great Falls E, 4-4, 02, 10	Pocasset C, 4-4, 02, 10
Farmers' A, 4-4, 02, 10	Saranac R, 02, 10
	Saranac E, 02, 10

DOMESTIC GINGHAMS.	
Amoskeag, 02, 10	Johnson Manfg Co, Bookfold, 12 1/2
Amoskeag, Persian 9 styles, 02, 10	Johnson Manfg Co, dress styles, 10 1/2
Berkshire, 02, 10	Slaterville, dress styles, 10 1/2
Glasgow, fancy, 02, 10	White Mfg Co, stap 6 1/2
Glasgow, royal, 02, 10	White Mfg Co, fanc 7 1/2
Gloucester, new standard, 02, 10	Earlston, 7 1/2
Plunket, 02, 10	Gordon, 7
Lancaster, 02, 10	Greylock, dress styles, 10 1/2
Langdown, 02, 10	
Renfrew, dress, 9	

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Pepperell, 8-4, 17	Pequot, 8-4, 18
Pepperell, 9-4, 19	Pequot, 9-4, 20

HEAVY BROWN COTTONS.	
Atlantic A, 4-4, 02, 10	Lawrence XX, 4-4, 02, 10
Atlantic B, 4-4, 02, 10	Lawrence XXX, 40, 7 1/2
Atlantic D, 4-4, 02, 10	Lawrence LL, 4-4, 02, 10
Atlantic P, 4-4, 02, 10	Newmarket N, 02, 10
Atlantic LL, 4-4, 02, 10	Mystic River, 4-4, 02, 10
Adriatic, 36, 02, 10	Pequot A, 4-4, 02, 10
Augusta, 4-4, 02, 10	Piedmont, 36, 02, 10
Boott M, 4-4, 02, 10	Stark AA, 4-4, 02, 10
Boott F, 4-4, 02, 10	Tremont CC, 4-4, 02, 10
Grantville, 4-4, 02, 10	Utica, 4-4, 02, 10
Indian Head, 4-4, 02, 10	Wachusett, 4-4, 02, 10
Indiana Head 45-in, 11 1/2	Wachusett, 30-in., 9 1/2

TICKINGS.	
Amoskeag, ACA, 17	Falls, XXX, 15 1/2
Amoskeag, "44, 12 1/2	Falls, BB, 30, 11 1/2
Amoskeag, A, 11 1/2	Falls, BCC, 30, 10 1/2
Amoskeag, B, 11	Falls, awning, 19
Amoskeag, C, 10 1/2	Hamilton, BT, 32, 9 1/2

