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Every scientist knows that wherefacts and theories disagree, it is the facts that are at fault. The evolutionists say there must be a link between the ape and the man; search long enough and you will find it . There must be iron ore among the mountains of the North Shore, the geologists insist; hunt diligently enough and you will discover it. As the scientists said so and the capitalists hoped so, between them they induced the state to send half a dozen of us, surveyors, geologists, and mining experts to look for it We made our headquarters for the summer at Bois Bleu because of its close connection with the great world. A tug from Duluth touched there once a week, brought us our mail, and took away the fisherman's lake trout and Siskiwit When we discovered iron, Bois Bleu would become a great city; meantime, it boasted eight houses, including the lightkeeper's house, the post office, and Colo nel Bob Weston's "hotel," where we boarded. The other five were seven by twelve log huts that belonged to no one in particular, stood vacant all winter, and were occupied by the first fishermen who arrived in the spring. Besides these dwellings of the dominant race, the beach and hillside were dotted with Indian tepees
It was obviously desirable for us to be on friendly terms with the scanty population of Bois Bleu; moreover, the fishermen were good fellows; so we often dropped into the post office of an evening and joined the noisy but not disorderly group around the stove. It was there that I first heard of Tom's 'Liza.
I had been tramping all day among the hills, carrying a huge hammer for breaking rocks. The result was, 1 had only enough energy left to lounge in an armchair and sleepily tease Dr. Sinclair's great tortoise-shell cat, which looked too provokingly comfortable to be let alone. The doctor sat near by, stroking his long, white beard, smiling benignantly, and looking very much out of place-which, truth to tell, he was. I used to wonder at first how the doctor ever drifted to Bois Bleu, but later on I understood quite well. He was one of those men who have every quality that brings success, except combativeness; but that omission is fatal. He had made a mistake, moreover, in his profession; he was too sensitive, too womanish for it; he felt responsibilities too keenly. The little practice that he had, had broken down his nervous system completely. An entire change of scene and occupation was ordered, and he had gone into the wilderness. Now, remember the dislike of a dreamer for the noise and rush and dirt of civilization. Being once in the wilderness, he had stayed there. It was all plain enough. The unspoiled beauty of lake and hill and sky soothed him as a woman's touch soothes an aching forehead. And his books were with him, those well-read, well-pondered, well-loved volnmes that filled the shelves in the corner of the post office. The doctor had plenty of interest; he had
a mineralogical collection, a botanical collection, and a collection of butterflies and beetles, all quite remarkable in their way. The post office could scarcely have been lucrative, but he eked out his income by keeping a little store in an unbusinesslike way, and furnishing the natives with tobacco and fishing tackle and cotton cloth. On the whole, the doctor's life was a very peaceful one; but, perhaps a trifle lonely.
had grown tired of speculating about the doctor, and, half unconsciously, I found myself listening to the talk among the men.
"Why, wbat ails Tom ter night?" Colonel Bob was saying, as he knocked the ashes out of his pipe. "He ain't opened his mouth sence he come."
"I don' know," drawled the little French Canadian with a twinkle in his eye. "Onless he have lost de heart to one o' de many charmin' ladees o' dis towan." There was a general laugh.
"Ef you fellers don't shet yer mouths, I won't tell ye what I see ter day," broke in the subject of thelr remarks, suddenly bringing his feet and the front legs of his tilted chair onto the floor with a thud.
'Sarpints?
'Wuss'n thet: Ye mayn't believe me, boys, but I seen-a gal!"

He paused for effect, but was met by a chorus of jeers.

Tom see Meeses Bardee in de new sunbonnit," suggested the Frenchman.
"Or the colonel's missus."
"Ye leave my wife alone, boys, d'ye hear?" roared the colonel.
"Come, colonel, nobody wa'n't a hurtin'
"Tom, me boy," put in Mr. Brady, the lightkeeper, who often acted as peacemaker in an unobtrusive manner, "air ye often tuk this way?
'An' air it gen'ally dangerous to them near by?"
"It's the Lord's truth, boys; I seen her.'
"What's Tom doin' wi' the Lord's truth?"
"He ain't got no business with it, thet's sartin. Better take it back, Tom, 'fore the Lord misses it."
'I dunno about thet. He might make by keepin' it a spell. I think I see the Lord advertisin', "No questions axed an' a lib'rul reward fer its return!'"
"You folks air a plaguey sight too funny. I won't tell ye 'bout thet gal now, not ter save ye!" And Tom relapsed into silence for the rest of the evening.
It so happened that Tom and I got up to go at the same time. For several minutes we walked on together under the stars without saying a word. Then I broke the silence.
'I say, Tom, what was that you were giving the boys about having seen a girl to-day?"
-Fact, sir, though they chose ter be so cussed funny 'bout it. I'll tell ye how it was. 'Twas too thick. fer fishin' this mornin', so I jest slung on my rifle and went up the slope lookin' fer some game -an', by gosh, I found it! Maybe ye've
noticed them sticks with white rags a floatin' from'em up yonder on the hillside? They're Injun buryin' grounds, ye know. Wal, I stumbled on one uv'em in the fog, not seein' rightly whar I was goin'. There was a big kind ${ }^{\prime}$ ' box-like thing thar, with rough drawers an' cubbyholes in it. An' kneelin' down in front uv it, an' puttin daisies an' sech like weeds inter them holes as serious ez ye please, was about the likeliest lookin'gal I ever soteyes on. Injun? Oh, $o^{\prime}$ course, an' wrapped up in a red blanket jest like any squaw. Up she jumps, seart ez anything. Gosh, but she was han'some! Tall an' straight ez them white pines the lumbermen set store by, an' yet sort o' bendable like-more in the natur' uv a saplin'. Ye could see the blood jest cavortin' up an' down her cheeks right through the skin. An' her eyes hed the look uv hevin' been melted an' then sot afire to. I asks her sort o' gruff what's she doin' thar. She says, in her lingo, 'It's the month $o$ ' flowers, an' I'm bringin' 'em ter the dead.'- Much good it does 'em a rottin' down below,' says I, 'ter hev weeds poked in them cubbies fer 'em.'-'Oh,' says she, 'ye're a white man,'-ez much ez ter say, 'thet accounts fer ye're bein' sech a blockhead.' I felt sort o' tuck down, an' wanted ter begin on a new tack. So I jest lays my hand on her shoulder an' starts ter say somethin' pleasant consarnin' her good looks-when, whew! off she goes like she was shot out uv a gun, an' I see her about half a mile down the slope, runnin' like some wild thing out o' the woodswhich, I suppose, she is, fer a fact," he added meditatively.
I expressed my interest in the adventure, for Tom had paused in a way that led me to think it was incumbent on me to say something. But I evidently overdid my politeness, for my late communicative and poetical companion suddenly stood still, eyed me from head to foot, and then growled in a significant tone.
"Look-y here, sir. You axed me 'bout this here gal, an' I told you everything I knowed. But if so be ez ye set great store by this world, ye won't start out to hunt her up. She's $m y$ find, an' I don't go shares with no one."

I assured Tom that I had no thought of interfering with his rights as discoverer and we parted amicably at the colonel's door.

Soon after this I went off, with the mining expert and a couple of Indian guides, on an extended expedition among the back hills. Returning after three weeks in the open air, several days of which were spent among the black-flies, I found my much-inhabited bunk at the colonel's a marvel of luxury, and I regarded the brown paper partition between my room and the next as a triumph of civilization.
The morning after my return, as I was sauntering out with a cigarette, Mrs. Colonel called after me and told me to get some fish for dinner, gently intimating that that festive meal wouldn't come off at all if I didn't. Mrs. Colonel was one of those people whom to hear is to obey. She was a tall, thin, bony woman, composed of a great number of acute angles. Having been brought up in the idea that there are no straight lines in nature, I saw no alternative but to regard Mrs. Colonel as a work of art. But once when I ventured on propounding this theory to my companions, the surveyor vowed that, if she was a work of art, she
was "damnably out of drawing." Her voice was like her person-all acute angles. The amusing part of it was that she was perfectly aware of her external attractions, while she clung to the universal belief of ugly people that "appearances are deceptive." She intimated as much to me one day, while telling me about a fisherman's wife who had been at Bois Bleu the summer before, and what a little vixen she was, in spite of her doll-baby looks. "But thet jest shows how we alluz gits led astray, if we set out jedgin' folks by their looks, an' thet's a fact. Anybody'ud a thought thet woman was an angel, jest seein' her outsides, and ye kin say for yerself ef any body.ter look at me wouldn't take me fer a panther!" I remember that I agreed with her so heartily that she didn't seem at all pleased; but inconsistency is ingrained in the nature of women.
Having received my orders to get fish, and not feeling in the least like fishing, 1 bethought me of $m y$ friend Tom, and directed my steps to his cabin to see if I could buy a lake trout. Tom was sitting on his doorstep, with his slouch hat on the back of his head and his pipe in his mouth. Evidently he was taking a day off. He got up as I approached, and removed the pipe.
"How air ye?" he said quite cordially. "Did ye strike any ore?" Then, the instincts of hospitality asserting themselves, he added, "Walk inter the shanty, won't ye, an' set down?"
1 caught a glimpse of petticoats through the half-open door and said I would.
Tom's shanty had undergone a transformation since 1 last saw it. It had acquired the indescribable air of a home. The forlorn bunk in the corner had made way for a four-poster bed, resplendent in a calico quilt. The walls were covered with advertisement cards and pages from the illustrated papers. A rocking-chair with a tidy had been added to the room, and a carpet rug with pink and red roses on a light blue ground blazed on the floor. But the most telling touch of all was a row of fish geraniums in tin cans ranged on the window-sill. Over these household goods presided the most beautiful Indian girl I ever saw. I say presided, to be accurate; she retreated to the farthest corner and stood with her finger in her mouth, looking as sheepish and frightened as can well be imagined. I greeted her as civilly as I knew how, but not a word did she answer.
"She ain't no great shakes on English," Tom explained, "an' she's kinder scart ${ }^{\prime}$ ' you, being no wise used ter the gentry. Never mind her. Jest set down."
I sat down in the rocker and Tom stood up, as the establishment afforded no other chair.
"You're looking very comfortable here,
Tom-quite home-like," I began.
"Why, yes-don't it look nice?"' he replied, much gratified. " $O$ ' course, it's a poor place ter you, but $I$ ain't been so fixed up fer a long spell. Why, ye see, when me an' 'Liza set up together 1 thought we might jest ez well make ourselves ter home an' not act like we was tentin' out. Besides, I'm edicatin' 'Liza in the ways o' civilization an' home life. So ez I hed ter go ter Duluth anyhow, I jest laid in a stock o' truck an' brung it back with me on the tug. 'Tis pretty nice, ain't it now?'
"But how on earth did you ever think of putting flowers in your window?"
"It was surprisin' on my part, wa'n't it? Wal, ye know I got ter thinkin' how when I was a little chap, an' I recollected seein' them red flowers in the winder an' how chirky they alluz looked, an' set off straight ter Marm Brady an' she says, 'Tom, I hadn't ort ter be encouragin' ye in the paths o' wickedness'; but she takes me inter the yard all the same an' cuts me them slips." And Tom chuckled softly at the recollection of the experience.
"Tom," I said, "you're a lucky dog. And is this young lady the one you were telling me about before I went away?"
"She air thet, sir. But ye ain't got no call ter be so damn polite about it, bein ez 'Liza don't understand yer lingo, an' bein' ez I'm quite up ter the diff'rence 'twixt a lady an' a squaw."

By the way," I continued, wishing to change the subject, "how did she come to have such a civilized name as Eliza?' laughed.
"Lord bless ye, ye didn't suppose she was so baptized? When she come here I axed her her name, an' it was the jawbreakin'est thing I ever sot ears on. Dad alluz called mother 'Liza, so I concludes thet was a proper kind o' name fer a woman, an' says ter her, 'Jest drop thet, yer name is 'Liza'; an' she, ez is her way,
sayin' nothin', 'Liza she was, an' 'Liza she still is."
Tom evidently thought he had answered enough questions, so he began pumping me about my trip. Not having found iron, it was a rather sore subject with me, and I got through my crossexamination as quickly as possible and stated the errand on which I had come.

- I'm mighty sorry not ter accommo date ye, but I turned over my fish ter the tug only yesterday, an' ez ye see I ain't been out this mornin'." He reflected a moment. "I'll tell ye! Would a white fish fill yer bill? I see the old Injun in the tepee yonder comin' home jesi now with a whoppin' big un he'd speared."
"Capital! But will he let me have it?"
'Oh, 'Liza'll git it fer ye; 'Liza, jest respected gran'dad fer the white fish he jest brung in. Tell him the white man'll give him a dime fer it."

Better say a quarter," I suggested.
'Jest ez ye like," he said, casting look of withering scorn at me, "but wouldn't be a fool ef I was you."
I subsided meekly. Just here an unexpected obstacle occurred in 'Liza's refusing to go. Not a word did she say, but she retreated still further into the corner and shook her head violently Tom stormed and swore, but to no purpose.
"Well, drat it, I'll go myself!" he exclaimed finally-and he did.
"Queer, ain't it," he said to me as he returned in triumph with the fish, "how she hates ter go near her own folks? She's been thet way ever sence she tuk up with civilization."
"Civilization and you," I added.
Tom grinned and I returned to Mrs. Colonel, fortified with the wherewithal for dinner.

## III.

A couple of years later an old college chum from the East was visiting me, and wanting to show him some phases of Western life with which he was unfamiliar, and at the same time give him some good fishing and shooting, I be-

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'Who's the young lady our friend, the doctor, is escorting?" I ventured to ask "She kinder belongs to him," snapped Mrs. Colonel.
I began to laugh.
"You don't mean to say the doctor has been having an adventure?"
The colonel went off into peals of laughter, and Mrs. Colonel smiled sourly. "I means what I sez, an' nothin' more. Ez for the doctor, he ain't got spunk enough to have a child of his own."

I took this to be an exoneration of the doctor, though no very satisfactory explanation of the mystery, but it had an accent of finality and I did not dare pursue the subject.

When the enlivening collation of pie and cheese known as "tea" was over, I took my friend out to see Bois Bleu. We soon wandered down to the end of the pier, and sat for some time at the foot of the lighthouse, smoking peacefully and watching the sunset tints as they faded from crimson to pink and from pink to gray.
The lighthouse suggested the lightkeeper. I had always been fond of the Brady family, and by some unwonted streak of brilliancy I had thought to bring a box of candy for the children. So we turned into the well-kept enclosure which surrounds the lightkeeper's trim and somewhat pretentious frame house. The light is a sixth-order, pier-head lantern in a tower fifteen feet high. The house is a two-story and a half Queen Anne cottage containing eight or ten rooms. I have often noticed these compensations in government offices.
Mr. Brady had gone to the post-office to smoke. Mrs. Brady I found just the same as ever, not a whit less cheerful or energetic, in spite of the brand-new baby and the yearling that had been added to her establishment since I last saw her. Having delivered the candy and inquired after the family, I was on the point of leaving when the vision of the little tot in white clutching the doctor's hand flashed through my mind, and I hastened to ask Mrs. Brady about it.
"Oh, bless yer soul, he's been a father ter that child ef ever a man was. Ye recolleck thet fisherman, Tom, thet tuk up with a young squaw the summer ye was here? Wal, it's their child."
"You don't tell me so!" I exclaimed. "And what has become of 'Liza?"
Mrs. Brady pointed significantly toward the ceiling.
"I reckon she's up there, though she was a heathen. She went through enough, ef that counts for anything."
"Dead? The poor little girl!"
"I'll tell ye about it some day when ye've time to listen. It's a middlin' long story."

I begged her to tell me right away.
"Sure ye ain't in no hurry? Wal, this is the way it was. Ye know what kind $o^{\prime}$, men them fishermen is-the winter in

Duluth, this summer here, the next summer there, an' a wife everywhere. They don't seem to mean no great harm by it; but sometimes harm comes uv it, fer all thet. Wal, long in the fall, on the last rip o' the tug, off goes Tom, and never lets on ter 'Liza ez he ain't comin' direkly back. When it come time fer the tug ter be back, an' it didn't turn up, she begins ter git kind o' anxious, an' I see her standin' in the doorway day after day shadin' her eyes with her hand, an' lookin' out on the Lake so sad and lonely like-an' me knowin' all the while he wa'n't comin' back! I could most a cried ter see her watchin' fer him, knowin what I did. I hope the Lord'll fergive me fer all the lies I told her first and last. They was well meant, anyhow. tuk ter stoppin' ter see her, ter chirk her up a bit. i told her right out it was the last trip $o^{\prime}$ the tug, but let on ez, o' course, Tom hadn't knowed it, an' would be sure ter come jest ez soon ez the ice on the lake was hard enough ter travel on. An' she, poor child, tuk it all in and she then tuk ter goin' down
on the pier every day ter poke the ice with a stick. The poor young thing! It makes my heart ache now, ter think uv her! An' what a store she did set by thet good-fer-nothin' Tom! When I first tuk ter goin' ter see her she was kinder shy an' scart, but by an' by she gits quite frien'ly like an' tells me 'bout the calico frock Tom said he'd bring her when he came home, and wants ter know ef I don't think Tom's the wonderfulest man thet ever breathed, an' asks me fifty thousand questions 'bout the city an' how long it'll take Tom ter git up when the ice is firm enough. Ter all o' which 1 jest ladles out lies ter chirk her up.
was easy enough ter see the way she was in; but she, either from bein' so young, or bein' a Injun, or bein' so much wrapped up in her Tom, didn't seem ter hev no great store $o$ ' nat'ral feelin's. 'I don't want no younguns. I hopes the thing'll die,' she says. An' when I tuk ter tellin' her how cunnin' it ud be, an' how much company fer her, she says kinder sad-like, 'Tom's all the company I want-an' younguns ud pester him.' She never fer a moment hed a doubt thet thet precious Tom wa'n't a-comin' back ter her jest the first moment he could git there. 'I reckon Tom'll be here by to-morrow,' she'd say ter me every time I went there. An' I alluz says, 'Yes, me dear, I've no doubt he will.' Ye may remember, sir, what a cold winter thet was. I don't recolleck anytning like it The wind jest bit yer nose off ter so much ez open the door. The Injuns was dyin' all over the mountains like musketers. An' 'Liza she hadn't nothin' ter eat-an' livin' in a house all the season, she'd kinder lost her Injun ways an' couldn't git nothin'. She'd git what she could at the store, sayin' Tom ud pay fer it when he come buck, an' the doctor gives her all she wants an' never lets on. But ye know yerself, the doctor don't keep much in the way of vittles outside of coffee an' sugar an' mint sticks, the which ain't over and above sustainin'; an' I reckon she'd a lived pretty narrow ef I hadn't sent my Janie over 'most every day with a mess $o^{\prime}$ venison or a bit $0^{\prime}$ puddin.' An' she'd say yes, ef Tom should happen ter drop in unexpected it ud come in very handy. But she never says nothin' about bein' in need o' things herselfnot she.
"You, sir, livin' in the city hev no
idee what the winter's like up here, ner how long an' dreary it seems ter the best uv us. Ye look out at the lake, an' thet's white an' dazzlin'; ye look up at the hills, an' they're white an' dazzlin'; ye look under foot, an' it's white an' daz-zlin',-everywhere the same whiteness and dazzlin'ness. An' then it's so lonesome. I git mighty tired 'fore it's over ' seein' nobody but me own folks an' the doctor an' the colonel an' his missus. So ye kin jest think how many years long that winter must er seemed ter'Liza, all alone, an' every day expectin' Tom.
'Wal, long in the spring, 'bout March er April, but long afore the ice an' snow hed thought $o$ ' sech a thing ez meltin', I was woke up one night by a terr'ble thumpin' at the door. Brady, he jest snores through it all, ez happy ez ye please. Ez I opens the door, a great puff $o$ ' wind comes in, a pilin' up the snow in the hall,-an' thar was 'Liza, all pinched up with the cold, with jest a little plaid shawl throwed over her head. She was half scart to death, not knowin' rightly what ailed her. 'Twan't no time fer her to be goin' home, so I jest tumbles her inter some warm blankets, an' starts fer the doctor. An' tho Lord only knows how thet poor child ever got from her shanty ter us. The snow was so thick an' blindin' I got lost a dozen times jest between here an' the doctor's, an' I kept flounderin' in the drifts, an' once't I got inter a drift up ter me armpits, an' I thought I was done fer. I alluz says I'll be ready when the Lord calls me, but I kept thinkin' what a mess Brady'ud make a bringin' up all them children without me. $O^{\prime}$ ' course I got out in the Lord's own time, an' the doctor's door bein: onlocked, I jest runs right in, an' I reckon he was pretty much scart when he woke up an' see me standin' by the bed all covered with snow, lookin' fer all the world, like any ghost. I tells him quick enough what's the matter, an' he jumps up an' begins pullin' on his clothes. An' we went back tergether ter 'Liza."
Here Mrs. Brady stopped to get her breath and wipe her face with the corner of her apron. Presently she went on:-- Oh, Lord, shall I ever fergit thet night an' the follerin' day! It all comes back ter me when I'm sittin' alone after dark, and when I wakes up o' nights, I thinks uv it even now. Lord help us, what a world this is! Wal, wal, the baby was a gal, ez fat and likely a young un ez I ever grain of strength in her body, with kinder look about her ez ef she was more'n half in the other world a'ready. thought she'd take comfort in seein' her baby, but she was too much uv a child herself ter take any int'rest in the other child, an' she give it a little push ter show she ain't got no use fer it. Pretty soon she got ter feelin' thet she's goin' an she begun ter scream. 'Oh, I'm goin' ter die, an' I don't want ter die. I want ter see Tom. Don't let me die! Oh, the ugly thing, ter make me die! Why can't it die and let me stay with Tom!' 'Hush, me dear,' says I, 'ye ain't neither uv ye goin' ter die. An' ye can't belp lovin' yer little babe. See how much she favors Tom. She's jest the livin' image uv him. Thet fetched her, an' she boosted hersel up on her elbow ter look at it. 'Why so it is,' she says, and fell ter kissin' it. 'But I'm goin' ter die an' never see Tom no more-without he should git here right off. He'll feel so bad when he finds
out-poor Tom! Then she reaches up
and takes the doctor's hand, an'I see the tears kinder tricklin' down his face. 'You're a good man,' says she, 'will ye promise me ter take good care o' the baby till Tom comes fer her? 'Twon't be long, and' Tom 'll pay ye fer it when he comes?' The doctor looks kind o' funny. An' there was the poor dyin' thing a lookin' at him ez ef she could see clear through ter his heart, an' then thet mite uv a baby, jest ez ef it understood what was goin' on, stuck out its little arms an' set up the pitifulest wail ez ef it hadn't a friend in the world. An' I see the doctor rub his eyes with the back uv his other hand, an' he smiles the way l've alluz pictured the angels a smilin', an' he says very gentle like, 'Yes, me dear, I'll keep her an' take good care uv her, till Tom comes ter git her.' An' she smiled kind o' contented. Thet was the last thing she ever knowed. Pretty soon she went out uv her mind, an' begun ravin' 'bout 'Tom an' the Lord knows what all, an' we hed ter hold her ter keep her from flingin' herself out $o$ ' bed. Long about night she got still again, an' about five o' clock in the mornin' she jest quietly passed away."
There was a pause. Presently she added:

Now ye know how the doctor came by the child. He knowed about ez much ez a calf how ter take care uv it, but bein' half Injun, $o$ ' course it was hard ter kill, an' I did all I could to kelp him along. Ef anything turns up, he comes ter me to talk it over ter this day. Wal, he's jest guv himself up ter takin' care $o^{\prime}$ thet child, an' dotes on it, ez I never see a man dote on a child yet. He's sot out ter make a lady ov her, I reckon, with all them store clothes he rigs he up in, Thinkno' 'Liza's child bein' a lady! She's pretty much spoilt, o' course, but he will hev it so. An' I do believe the Lord'll make it a blessin' ter him in the end."

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## AMONG THE TRADE.

abound the state.
Bay City-N. Comeau has removed his stock of clothing to Mt. Pleasant.
Cheboygan-James Gallagher succeeds Gallagher Bros. in the grocery business.
Evart-The Engel Lumber Co. will remove its office from this place to Cadillac.
Bay City-The grocery firm of Larkin \& Olmstead is succeeded by Chas. S. Welter.
Oscoda-The stock of Geo. M. Barnes, dealer in fruits, etc., has been seized by creditors.
Caro-Frank Johnson is reported as having succeeded W. H. Parker in the grocery business.
Carleton-J. F. Coleburn has purchased the furniture and undertaking business of A. Gee.
Shepherd-H. M. \& A. Hance have purchased the agricultural implement stock of A. G. Struble.
Imlay City-J. T. Messer \& Co. have purchased the general stock and banking business of Lamb \& Messer.
Brown City-Rice \& Mapes are reported to have succeeded Sherman, Mapes \& Co. in the hardware business.
Hamock-Hamilton Stewart is succeeded by Richard Barkell in the furniture and undertaking business.
Lake-J. Henry Manning, who had been engaged in general trade here since 1888, died August 18, aged 44 years.
Chesaning-A. B. Clough is succeeded by Clough \& Walker in the grocery, drug and agricultural implement business.
Alpena-A. B. DeChampayne is reported to have succeeded E. H. Barlow \& Co. in the faney and dry goods business.
Bronson-The hardware and agricultural implement stock of Fisk \& Clark is in the sheriff's possession and a receiver has been asked for.
Lake Odessa-I. M. Tolles has purchased the grocery stock of M. R. Alden and will continue the business at the same location.
Lansing-Rouser \& Conklin have purchased the drug stock of W. K. Walker. Mr. Rouser has been prescription clerk for Mr. Walker the past seven years and Mr. Conklin is brother-in-law of Mr. Rouser.
Shelby-F. W. Van Wickle has purchased the drug stock of R. Fuller and will consolidate the same with his own. D. V. Jackaway has purchased the holiday and fancy goods stocks of both Mr. Van Wickle and Mr. Fuller and will conduct the business in the store formerly occupied by the latter.
manufacturing matters.
Traverse City-Wm. H. White has sold his interest in the Traverse City Lumber Co. to his partner, C. A. Barker.
Hart-The deal which Peck \& Cutler thought was consumated by which they were to come into possession of the Wigton grist mill, was declared off and the property sold to Messrs. T. S. and C. A. Gurney. Peck \& Cutler are now looking up timber with which to supply the mill they will erect at South Grand Rapids.

The Grocery Market.
Sugar-The refiners have advanced their prices $1 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ during the past week and the market is strong and excited, rendering further advances by no means improbable. The refiners are heavily over-
sold and a scarcity in some grades of refined may ensue as the result. The refiners now ask a sixpence extra for granulated in sacks and an eighth extra for other grades in sacks, which practically leaves anything but goods in bar rels out of the market.
Corn Syrup-The manufacturers have advanced their prices 2 c and the jobbers have followed suit.
Jelly-The market has sustained an other advance, 17 lb . pails now selling for 85 c , while 30 lb . pails bring $\$ 1.30$.
Fish-Mackerel is in less urgent de mand, but prices are practically unchanged. Cod is unchanged and dull. Herring are in moderate request and nominally steady.
Fruits-Currants are firm for prime stock. Dates are inactive and nominal. Prunes are still firm for spot goods or those to arrive.
Spices - Black Singapore pepper is higher. White Singapore is firmer.
Confectionery - Advancing in sympathy with sugar. The market is very active and the demand is strong.
Oranges-Out of market.
Lemons--Scarce and prices remain the same as a week ago
Bananas-Will be scarce for a week, owing to a break in the arrivals at the seaboard markets. Prices are steady and unchanged.

## Will Be Here Next Week.

William Connor will be at Sweet's Hotel Sept. 15 and 16 with his closing out bargains, and such merchants as call upon him will see such great bargains in ready made clothing as is seldom offered to the trade, as his employers, Michael Kolb \& Son, of Rochester, New York, have decided to make a general clearance bargains to the trade generally, instead of their falling into the hands of one or two leading houses, who are always on the alert for such bargains. Don't forget the day, Thursday and Friday, Sept.
15 and $16 . \quad$ William Connor.

PRODUCE MARKET.
Apples-Sweet Boughs. Dutchess and Pippins are in good demand and adequate supply at 65 © Beans bi demand. Deaters pay 81.5001 .60 for unpicked and hold city handpicked at ${ }^{16.85}$ an 1,95 per bu, Beets-50c per buid
Blackberries-Wild in, commanding 7 Qrark c per qt.
Butter-Hilgher and firmer. Dealers pay 18 C
for for choice dairy and hold at 20 .
Cabbages- 50 and 60 c .
size
Celery-Choice home grown commands 25 c pe
dozen bunches
Cranberries A few consignments of unripe Wild berries have come to market, but no Dried apples Evaporated is firmly held a Sa9c; sundried is strong at 5@6c. Dealers pay 15c and hold at 16 c per doz.
Grapes--Ives are in limited supply and demand, commanding 65 c for 10 lb . baspet,
Green Corn-10c per doz.
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dozen onions-Onions of good keeping quality will be in comparatively light supply and prices are
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that will have to be sold early, thus for hat will have to be sold early, thus for a time
causing an apparent over-supply and a depres cion of prices in september and october. The commercial onion fields of Michigan, Illinois (mostly about Chicago), Iowa (about Davenport
and the extensive onion plantations in Ohio will average no more than the very short crop of last year in thone regions, while the quality is very
poor due to the extremely wet season poor due to the extremely wet season. week, commanding about the following prices:
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lies are beginning to arrive and will be in mar ket by the end of the week.
Peppers-Green, $81 @ 1.75$ per bu.
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and Damsons are in ample supply at $\$ 1.50$ © $\$ 1.75$
per bu
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ast year. In Jersey they promise a full crop n Texas and Arkansas an average crop, but in most other states the sield will be below that of
91. Dealers quote Jerseys at $\$ 4.50$ and Baltimores at $\$ 3.50$ per bbl.
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## GRAND RAPIDS GOSSIP.

Jacob Fisher \& Co. have opened a grocery store at 117 West Bridge street. The Olney \& Judson Grocer Co. furnished the stock.

Wm. Graham, flour and feed dealer at 703 Madison avenue, has put in a line of groceries, supplied by the Lemon \& Wheeler Company and Musselman \& Widdicomb.

The Widdicomb Furniture Co. recently purchased a tract of red oak timber, situated about six miles north of Falmouth, and is building a spur railway, two and one half miles long, running from the Eastern terminus of Chittenden \& Herrick's logging railroad, which connects with the G. R. \& I. system at Lake City. The company will transport the logs to Grand Rapids, where they will be converted into lumber at its mill near the factory.

## Purely Personal.

Sumner Wells, buyer for the 1 M . Clark Grocery Co., is spending a fortnight's vacation at Sylvan Beach and other resorts.

Henry B. Fairchild left Thursday night for Sault Ste. Marie and will spend ten days on the fishing streams of the Upper Peninsula, going wherever inclination dictates.
J. M. Cook, the Grand Haven grocer, has sold his blind trotting stallion to Alvin Jackson, of that place. Mr. Cook found that a grocery store and a trotting horse do not go well in the same class.
Frank C. Hawkins, book-keeper for the Grand Rapids Packing \& Provision Co., left Saturday night for Chicago, where he will spend his fortnight's vacation. He is accompanied by his wife and son.
Willis Dimick, of Ithaca, N. Y.. is spending a few days in this city, the guest of his cousin, Harry D. Jewell. Mr. Dimick is favorably impressed with Grand Rapids and may conclude to take up his residence here.
H. J. Koopman, junior member of the firm of John Koopman \& Son, of Falmouth, was in town a couple of days last week. The firm conducts a general store, grist mill, saw and shingle mills, owning about $25,000,000$ feet of hardwood timber, which is being converted into lumber at the rate of about $3,000,000$ a year.

Chas. McCarty, the Lowell Poo Bah, was in town Monday on his way home from Macatawa Park. He says it it a matter of everlasting regret to him that he did not enter the lying match at the annual pienic of the Grand Rapids Retail Grocers' Association, as he is confident that his presence in the race would have precluded any competitor entering the same contest.
Monday was the twenty-fifth anniversary of the wedding of Frank J. Wurzburg, the Monroe street druggist. With an excellent wife and a family circle of eight happy, healthy children - which has never been invaded by the Angel of Death-Mr. Wurzburg enters upon his second quarter of a century of married life with calm resignation and ample assurance that he will yet live to celebrate his golden anniversary.

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THE ART OF GETTING THERE. In business, as in a foot race, there are always two ends to the procession. One gets there, the other does not. The comparison holds good, not only in results, but in reasons. The winner may secure the prize on his merits as a leg manipulator, or he may handicap his competitors and win in a hippodrome, but be that as it may, success secures applause and a silver cup. It is so in business, the man who succeeds is seldom cross examined as to his methods, and the fact of a stone front and a big bank account covers a multitude of sins. There is nothing in modern times that can redeem a reputation or give it a finish as can a greenback and a check book. In saying this we do not assume or imply that business success is impossible with a fair amount of conscience and au approximate regard for the ten commandments, but we wish to emphasize the point that the public mind is so keenly appreciative of results that it insists on lifting its hat to success without a care whether the winner is a sinner or a saint. No one needs to go out of the corporation in which he lives to know this. The measure of a man is not made by a legitimate tape line, but is nevertheless the popular yard measure. When the man who made his business a success retires from his ledger to his coffin, he is honored generally, not for what he carries with him, but for the bulk he leaves behind him, and in death and in life it is the money more than the man to which the public makes a crook in its marrow bones. Those, however who in the race are found at the tail end, are labelled as being "no good." Their biography is peppered with criticism, and as blanks in a lottery. They are disappointments and failures. Good qualities with no interests in the mint are overlooked, and no record of virtue or honor can compensate for the inability to "get there." With this sarcastic and fallacious sentiment served up as choice, diet on the public plate it ceases to be a surprise that the man who gorges on chicken should grow feathers, and that scores of men in business should have no higher aim in life than "getting there." It is perfectly right for a man to aim high, and to do his level best to make his business a success, but if he is morally indifferent as to the methods he uses, if his fortune should reach the upper story his soul is on the door mat. We cannot, of course, eliminate the ambition, but we can do a great deal with a broom in the methods. The law of legitimate success is based on integrity, industry, good judgment and presistent application. These are indispensable, and if they sometimes fail in making a fortune, they never fail in making a man. It is of this kind of stuff the national and individual character must be made and, to men on the threshold of business life their chances both of personal happiness and prosperity are dependent on their character. That uppermost, success can never demoralize a man, but that missing, there will be more money than man at the end of the race. In that sense, success is a misnomer, and "getting there" a case of suicide. Fred Woodrow.
Ignorance is the pasture ground of the lawyer and doctor.
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## Store Advice to Customers. From Dry Goods Bulletin. <br> From Dry Goods Bulletin.

Many storekeepers are frequently nonomers when the latter reply to custhey shall buy to eat, or to wear; particularly in frequent cases where the customer is undecided between two or three things. So far as eatables are concerned a good answer is to select that which is seasonable, and whenever it is done the customer usually says he was well satisfied at the proprietor's selection. Then it is always well for storekeepers to make a specialty of seasonable eatables, because such things when in season are far more palatable than when out of season. Then again it helps the farmers in the neighborhood; consequently when the latter learn that the storekeeper is mak ing a practice of recommending things just when they are ready for market, they will give that particular store their best trade, for with them it is merely a question of reciprocity.
With dry goods, shoes, ete., while the case differs somewhat, in a general sense the same rule should apply, if a fine udgment of appropriateness accom panies the advice. It is right here that many storekeepers retain a large class of customers which other stores asking lower prices for the same goods are unable
to get. And this is one of the secrets of the successful salesmen. Many store keepers think it the safer policy to be noncommittal when asked to decide for the customer, particularly if the pur chase is important or comparatively costly. But the weight of the evidence on both sides inclines the decision that it pays best to enter right into the feel ings of the customer and advise in accordance with all the circumstances which can be brought to bear on the question.
It is well to try it anyway, particular y where a certain taciturnity has long prevailed, there is so much room judgment, and the most skillful judgment in such matters, that storekeepers who have not already become proficient, in oth greatly interested in noting the effects of the adoption of such a policy. There is not one lady in ten who knows exactly what she wants when she is buying; she is frequently governed by the surrounding influences of the moment, and in consequence about as often buys what she does not want as what afterwards is cal
If the salesman really understands his business in such cases he has right here the whole field to himself to make a per manent and valuable customer. He must sink the faihions into some degree of appropriateness for the customer's circumstannes; while in other cases an extra fashion is calculated to give the more permanent satisfaction. A book might be filled with the details of how a salesman should act when his best advice is asked, but the limits of this ar ticle do not permit too many explana tions. The first point is never to deceive the customer under any circumstances; and next in importance is to be rank and above board and never advise the purchase of goods because the store wants to get rid of them; and, last of all, hever try to load up a customer with more goods than the customer can afford to purchase. Sharks advise otherwise we well know, and for a time seem to thrive in consequence, but if the sales man wishes to build up a permanen trade he must sincerely make his customers' interests his own.

## Card to the Public.

Grand Rapids, Aug. 29, 1892. Certain statements having been made derogatory to the character of Messrs Rowland \& Gauthier, growing out of the entry of bogus wrappers in our towel distribution, we take pleasure in stating, in justice to Mr. Gauthier, that a thorough investigation of the matter convinces us that Mr. Gauthier had nothing whatever to do with the attempt to im pose on our company, Mr. Rowland being solely responsible for same.
L. Winternitz, Gen'l Agt.

John Smyth, Grand Rapids Agt
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## MICHIGAN VS. COLORADO.

How the Grocery Business is Conducted in the Centennial State.
Written for The Tradesman
In answer to your letter of late date as to the difference in handling groceries and provisions in Colorado and in Michigan or Chicago, I would say I have had some new experiences in Colorado. My first impressions here were very unfa-vorable-to an Eastern traveling sales-man-but, after a residence of a year or more, I am of the opinion some branches of the retail grocery business is done, from a mathematical standpoint, to better advantage than at some.

All vegetables and fruits are sold by the pound or gallon. The words peck, half bushel or bushel are almost unknown, and I sometimes think the people from the East pay the long price for disclosing their former homes. It would probably seem quite strange to a Michigan traveling salesman to sample up his grip and have no green coffees. His line of sugars would be granulated (in 100 lb . sacks) and one or not to exceed two samples of C sugar. Very little cut loaf or powdered are used. Granulated sugar being about the chief sweetening, Confectioners' is entirely unknown. Pork in barrels is unheard of, or lard in tierces. Lard is put up in 50 pound and smaller cans, while hams, bacon, dried beef and picnics are put up in sacks. Barrels are a strange commodity here, boxes and sacks being the general run of packages. The bulk of dried fruits are from California or Utah. Michigan evaporated apples and quarters have a ready sale, while New York State and Michigan fall and winter apples are the highest standard. Kansas, Missouri and home grown apples have a tough skin and are very poor and tasteless. An Eastern housewife labors under a great many disadvantages as to cooking vegetables, especially onions and pork and beans. It takes an expert to cook either and have onions well done or beans well browned, a la Boston style. The water used and consumed is soft, all off the mountains. I have not washed in rain water or even seen a cistern since leaving Michigan. Flour is handled exclusively in cotton sacks and is a home grown Colorado product which is sold here by the hundred pounds and fractions thereof. The flour is very strong and makes an excellent loaf, being very spongy and not dry. California canned fruits, jellies and jams all have the preference. While some Eastern packs of corn, beans and tomatoes are consumed here, the bulk of all canned goods, either fruits or vegetables, are of Western pack; and, in selling, everything in the canned goods line is figured by the case, instead of by the dozen. The high altitude has its effect on a great many lines of goods as to shrinkage, cheese and fish more particularly. The bulk of the coffee trade is well-known Eastern brands of packages and cans. Price's and Royal baking powders and C. \& B. pickles have an immense sale.
A leading wholesale grocery house here is the Shields-Morley Grocery Co., and the Grand Rapids wholesalers would look with envy on their convenient office, salesroom and storehouse-a large, brick store $50 \times 180$ feet, three floors, with elevators and conveniences for shipping and receiving-facing the Rocky Mountains. The salesroom is finely furnished and stocked with samples of goods from every
clime and is under the management of former Grand Rapids jobber-John G. Shields, who is President and General Manager, ably supported by F. H. Mor ley, the Secretary, a relative of the wellknown Saginaw and Cleveland Morleys. Their trade extends away up in the mountains among the mining eamps and summer resorts and down on the plains where the hardy ranchman goes for miles for his bacon and tobaceo.
"Pike's Peak or bust" was the cry for this locality, even before the late war. Time has proved that the emigrant ran right away from the golden Eldorado. Eighteen miles from here is a well-de veloped gold camp and, with the advent of the iron horse and a little Eastern capital, Pike's Peak gold mines will be no myth and the hardy miner of to-day will eventually meet with the success due to Yankee pluck and hard labor.
The most surprising thing I notice here is the extra cost of fresh meats. When I mention 18 cents for sirloin steak and 14 cents for rib roasts, you may well wonder why this is considered a cattle raising section. Salt meats are sold at about Grand Rapids prices, while butter at 35 cents or fresh eggs at 30 cents are considered cheap. California fresh fruits bring big prices and home-grown small fruits are even worse. To-day 1 paid 25 cents a box for fresh blackberries. Wages are very low and some of the Michigan traveling boys would kick with a vengeance if they had to struggle against fate out here; but one thing we have and that is good, pure, mountain air and beautiful sunshiny weather, which offsets a great many of our other discomforts.
B. F. Emer

How to Keep Fine Cut Tobacco Moist. One who has had much experience in this line says: "The best moistener 1 ever had, and the only one I wound use,
is a double fold of heavy red flannel. place the dry side next the tobace? in the pail, and in the winter time dip my hand in water usually only once and not oftener than twice, and rub it over the upper fold of the flannel; the dry atmosphere of the store acts on this and never reaches the tobacco. The cloth can be removed and washed and dried as In the summer there is usually too much moisture in the atmosphere, and then I keep the fannel absolutely dry. If a pail of tobacco becomes dry but has not fermented, 1 can always bring it back into condition by turning it out, putting a dry fold of flannel round it, and moistening an outer fold to the same extent as already indicated, and leaving it in this way for two or three days. Fine cut water alone or any other combination."

## Hardware Price Current.

These prices are for cash buyers, who pay promptly and buy in full packages.

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## E. A. STOWE, Editor.

## WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER $7,1892$.

EVOLUTION IN TRANSPORTATION In the evolution of commerce the first demand is to increase the area of trade. For this purpose natural waterways are the most available as channels of transportation, and consequently population first spreads itself along the coasts of seas and lakes and upon the shores of navigable streams. People seldom remove far from such means of transpor tation and communication, unless tempted by mines of the precious metals and other such riches or advantages.
This is the history of the settlement of all new countries. But when settle ments are once established in the in terior the construction of artificial mean of communication at once becomes necessity. For this purpose canals or artificial waterways were first in demand, but the rise and development of railways have furnished a means of transportation so well suited to the requiremente of commerce that they have, to a great ex tent, superseded the ordinary canals, and although several of the most important are still maintained in use, it is not likely that any more canals for the ancient horseboat service will be constructed.
When, however, we come to ship ca nals, or cuttings through which larke vessels may pass and thereby have their voyages shortened or be enabled to deliver cargoes at an extreme destination without breaking bulk or trans-shipment, it may be said that the era of these important works is just coming into a deserved prominence. Too much cannot be said in favor of connecting seas, lakes, rivers and other such natural waterways by means of artificial cuttings, and the day is not distant when ships will be able to sail through the American isthmus from the Atlantic to the Pacific Ocean. There will also be a ship canal across the peninsula of Florida, and another across Cape Cod peninsula. Lake Ontario will be turned into the Hudson River and Lake Michigan will have an open waterway into the Mississippi River.

For the improvement of the means of intercommunication there is an obvious demand, for not only is the quick dispatch of merchandise desirable, but the
greatest economy of expense in effecting the transfer is also necessary. The most significant step of progress in the evolution of modern commerce is seen in the cheapering and speeding of transportation. It is this great increase of speed and rconomy that has cheapened the prices of most necessaries. At places far in the interior, through the blessings of cheap transportation and quick dispatch, the people are enabled to enjoy as daily indulgencies articles which for the lack of railroads were luxuries so costly as to be beyond the reach of any but the richest. There are not wanting persons who remember paying fifty cents per copy for eastern newspapers, and a dollar apiece for oysters in the shell, when those articles were brought at great expense and with much difficulty in the winter in sleighs or coaches on the overland stage routes to remote mining camps in the Rocky Mountains. To-day those places are reached by rail in palace cars and every luxury to be had anywhere is found there.
The stage coach which carried mails and passengers has given place to fast steam trains and the lumberiag wagons dragged by mules or oxen through muddy sloughs and over mountain ranges have been set aside for the through freight trains provided with refrigerator cars to carry to the most distant markets slaughtered meats and fresh fruits and vegetables. And with all this increase of speed there has been a corresponding increase of economy, for whatever other exactions commerce may endure, it will not bear high freight rates. And so in cheapening the prices of necessaries, the vast aggregations of capital invested in railways operate directly for the benefit of every consumer, every workingman.

## The Field of Gettysburg

is to the old soldier and the student the most interesting of all the earth's battle grounds. Those who go to Washiugton to attend the encampment of the G. A. R. tunity of visiting Gettysburg by taking the line of the Michigan Central, and the Northern Central, which includes a side
trip to Gettysburg either going or returntrip to Gettysburg either going or returnway of Philadelphia, all return tickets will be honored either via the short line or via Philadelphia, allowing stop-over
at Baltimore, Philadelphia and Harris at Baltimore, Philadelphia and Harris-
burg. The stop at Philadelphia will permit of a side trip to New York and re turn at the low rate of $\$ 4$.
During the summer season the Michi gan Central gives the privilege of stopping over at Niagara Falis at any time upon depositing it with the ticket agent there, affording a valuable opportunity to see the beauties of the great cataract and vicinity at leisure.
Tickets are also sold to Washington via Toledo and the lines south and east therefrom.
The Michigan Central is the shortest
therem. route, the best route, and offers induce ments that no other line can give. For any additional informationapplent or to J. S. Hall, Mich. Pass. Agent, Jackson, J. S. Hall, Mich. Pass. Agent, Jackson,
Mich.

## Correction as to Price.

Through an oversight on the part of The Tradesman, the price of Gillies \& Co.'s "Aroma" coffee was quoted in another portion of this week's paper at $171 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. It should be $181 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.
Gillies \& Co. have made a complete revolution in their scheme spices, having decided to put up nothing but pure goods hereafter.

Use Tradesman Coupon Books.

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The following laws were enacted at he special session of the legislature August 5 and 6 for the reapportionment of the state into senatorial and representative districts:


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wards of the city of Grand Rapids, and the townsh1ps of Tyrone, Solon, Nelson, Spencer, Sparta, Algoma, Courtland, Oaktield, Alpine, Plaintield, Byron, Gaines, Caledonia and Bowne, in the county of Kent.
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To apportion anew the representatives among
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Some Phases of the Labor Situation. A certain labor union in this city recently conceived the idea of increasing the scale of journeymen's wages from \$14 to $\$ 15$ per week, ignoring the fact that the scale at Kalamazoo, Muskegon and other competing points is $\$ 12$ per week. For the benefit of those who are not posted as to the exact meaning of the term "scale," it may be stated that it is an arbitrary figure, established by the unions, representing the minimum amount which may be paid a union workman. No matter how incompetent he may be, he must be paid the scale, and when he becomes so enfeebled by age or illness that he is unable to retain his position, either through competency or charity, he is crowded out of the race by younger members of the union and consigned to the charity of friends or the tender mercies of the poorhouse. As a matter of fact, thoroughly competent men never have to work for the scale, and in the trade above mentioned probably as many men were receiving \$15, \$16 and \$17 a week as those who received the scale price of $\$ 14$ per week. The employers declined to grant the demanded advance, on two grounds: (1) The condition of the business did not warrant any change in the present rate of wages and (2) the men whe were worth more than $\$ 14$ were receiving more, regardless of the established scale. The union thereupon appointed a committee of a dozen workmen -some of them of pronounced anarchic views-and a committee of the employ ers gave them a respectful hearing, but firmly declined to grant any advance over the existing rate of wages. A written proposition, embodying the demands of the union, was then sent to the employers, and was promptly laid on the table. An organizer from the national organization was then summoned by telegraph and came on from Louisville. He established himself in state at a firstclass hotel-within convenient distance of the bar-and summoned some of the refractory employers to appear before him. No one appeared, and he was compelled to humiliate himself by calling on the obstinate gentlemen in person, but without result. A meeting was subsequently arranged between the organizer and a committee from the union on one side and a committee of the employers on the other, when a proposition was made that the emyloyers concede the advance to $\$ 15$ and reduce the men who were receiving $\$ 16$ and $\$ 17$ to $\$ 15-$ to even the thing up. This proposition was so warmly supported by the organizer and his committee that an agreement was reached at once. The organizer then demanded that the employers sign the scale, which they firmly declined to do. He then peremptorily informed the committee that he was authorized to insist on the signing of the scale or declare a strike, but he subsequently cowed down and informed the committee that he would not insist on the signing of an agreement. When asked if he thought it was not unjust to reduce the wages of competent men, in order to raise the wages of incompetent men beyond their earning capacity, he remarked that the "Good men can take care of themselves," or words to that effect. The result of the readjustment of wages is undoubtedly a net gain to the employers, but the workmen whose wages are cut down by the action of their organizer are loud in denunciation of his arbitrary methods
and some of them threaten to secede from an organization which relentlessly barters away the rights of the competent man in the attempt to secure unmerited compensation for the incompetent. These men are bound by an iron-clad oath, however, and in all probability they will continue to be led around by the nose until they are engulfed in the impending wreck of unionism.

No competent workman is compelled to join the forces of unionism to secure remunerative employment, but the slovenly, incompetent and unreliable workman almost invariably allies himself with an oath-bound organization, knowing that the influence of the union will be exerted to hold his wages above his honest earning capacity, no matter how much the competent workman may have to suffer by reason of this artificial forcing process.

The significance of "Iabor day," to the average trade unionist, is conclusively shown by a glance at the official programme, published by the Central Labor Union, which contains the cards of over sixty saloons and liquor dealers. The inauguration of this nonsensical holiday in 1888 witnessed more drunkenness than was ever seen on the streets of Grand Rapids on any similar occasion and the ratio of intemperance appears to increase each year, the event of each succeeding season culminating in a saturnalia of drunkenness and disorder.

The incongruity of designating the autumnal celebration of Bacchus "labor day" will be conceded when it is remembered that only a small portion of the laboring men of the country are permitted to participate in the event-the privilege of walking in the procession being accorded only to those poor dupes who have taken an oath which arbitrarily and absolutely governs their future conduct and deprives them of their liberty and every attribute of freedom, binding them hand and foot, body and soul, to the despotic exactions of the walking delegate, master workman, strike committee and district organizer. Such distinctions tend to create class feeling-to array elique against clique and clan against clan-thus encouraging and maintaining a warfare which ought to be discouraged by every honest man and patriotic citizen.

## Gripsack Brigade.

John N. Loucks has returned from Ottawa Beach and will resume his former position as traveling representative for J. L. Strelitsky.
T. M. Sims, who has represented the Thompson \& Taylor Spice Co., of Chicago, for the past four months, has severed his connection with that house.
J. H. Webster, Michigan representative for H. H. Cooper \& Co., clothing manufacturers at Utica, N. Y., was in town a couple of days last week, leaving Saturday for his home in Owosso.
H. C. Booth, junior member of the firm of Beach \& Booth, proprietors of the New Kent, is an old traveling man, having covered the retail trade of Connecticut and Massachusets nine years for Bennet, Sloan \& Co., jobbers of fancy groceries and grocers' sundries at New York City. Mr. Booth is a man of pleasant address and rare ability as an entertainer, as many representatives of the fraternity have already ascertained by stopping with him.

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Among the manifold items of advice tendered in print, referring to the relations between dealer and customer, politeness is mentioned as the principal means of building up and retaining a profitable business. Each writer has, no doubt, in view some living exemplification of his ideal Chesterfield. This may not consist so much in language, action or dress; though each is a part of what may prove attractive to most people. Outside of all this there is a certain subtle something which no writer can describe or account for, that goes into the make up of a truly popular salesman and may easily be recognized by nearly everyone at first sight. When once noticed or felt, however, it remains a permanent impression of such a pleasing nature that one is always glad to duplicate the favorable sensation at the earliest opportunity.
The men of whom the above may be truthfully asserted constitute the army of commercial progress that singly and sometimes in squads attack the outposts of country dealers, and by their genial, good-humored way of putting things win in the great majority of engagements.
This much in passing is due to the traveling man, the true business pioneer, who at first is coldly received, being only partially understood; but later on proves himself an apostle of courtesy, and a friend whose regular visits are gladly welcomed. If here and there one of a different manner is encountered, the exception serves to bring out in brighter contrast the sterling character of those who, as a whole, maintain the honor of the guild.
Politeness is a virtue not always easy to practice in this age when so many customers are a continual provocation to the exercise of an opposite manner. Too many are in the habit of considering one who sells goods as a common enemy, whom it is lawful to circumvent, even at the expense of truth. They accordingly decry the quality of goods, hector, contradict and abuse the one who for the time happens to be the unfortunate victim to their bad manners. In the face of false statements made to serve a purpose, or coarse, insulting insinuations, the average dealer or clerk deserves all the credit he receives for keeping his equanimity under pressure. But when people of a higher moral tone equally lacking the spirit of true courtesy use their whims and perverse fancies as scorpion
whips to goad the hard-worked employes who vainly attempt to please, the Mark Tapley of trade becomes a conspicuous figure entitled to special merit.
Among the large number who in the way of business are brought in contact with the public, politeness finds expression in various ways. Yet the ways of some who really mean to please do not always attract nor conciliate. I once
knew the proprietor of a large hotel who threw into every action a palpable effort to be agreeable; but he succeeded in being a bore of the first magnitude-making his guests uncomfortable in proportion to their differing degrees of sensitiveness, and provoking the sarcastic comments of a few to whom every human peculiarity is lawful game. Another who carried about him more suavity to the square inch than even Beau Brummel of olden fame, found it wasted on the public, because all could see that it was too constrained and unnatural for the genuine article. The first had no tactthe last lacked the germ of courtesy, which is sincerity. Even the roughness of him who means well showing it to be inbred is preferred to either of the samples described.

The quiet, even-tempered business man with no pretense to polish can win the approval of the public where pompous and overbearing civility is sure to fail. He will also have an advantage over the one whose politeness is for revenue only, and whose business tag is visible through all of his pretense. For, like a garment, genuine courtesy looks best on the person that it best fits. As in the different shades of color in the garment it proclaims the tone of the wearer as well as his personality.
No refinement of manner, however, can gild a bargain in the eye of a purchaser the second time if the goods first bought have not proved to be as represented. In the competition of seasonable or fashionable goods the tendency is in advertising, to tempt the customer by statements that, while technically true, create a false impression and pave the way to disappointment. The gilt of polite behavior cannot make these varnished temptations always pass current in open market. When found lacking in the intrinsic value of truthfulness they are often discounted more than the alloy really denotes, because of the damage done to confidence. The most important thing is to have whatever is done or said in the way of good feeling or kindly personal attention be at the time just what it is intended to seem.
After all, the successful prosecution of business does not depend on the civility shown to customers. They are not, in the main, governed by sentimental considerations when making purchases. In many stores where the largest sales are made no one has time to stand on ceremony. The graces are neglected for the all-important question of cheapness. Self-interest is the drawing card, added to the momentum with which a prosperous trade gathers increasing patronage.
I have in view a dealer who has the manner of a chestnut burr. He has a wide reputation for being a rough diamond, and thus attracts many customers who desire to become personally acquainted with this modern Petruchio of commerce, whose language even, is rugged with lapses into profuse Saxon. Yet his lack of polish seems to be a passport to public favor, if the volume of trade is
any index; since in no other point does he surpass any of his competitors.
The influence of refinement and surface polish upon trade is felt mostly in ertain lines, and to a limited degree as an incidental attraction. It is not the main feature that dominates the avenue o commercial success. But when business is conducted wholly through personal contact and solicitation the best manners and most polished address win against all competitors.
In this money getting age men often forget, in the rush for wealth, gems by the wayside that, if seen and gathered, would enrich the possessor by making his material gains more available for permanent happiness. The small courtesies that smooth the asperities of tradethe sterling honesty of purpose that would rather give or lose than take another's disadvantage-the spirit of fair ness that conquers self-the sweet charity that places in needy hands unnum bered and unrecorded gifts, prompted alone by an impulse that knows no change through fear or hope of rewardand above all an unfaltering belief that whatever happens in the vicissitudes o commercial life, the right way as blazed by conscience is the only true way to final success-these are the "gems of purest ray serene" without which no busknowledge and insight into human nature beyond the ordinary, is perfectly equipped for his calling.
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## SCIENTIFIC SHOPPING

A Man Accompanies His Wife on a Purchasing Tour.
From the New York News.
Of course it goes without saving that the unhappy side of my picture refers to places that do not advertise. With this introd
I have often :wondered why, when my good wife returned from a shopping tour, ghe always looked as if she had been drawn through a knot-hole, and why she was as cross as a saw-buck, and why she invariably appeared as if she wished she had a dozen children, so that she could turn them end for end and impress upon their minds and bodies the fact that she was the warmest friend they had in the world Whenever these returns have word. in I have invariably wandered come in I have invariably wandered away, permitting her to have the house to herself, knowing full well that it was no place for me, and that, as we are cautioned in Central Par
monkey with the animals.
monkey with the animals.
I have solved the problem, and I hereI have solved the problem, and I here
with present the elucidation for the benefit of my brothers in misfortune who may not know exactly how, when or where to switch off a cyclone that is heading straight for them, without going down into their cellar or scooting for the woods.
The lady of whom I write is of a naturally timid disposition, except when she is in my company, and knows that noshe's hauling me over the coals, and she has doubtless, therefore, been greatly imposed upon and snubbed by salesladies with whom she was compelled to come into contact. In order to ascertain if she really had any cause for her ebullitions realer in post-shopping seances, of temper in post-shoppied scheme a few days ago which settled the whole diffidays ago whe satisfaction of our to dobut ton family, and if I ever appear in pub ton family, and if I ever appear in public again with my temper or eye rumed, it will be because she has broken out in a fresh spot, has forgotten her experience with me and mislaid her promise to be good.
The scheme was this, to wit: The somewhat prodigal use of our apparel had rendered rehabilitation absolutely necessary, and she wanted some new dress goods, shoes and so forth, and I required a summer suit, hat, etc., in order that I might flash a becoming presence upon a busy-body world that would not mistake my shabbiness for eccentricity and might imagine that I had been playing the wrong horse.
Said I: "This talk about tiresome shop ping, as an excuse for barbed-wire temper, is all fol-de-rol. I don't come home that way when I've been doing chores. Now, when you go shopping the next time I'll go with you. 1'll note everything you have to contend with. The next day you go with me, and note my experiences. Then we'll compare notes, and organize a swear-off association.'

The motion was put and carried unanimously. The next day we started out. It was wife's day, and this is what I saw:
We entered a dry goods store. There were a million women, and if 1 underestimate the number, it is because I was dazed at the sight. Not a woman of them appeared to see any other woman in the store. They walked with their elbows unfurled, as if they were taking their first lessons in flying and were trying to get there first, in order to win the prize. They pushed, and shoved, and rushed, and dashed, and were wild-eyed and frenzied-looking. One in a hundred purchased.
"I reckon the place is afire, and we'd better get out," I whispered to my wife. She vouchsafed me a withering smile and said: "Bargain counter! Hurry along, or we won't get any!"
She took my hand and pulled me toward the Mecea where crash towels were selling at the ruinous sum of five cents per crash. She grabbed six of them, and just as she was telling a haughty-looking princess behind the counter that she'd taken them, another woman grabbed them from her hand. She made a reach for more, but, presto. the counter wis swept as clean as a pie-
plate that the pet of the family has chaperoned.
The disappointed members of the congregation looked at each other and scowl ed and set their teeth firm and hard. Suddenly we were almost carried off our feet by a rush in another direction. We got there involuntarily. Women stood five deep around the counter. They were shrieking:
"Is there a skirt to match this waist?"
"Is there a waist to match this skirt?"
Will the goods wash?"
The girl behind the counter shouted back, at all points of the compass, and not at anybody in particular: "I don't know, madam;" "I'll see, madam;" "I think they're all gone, madam.
They were selling muslin suits for $\$ 1.49$, and they were going with a bang. Only the women with the longest arms and shrillest voices got there. Some got misfits, but everything went, and then they handed over what they had grabbed, together with the money, and waited for their change and parcel. In the meantheir changerg parch. out of their places, and when the change and parcel showed up they were far, far away. They finally connected, however, and unwrapped their parcels. Some of them had suits that would do as sore them had suits that would do as sore throat bandages, while some little women had sentry-box fits. After awhile matters were straightened out to everybody's satisfaction, and, scowling at each other, and dealing in women's swear words, they melted away in search of more bargains.
Material for a dress was finally obained. It was of India silk, and cost fifty cents per yard. Twelve yards were procured. That cost $\$ 6$, as wifey said she wanted something cheap to summerize in. Tien I summarized.
"Now I must get some lining for it," she said.
She obtained eight yards of silk lining, at fifty cents per yard. I suggested that as they cost the same, the India busines could be used as lining, and could be built on the double back action plan, so that she could turn the dress on alternate days. She reminded me that I had promised to keep my door closed, and I shut up. She then proceeded to the lace counter, and purchased ten yards of lace at a bargain. That cost her $\$ 8.90$, as the bargain puice was eighty-nine cents per yard Then she purchased five yard of ribbon, at twenty cents per yard, and the buttons, sewing-silk and whalebones cost her \$1
"How much is it going to cost you to have that dress made?" I gasped.
"Ten dollars," she answered, glibly.
"Holy cucumbers!" said I; "the orig inal material cost $\$ 6$; the trimming and decorations and making, $\$ 24.90$; to tal, $\$ 30.90$. Jewhittaker! If that ain' like buying a $\$ 10$ umbrella to cover a $\$ 4$ suit of clothes, I'll chew my shoes.
She withered me again, for she was getting hot under the collar. She hadn' been able to get exactly what she had wanted. The princess at each counte had bulldozed her by telling her that this or that desired article wouldn't suit her complexion, was out of style or wouldn't match. The trusting woman had not dropped to the racket that per haps the thing she wanted wasn't in stock. She finally, however, obtained all that she desired there, and we were el bowed out to the sidewalk at a gait the reverse of slow. sidewalk at a gait the I had noticed
Thad noticed that the shop-girls, alias salesladies, were not Chesterfieldian in Were 1 a shop-girl, I imagined that Were 1 a shop-girl, 1 imagined that would carry a club always on tap up my sleeve, and, as 1 world biff when sass customers, 1 would biff when they weren't looking, and blame lit on some other woman. A shop-girl's life is not happy one, and they have to rub up against some rare specimens. On the other hand, 1 had noticed that they snubbed only the timid, fluttering wome and kept off the grass when they braced up against a woman with trouble in her eye.
I had also noticed that most of the women carried parasols, or unbrellas, and that they were in for war. They all around them, and thus kept would-be trespassers at a safe distance.

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I had also noticed that it was hot nough to melt an electric fan, and that most of the women were in the same condition.
We then proceeded to a shoe depart ment. Wifey wanted No. 2 C. It's foot that caught me in my courting days, and there are bunions or corns on it. A 2 C fits it to perfection, with just enough room left to give its lungs good working capacity. The saleslady had evidently just had a catch-as-catch-can wrestle with a trouble-in-her-eye woman, for there was a cat-with-a-pompadour-back expression on her face. At first she took no notice of the new customer, and finally asked what was wanted. She was informed. The lady of my house undressed her foot
"I think that a 3 B would suit you betMy " said the attendant.
My wife wavered.
"It will make your foot look more slender. It will look too clumpy in a $c, "$ said the maiden.
"If you haven't any 2 C's perhaps we can obtain them somewhere else,"I mildly suggested.
Hully gee! 1 had put my foot in $1 t$ ! The ruleress of all the Russias gave me an icecream-freezer look, and I could feel the cold chills wiggle up my spine.
"Excuse me!" she said. "We don't sell men's shoes here!"
I excused her but forgot to tell her so. I couldn't find words to express my ideas. My wife finally obtained a pair of shoes that exactly suited her taste, as suggested by the North Polaress, and for fear that the latter might go for me again, I said that I'd wait outside until my wife had closed the negotiation. I must admit that I went and took a drink to quiet my nervousness. We then went to a glove department. A pair of $5 \frac{1 / 4}{}$ chamois gloves, buff in color, and of the mousquetaire brand were desired. The lady behind the bar insisted that white was the proper caper and $5 \frac{1}{2}$ the correct size. What she said went. Some underclothes were purchased while I was across the street seeing what time it was. We had expended four hours of valuable time, and the following items of valuable mon ey:

## Dress and trimmings, with making in

 ShoUndergarments, two suits-silk
Total
My wife was tired and the least bit vexed. I did not wonder at it. She had been pulled, hauled and pummeled by sister shoppers and inveigled into purchasing what she did not want by tired-of-life saleswomen and oh-for-a-husband chits.

Now we'll go and have something to eat," said I mollifyingly.
"Let's go to one of your places," said she, pleadingly.

This is your day," said I, firmly-comparatively so, for I hadn't yet recovered from my last shock, and I saw a don't-touch-the-animals storm brewing.
We went into a place exclusively pat ronized by female shoppers and thei male companions. Scores of women were eating lobster salad and ice-cream, pickles and cake. Here and there an oyster stew and a cup of tea kept com-pany-thermometer ninety-four - while some had a sandwich and an oyster patty. My wife was too tired to eat, I too frightened. She ordered a sandwich and a glass of milk. I followed suit. The sandwich was of about the length and breadth of a paper of fine-cut, and about as thick as a paper cutter. They charged us eight cents apiece for the wafers and five cents apiece for the paled water While we were fooling our expectant stomachs, I looked over the bill of fare. The patties, the size of our boyhood pork pies, were nineteen cents-catch the bargain counter idea?-oyster stew-good-nineteen cents; tea or coffee eight cents; half a roast chicken, thirty-nine cents; raw oysters, nineteen cents; glass of hot water-think of it!--five cents, etc., etc., etc.

We were both tired out and we started for home.

Do you wonder that I am a little bit out of sorts when I get home from a shopping tour?"' asked wifey.

I shook hands with her and told her wondered that there was a picket on our ence
The next day we started out to encase the Lord of the Manor in fresh habili ments. We entered a populous clothingstore. The obsequious clerk approached us and I told him what I wanted. The store was doing a rushing trade, but he took us at once to a counter. I got a $\$ 20$ suit of clothes in less time than it takes to tell it. One or two alterations were to be made, and they were made while I waited. I purchased two neglige hirts at $\$ 2.50$ apiece. I obtained six pairs of stockings at forty cents per pair straw hat for seventy-five cents; a pair of shoes for $\$ 3$, and two ties at fifty cents per tie. My wife was seated near a window, and when I tapped her on the shoulder, she said:

Don't be in a hurry. Take all the time you want. I'm enjoying mysel ooking at the passers-by."

Lovens-tovens!" said I, "I'm through." When are you going to buy your other hings?" she asked.
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She gasped.
Now, we'll go and get something to at, my plan," I said.
We went to a restaurant, and while me made away with a half broiled hicken and fixings, I settled the hash of he other half.
We had all we could eat and it cost xactly one dollar.
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I had clothes enough to last 15 Summer, and had paid $\$ 32.15$ for them. My wife had purchased enough for one hange and the bill had been $\$ 53.90$. If he should wear her dress more than he back and making it over again, the the back and making it over again, the her and say that her husband ought to stop drinking and pay more attention to stop drinking and pay more attention to I can wear my suit every day until Sepember and then hide it under an over coat until snow-shovels are ripe. If my friends would ask me, "Where was he fire?"' or gently hint that I'd robbed a bank. Next year my wife's silker will be in the soup, and probably the scullion will be wearing it. I'll have mine scrubbed, and they'll carry me through another summer as second-best.
It required four hours to worry through tores and defend ourselves against slaughter in order to purchase my wife's trappings. It took me half an hour to et exactly what I wanted ifey.
"One dollar!" I answered.
"Women shouldn't fight for the right to vote," she said, placidly; "they should nsist upon the other rights that men have. Equal rights in things necessary to life and happiness."
I patted her on the back and told her hat if I had been alone my meal would have cost me nothing. That with a glass of beer, or a milk punch, or any othe beverage I desired, I could obtain soups roast beef, ham, turkey, cheese, pickles oysters, crackers, olives, and almost any charge, by going to a first-class cafe charge, by going to a first-class ca
She sighed and I reciprocated.
She sighed and I reciprocated.
Why in thunder is it that they don't give women free lunches with ice cream or soda water, and why in the
not women treated as men are?

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$10: 30 \mathrm{pm}$ TO AND FROM SAGINAW, ALMA AND ST. LOUIS. Lv. GR 7:20am 4:15pm Ar. G R. 11:50am 10:40pm to lowell via lowell \& Hastings r, r. Lv. Grand Rapids
Ar. from Lowell 7:20am 2:00pm 5:40pm THROUGH CAR SERVICE. Parlor Cars orr all day trains between Grand
Rapids and Detroit. Wagner Sleepers on night trains. Parlor cars to Saginaw on morning train. *Every day. Other trains week days only.
GEO. DeHAVEN, Gen. Pass'r Ag't.

The Hardware Market.
Wages-Now that this all-important question has been settled in almost all of the manufacturing districts, the hands of labor are nearly all busy. Nail mills, iron mills, steel mills and glass factories are again all busy.

Wire Nails-The starting up of nearly all of the mills has, as yet, made no change in the price; but it has enabled dealers to get full assortments again. Prices at mill rule $\$ 1.65$ to $\$ 1.70$ and from store $\$ 1.80$ to $\$ 1.90$.

Cut Nails - The demand continues light and prices remain as usual.
Bar Iron-In this commodity it was getting to be impossible to keep up assortments, as none of the mills had much stock on hand but, now that they have commenced opperations, jobbers will soon be in shape to fill all orders promptly.
Sheet Iron-The inability of dealers to get their iron has been the cause of great inconvenience to the trade, as stove selling has begun and everybody wants sheet iron. Not a sheet mill was in operation during July and August, and it has been an impossibility for the jobber to keep up his stock. The mills now promise to do all they can to catch up on their orders, but it will be fully a month before stocks will be complete.

Window Glass - The resumption of some and soon of all glass factories is beginning to be felt by making it much easier to keep up sizes. No change in price has yet been made. Discount by the box is 80 per cent. to 80 and 10 .

Tin Plate-Quiet and no change to note in prices.

Galvanized Iron-At this time of the year is in great demand. The discount is 60 and 10 to 65 per cent. In large purchases this price could be bettered.

Stones-In all lines of oil stones there has been going on, for more than a year, a gradual absorption of all the stone quarries into the hands of one company. In many instances prices have been doubled. The following prices represent the market:


Lead Pipe-Owing to the weakness of pig lead, the price on lead pipe is off a little. The price is now 5e per pound in full coils.

Chain-As logging operations will soon begin, dealers have commenced to make inquiries for chain. The following prices rule, for small orders
Proof......
B B test'd
B B B


## From Out of Town.

Calls have been received at The Tradesman office during the past week from the following gentlemen in trade.

## J. Koopman \& Son, Falmouth.

A. Purchase, South Blendon.

Geo. E. Burley, Canada Corners.
Geo. Schichtel \& Co., New Salem,
J. L. Covey, Reno.

Chas. McCarty, Lowell.
White \& Fairchild, Boyne City.
A good way to make tramps mend their ways is to make them mend the public highways. If every tramp were compelled to earn a meal before he got it, by preparing enough macadam to flx even one bad rut, there would be fewer bad places on the road or fewer tramps on it.

DO NOT FAIL TO VISIT

## BELLNAPP, BAKER \& CO:S

Exclusiue Carriage Repository

AND INSPECT THEIR LINE OF

## Carriages,

Surreys, Phaetons,受 Buggies.
$5 \& 7 \mathrm{~N}$. IONIA ST.,
Grand Rapids, Mich.

## Mlasuis Fiuit dars

Note the extreme low prices at which we are now offering our Mason's Porcelain Lined Fruit Jars.
Don't lose any orders as there is a good profit at the price, and the demand has always been heavier than the supply at this season.
Pints have same size mouth as quarts.

| MASON'S | DANDY |
| :---: | :---: |
| Moyd's Porcelain | Best Jars with |

 Pints................ 675 Plnts .. Half galion ........ 9 no 90 Quarts Hailons
No charge for package or cartage. Fruit Jars shipped on receipt of order Price guaranteed.
H. LEONARD \& SONS, Grand Rapids,

Mich.

## CHAS. А. GOYE,

## Amiulus d "nits

Horse and Wagon Covers,
JOBBERS OF
Hammocks and Cotion Ducks
SEND FOR PRICE LIST.
11 Pearl 8t., Grand Rapids, Mich.
STANWOOD \& CO.,
Gloucester, Cape Ann, Mass. RECEIVE
Macierele, Colisish, Hepring And All Kinds of Salt Water Fish DIRECT FROM THE FISHERMEN.

Represented in Michigan by J. P. Visner, 167 North Ionia St., Grand Rapids, Mich., who will be pleased to quote bottom prices that first-class
stock can be offered at by any producer or curer ENGRAVING
It pays to fllustrate your business. Portraits,
Cuts of Business Blocks, Hotels, Factories Cuts of Business Blocks, Hotels, Factories, Machinery, etc., made to order from photo
graphs.
THE TRADESMAN COMPANY, Grand Rapids, Mich.
 Hides, Furs, Wool \& Tallow,

NOS. 122 and 224 LOUIS STREET, GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN. WE CAARET A STOCK OF CAKE TATIIOW FOR MTLI, USE.

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## OYSTHRS

Will again this year, as in the past, be the very best procurable and packed daily from the sweetest and best stock. Regular season opens Sept. 15. Start in with us and do the Oyster business of your town.

## THE PUTNAM CANDY CO.



## The Game Laws

## OF THE

## Statto of Michigan

Say that "Jack Snipe, Red Headed, Blue Bill-Canvas Back, Widgeon Pin Tail Ducks and Wild Geese, may be killed between September 1st and May 1st. Other wild fowl and snipe between September 1st and January 1st."

The above will undoubtedly be read with much interest by all fond of duck shooting, and it will also be interesting for them to know we have an assortment of first quality DECOY DUCKS, representing Mallards, Red Heads, Blue Bills and Teals.

Success in duck shooting is assured when correct decoys are used and we have them. A coat is also quite a necessary feature in the outfit of a sportsman, and we can show you the best in the market.


## Barnard Shooting Goats

Are made of canvas. The game pocket extends all the way around the skirt and is divided into three sections with a separate entrance to each. There are four shell, two breast and a whistle pocket. The shoulder pieces are padded to prevent the gun when carried on the shoulder, from bruising it. The sleeves are cut in such a manner as to allow the raising of the arms in shooting without lifting the load of game and shells. We claim that the

## Barnard Shooting Goat will wear Longer,

Is nearer waterwroof and comes closer reaching perfection than any shooting coat we know of. Cheaper coats do not compare with it.

MICHIGAN BARK \& LUMBER CO.,


1* and 19 Wid icomb Building.
We are now ready to make contracts for the season of 189?. Correspondence solicited.

## TICTY, HEPROLSHEMENER \& CO.

 W HOLESALE Dry Goods, Carpots and Cloaks.We Make a Specialty of Blankets, Quilts and Live Geese Feathers.
Mackinaw Shirts and Lumbermen's Socks overalls of our own manufacture.
Voigt, Herpolsheimer \& CO., 48, 80, $\begin{gathered}\text { Grand Rapids. } \\ \text { Rapa }\end{gathered}$

## GOLD MEDAL FINECUT

Is a Winner. Don't forget the price,
-- 18 C.--Ball-Barnhart-Putman Co.

## Spring \& Company,

IMPORTERS AND WHOLESALE DEALERS IN
Dress Goods, Shawls, Cloaks, Notions, Ribbons, Hosiery, Gloves, Underwear, Woolens, Flannels, Blankets, Ginghams, Prints and Domestic Cottons.
We invite the attention of the trade to our complete and well assorted stock at lowest market prices.

## Spring \& Company.

N. B. Clark \& Co

You can take your choice or тwo or r"!
Best Flat Opening Blank Books
 GRAND RAPIDS B00K BINDING CO., 29-31 Canal St., Grand Rapids, Mich.


Cradker Chests. Glass Covers for Biscuits

$T^{\text {HeSE chests will soon }}$
pay for themselves in the breakage they avoid. Price $\$ 4$.

OUR new glass covers are by far the handsomest ever offered to the trade. They are made to fit any
of our boxes and can be changed of our boxes and can be changed from
one box to another in one box to another in a moment They will save enough good from flies, dirt and prying fingers in a short time to pay for themselves. Try them and be convinced. Price, 50 cents each.

## NEW NOVELTIES.

We call the attention of the trade to the following new novelties:

CINNAMON BAR.

## CREAM CRISP.

NEWTON, a rich finger with fig filling. This is bound to be one of the best selling cakes we ever made.

THE NEW YORK BISCUIT CO., S. A. Sears, Mgr.

GRAND RAPIDS.

## OUR PAMOUS oulus sulumg SPGCILITIES.



Lamp Retails for $\$ 1,25$, This solid brass Lamp. nited, whick bas always been out of reach of the ordinary buyer, retailing anywhere from \&2.50 to 83.50 each is now controlled by us in such quan-
tities that it is offered to the retail trade at above figures. tities that it is offered to the retail trade at above figures.
Dealers can make agood profit. Ask for quotations on our
No. 202 Nickel Plated Parlor Lamp. Umbrella shades and holders to fit, retail for 35 ceach .


Retrail Price, \$2.37. With decorated. 14 inch Dome of our incomparable assortments as shown on our lithographed sheets. We are positively showing the best value of any lamp manufacturer this season, find prices are for our sheets and prices. Send for catalogue No. 108.


Vase Lamps \& Shades $\begin{gathered}\text { To maten are proving the } \\ \text { ning card of the season. }\end{gathered}$ One Retail Dealer Reports the sale of 24 Barrels Of our assortments in August. Our lamps are positively the
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