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The Journal office is connected by telephone with Grand Rapids and all its exchanges.

—Speaking of the wonders accomplished by a prohibitory law in a prohibition state, the editor of the Clinton County Republican, from personal knowledge, says: "In prohibition Maine the editor of the Republican found seven saloons in a half hour's walk, and in Old Orchard Beach, the same state, visited two saloons and was informed there were seven in the village. It has about 500 inhabitants. This is the way prohibition prohibits in Maine, as anyone can easily ascertain who will honestly investigate the question."

—"Robert Bonner, of the New York Ledger, is at Ypsilanti, this state, taking mineral baths." 'Twas night. Darkness spread over the mooning sea like a great pall. Hark! A shriek is heard in the bath! Bonner turned on too much hot water and his leg is parboiled to the very knee. Ah—whence cometh who? [The balance of this thrilling story may be found in the New York Ledger, if anywhere. For sale by all news dealers.]

—A New York firm—Williams & Gunn—failed Friday for \$2,000,000. The very same day a man entered this office and paid two years in advance for the JOURNAL. And that's the way the world goes. Some are failing and others are going up the ladder of wealth two rounds at every jump.

—According to the Newyago Republican the recent greenback conference held at that place was not of sufficient importance to make a fuss over. It afforded a little fun for a few spectators and gave the illustrious speakers a chance to rehearse their pieces to each other. Nutter glorious victory!

—Sumner Howard, of Flint, is not yet Utah's Chief Justice. Perhaps he will turn up a new plate and wait for another plum.

—Congressman Cutcheon's maiden speech in congress was on the Fitz John Porter bill. He sat down on Porter like a thousand (1,000) of brick.

JOURNAL JOTTINGS.

Kirk & Stark will occupy the corner building in the Lyon block.

The Solomon Comedy Co. at Train's Hall four nights, beginning to-night.

Joseph Wilson Post thanks everybody who assisted in putting on the Spy of Shiloh.

W. B. Rickett wants all who owe him to pay him now. He's been through the fire.

Clio had a \$10,000 fire Monday, but, hang Clio, Lowell's ahead of her in everything else.

J. Q. Look expects in a few weeks to have his drug store in the Lyon block east of Howard & Pease.

Dr. C. L. Henderson, a well known physician and long time resident of Grand Rapids, died last Wednesday.

Several Lowell people saw Rhea in Grand Rapids last week and called it a Rhea treat.

Died.—At his home, in Alaska, Jan. 10, 1884, Henry B. Marsh, aged 44 years; of rheumatism of the heart.

Representatives Stuart, Peck and Sexton, of the Grand Rapids press, were in Lowell Saturday after fire-water—items.

Lost.—On Friday a milk box, between Steele's corners and Lowell. Finder will be rewarded by leaving at John Giles.

S. P. Hicks and J. W. Hine attend the Grand encampment of the G. A. R. at Detroit to-day and to-morrow, as delegates from Joseph Wilson Post.

Capt. J. L. Smith, of Rockford, a well known man and politician, dropped dead on the street last Friday afternoon. In the late war he was a captain in the 6th Mich. Cavalry.

The W. C. T. U. will meet with Mrs. C. T. Moore Friday p. m. Mrs. A. S. Benjamin, president of the 5th congressional dist. of the W. C. T. U. will be present. She will also speak at Music Hall in the evening.

Mrs. A. S. Benjamin, president of the 5th Congressional district W. C. T. U. will lecture on the subject of temperance at Music Hall on Friday evening of this week. Admission free and all cordially invited to attend.

Johnnie Buckley, P. O. delivery clerk, says if those having letters to other

the office is closed will leave them at Train's Hotel, he will call and get them at 9 p. m. every night until further notice.

Editor Potts of the Saranac Local held the ruins here Saturday.

The fire losses fall heavily on some of the losers.

There is another wooden row. Only a question of time.

The "Esmeralda Co." had a big house at So. Boston and did finely.

Meller intends to resume business as soon as he can find a suitable place.

Had the fire occurred at night the losses would have been much greater.

For the credit and safety of the village put up no more wooden buildings on the business streets!

The telephone poles and wires downed by the fire were promptly replaced.

"Hello," as usual.

C. R. Hine had one side of his face and neck quite badly scorched by the flames.

The post-office company will probably begin soon to prepare a foundation for a brick post-office building on the old site. Let us hope so.

That portion of the wooden row on the bridge that escaped the late fire sits on the ragged edge, waiting to be cremated. Only a question of time.

H. W. Booth received a slight paralysis stroke a few days ago and, although able to be out, is very weak and must go slow to avoid more serious results.

Farmers Institute in Grand Rapids next Monday and Tuesday. J. Mathewson, Esq. of Lowell is announced to give an address on "high breeding of horses." The program is an interesting one.

We are requested to announce that the Ladies Waltz Club will give their first party of the season at Music Hall on Friday night of this week, beginning at 9 o'clock, or immediately after the temperance meeting in the hall is closed.

The next social of the Bapt. church and society will be at Charles Carter's Wed. evening of next week. Refreshments of cake and coffee will be served. Now is the time for sleigh rides, and all wishing to go will please be at Robertson's store at 6:30 p. m. standard time.

The JOURNAL force was prepared to move on short notice Saturday but the fire didn't catch us. Owing to the fire, however, the JOURNAL shows little editorial work this week, and one or two communications will have to go over until next week.

We might say a word or two about better fire protection, but couldn't add much to what has already been said through the JOURNAL on that subject. The best way to put out a fire is to talk it out. That's easy enough. What's the use of wasting money for fire engines and hose and such things?

Program for L. L. C. Feb. 1, 1884: 1. Response, from favorite musical author; 2. Chorus, Home, Sweet Home; 3. Sketch of Jenny Lind, Mrs. Douglass; 4. Sketch of Annie Louise Carey, Mrs. G. Parker; 5. Sketch of Clara Louise Kellogg, Mrs. McDannell; 6. Music, Mrs. A. W. Hine; 7. Sketch of Christine Neilsen, Mrs. Brower; 8. Sketch of Adelina Patti, Mrs. Pease.

The recent assignment by Mr. C. O. Sunderland of this village, dealer in groceries and provisions, was unlooked for even by himself until he found one of his creditors crowding him, with whom he thought he had made satisfactory arrangements. Finding himself closely pressed and no collections coming in Mr. S. was forced to assign for the benefit of his creditors. We trust and so do our citizens generally that he will be able to weather the storm, come out all right, and yet be able to crow from the top rail as loud as the loudest.

At the Poultry and Pet Stock Show held at Battle Creek last week over 400 fowls and pigeons were exhibited. Lowell chicks took several prizes. Mr. Jas. Loop won, on Plymouth Rocks, 1st and special on cockered, score 924, 2d on hen, 3d on cock and two specials on Langshans. C. J. Oldfield won on White Leghorns, 1st on pullet, score 964, 2d on cockerel, score 93; on Light Brahma, 3d on cock and 3d on pullet; on B. B. R. Game Bantams, 3d on cockerel and 3d on pullet.

The "Spy of Shiloh" was presented at Music Hall three nights last week with gratifying success and to very large audiences. On Thursday evening the hall was filled early to its full capacity and many came afterward only to be turned away. The total receipts were a little less than \$300—the general admission being 25 cents; reserved seats 35.

The play was to have been repeated again Saturday evening and many came from the country to see it, but owing to the big fire here Saturday and the illness of one of the important performers, it was deemed best not to open the hall. Frank Howard realizes a nice profit from the "spy" here and Joseph Wilson Post finds its Treasury in better shape than before. To the ladies who took part in the play, tableaux and singing the Post is under lasting obligations and tenders to them their sincere thanks. The play was acceptably presented and the tableaux were superb. Limited space forbids individual mention, but many were the compliments bestowed upon deserving ones and also upon the flag presentation, the Star Spangled Banner song, and other well rendered parts.

Lowell's Big Fire!

IT CAME AT LAST.

A long looked for Blaze.

Twenty wooden buildings in ashes.

About eight o'clock Saturday morning fire broke out in the second floor of the Somerby building east of the post-office and, although discovered early, the flames rapidly spread beyond control and it was at once evident that many more buildings must go with it. The work of moving out goods was vigorously begun and quite successfully conducted by the occupants of the buildings west of the Somerby building. The wind coming from the north east drove the fire through the entire wooden row west to water street, burning also the wooden row up Water street to and including Mrs. Lane's restaurant. The fire also reached over the bridge and burned four wooden buildings on the south side, making in all 20 buildings destroyed. The Lowell firemen's hose was made to do its best work which is at best mighty poor. Help was asked early from Grand Rapids and No. 2, steam fire engine, Thos. Gibbon, engineer, and several men with foreman David Walker, made haste to respond. Delay in getting transportation prevented an immediate start, but the run to Lowell was made in 25 minutes and the Grand Rapids fire ladders did good service, although the flames had about spent their fury before they arrived. The Lowell flouring mill was seriously threatened and had it not been for the mill's force pump and hose the mill would have burned and with it the east portion of Union block in which the JOURNAL office is located. The mill nose did effective service and is worth more than all the fire apparatus the village owns, for extinguishing fires in its vicinity.

THE LOSSES:

The following list of buildings destroyed, with names of owners and occupants, and the amounts of losses (estimated) and insurance, are given in the order in which the buildings stood, commencing with the Somerby building where the fire started and running west.

Two-story building owned by J. L. Somerby. Loss \$1,200, no insurance. Occupied, first floor by A. W. Hine jeweler whose loss is \$200, insurance \$1,000. Second floor, Chapman's gallery, loss \$1,000, no insurance.

Post-office building owned by stock company. Loss \$1,000, no insurance. P. O. contents saved. H. G. McWilliams, news agt. and stationer loses \$75; no ins.

Dr. W. J. Webb, office over P. O. Loss cannot be definitely stated; probably not less than \$600, believed to be uninsured. Dr. W. is still absent.

Herbert, the tailor, over P. O. loss \$25 not insured.

Fred Snyder's saloon building; loss \$1,200, ins. \$500. Loss on contents \$1,000, ins. \$500.

Next two buildings owned by M. C. Barber who puts his loss \$2,000, not ins. Occupants, 1st. W. B. Rickett's restaurant loss \$75, no ins. 2d. Menno Hunsburger's confectionery &c. loss \$200; ins. \$500.

Building owned by Mrs. C. E. Bush. Loss \$600, no ins. Occupant, Goss, grocer, loss probably \$100, no ins. Dentist Goodsell's loss, \$500, no ins.

Building of J. C. Train occupied by J. McPherson, bar stock. McPherson's loss probably \$400; ins. 600. Up stairs Train's loss 600 bu. barley. Train's loss on buildings burned about \$3,000; ins. \$1,100.

T. Flanagan's saloon. Loss stated \$250, no ins. In Train's building.

H. B. Church, boots and shoes, Train's building, loss \$100; no ins.

J. E. Lee's loss on five buildings from \$300 to \$4,000. Partly insured. Mr. Lee is in Tennessee.

Covert & Daniels meat market (Lee's building), loss \$125, no ins.

Robinson's harness shop (Lee's building), loss \$50, no ins.

Riesdorff's barber shop (Lee's building), loss \$25, no ins.

J. Welch, saloon, (Lee's building), loss reported \$300 to \$400, no ins.

Dr. Wells, up stairs, says he lost his location with no insurance.

Lowell House, owned by Mrs. A. Hodges; loss \$2,000 to \$2,500; insurance \$1,000.

Daniels feed store, Lee's building, loss \$75; no ins. Geo. Cook, resident, up stairs, loss nominal.

Mrs. Ann Lane's building and restaurant, loss \$600, insurance \$500.

J. S. Daniels store house damaged \$25. South of Bridge Street were burned the following:

Carr & Davis building, loss \$1,000; no ins. Occupied by W. J. Medler, restaurant and boarding; loss by fire and damage over \$500, no ins.

Mrs. M. A. Hogan's building and millinery stock. Loss about \$1,300, insur \$850.

R. W. Graham, two buildings, loss \$750; no ins.

B. Smith, tailor. Loss nominal. Express office slightly scorched but not materially damaged.

The above comprises the list of losses as, in most cases, stated by the owners; also, the amounts of insurance. It is impossible for some of the losers to state definitely the amounts of their losses,

and will be until they invoice their stocks.

According to these estimates the total loss foots up over \$24,000, on which the insurance is about \$7,500. Further recovery of lost goods and closer estimates will probably reduce the loss somewhat. Secretary Mansfield, of the Michigan Mutual Fire Ins. Co., Grand Rapids, says his company had risks in the burned buildings to the amount of \$3,300. The balance is distributed among other companies, the names of which nobody cares so long as they pay up the losses promptly. Then they will want a \$3 puff in the paper for merely doing what they agreed to do when they took the risks.

FIRE NOTES.

It was lively work.

And everybody worked lively.

Chas. Corbin was suffocated by smoke and carried away insensible.

Chas. Rod had one of his hands badly cut by glass.

Three runaways occurred during the fire.

Parties who discovered the fire and broke into Chapman's gallery say there was a box, which they thought contained chemicals, on fire close to the stove-pipe running up into the gallery from Hine's jewelry store. Mr. Chapman says the box was not close to the stovepipe and did not contain chemicals.

Too many helped themselves to the contents of the burned saloons, and became noisy. Randy Taylor of Saranac and his crew were especially loud and ought to have been jugged at once. They went through the streets shouting and swearing like wild Comanches and some ladies on the streets were badly frightened. Such demonstrations are simply disgraceful and ought to be nipped in the bud, every time. A big fire is no excuse for a big drunk.

The post-office boys did nobly and saved all the mail, stamps, furniture, and everything of value. The mail was necessarily badly mixed and it was a big job to get it straightened out. Postmaster Perry has temporary quarters in the New Lyon Block. He extends his best thanks to those who aided him.

Several burned out parties had articles of value stolen while the fire was raging, and afterward. Somebody is likely to be called a thief before long—several somedobies, in fact.

Coals as large as a small fist were found five miles south of Lowell after the fire.

W. W. Hatch's horse ran away throwing out Mr. H. and bruising his face quite badly.

No more kindling wood put up on the Bridge to be touched off with the first spark that falls. So says the JOURNAL, and so say most of our business men.

Where To Be Found.

Some of the burned out parties have already secured either temporary or permanent locations. Before going to press others will probably have done so. The following is the list before us:

H. B. Church and McPherson are in the Weatherwax store; the post-office in the new Lyon block; McWilliams news in Look's drug store; A. W. Hine's jewelry stock in F. B. Hine's hardware store; Covert & Daniels market on Water street; Rickett's confectionery in west store of Bank Block; Robinson's harness shop east of Mrs. Hile's; Menno Hunsburger's confectionery in the Ben Wright building, east side; Riesdorff's barber shop in Train's Hotel.

The Petition Granted.

The Board of Supervisors adopted the following report of the committee to whom was referred the bridge petition, which report reads as follows:

GENTLEMEN—Your committee to whom was referred the petition of the township Board of the township of Lowell to bond the said township for a sum not to exceed the amount of ten thousand dollars and said Township Board may determine, have had the same under consideration and would respectfully recommend that said township of Lowell be and is hereby authorized by a vote of the electors of said township to bond said township in such sum as said Township Board may determine, not, however, to exceed the sum of ten thousand dollars in accordance with Act No. 165, Session laws of 1877 to be paid in annual payments of one thousand dollars each, with interest not to exceed seven per cent per annum; said moneys to be raised as aforesaid to be used for the purpose of building a bridge across Grand River, known as the Lower Grand River Bridge at the village of Lowell.

Don't Do It.

Don't put up any more wooden buildings on our business streets. To set up another row of them on the bridge is only to invite another fire and endanger valuable property on all sides. This ought not to be allowed. The Common Council should at once include these water lots in the fire limits. Buildings of brick and iron can be erected on those lots and the difference in the rates of insurance will in a few years make up the difference in cost between wooden and brick buildings. Give us a brick post-office on the old site and let others who rebuild put up neat and substantial brick buildings. If this be done it will improve the appearance of Bridge street 100 per cent, and what is of far more importance, it will lessen the danger from fire 1000 per cent; pay a better price on the investments, enhance the value of the property and insure a general peace of mind to the occupants and neighbors that has not been experienced

From the Pilgrims.

Groton, Dakota, Jan. 4th, 1884.

Dear Journal—Doubtless many of your readers are yet interested in the welfare of the Dakota Pilgrims and would be glad to hear from them. All are well and enjoying themselves first rate, although the mercury often drops to 30 degrees below zero, and this morning it scored a record of forty-two degrees below that point. We have about four inches of snow. The winter thus far has been no worse than the average Michigan winters. We have some beautiful mirages. One morning we could distinctly see the towns of Groton, Columbia and Aberdeen, the latter place over thirty miles distant, and the farm houses for miles around were in plain view.

The social event of the season, in this section, came off on Tuesday last. The

first pioneer gathering ever held in town (it is known that we are 17 miles north east from Groton) assembled at the house of G. D. Wood to celebrate New Year's. There were forty persons present beside the children. A more jolly party seldom or never goes together; all from our Michigan except three: two York State people and one native Dakotan, the infant daughter of M. J. Leak and the first white child born in town. It would be in vain to attempt to describe all the good things we had to eat. The tables fairly groaned under the load of dainties prepared by the good ladies present. Like the loaves and fishes, there was enough and to spare. After the banquet, with Miss Wiley at the organ, music and singing was the order, and thoroughly enjoyed. Then came the distribution of presents from the beautiful New Year's cards. They were many and varied; both useful and ornamental. And doubtless many hearts were made softer as these tokens of love and esteem were received, not so much for their intrinsic value as from the motive that prompted the donor. Then social games, music and singing filled up the time until 10 o'clock p. m. Blind man's bluff, to finish up with, was enjoyed merrily. Ah, here was where our general host was at a great disadvantage. The bare spot on the top of his head revealed his identity every time. He had to retire and cover the defect with a "porous plaster", then took his chances on a fair basis. Altogether it was a delightful occasion and the generous hospitality of our host and hostess will long be remembered by all. The company were in the best of spirits, and believe in a grand future for this valley; where by reasonable toil a sure recompense will follow and their homes be made prosperous and happy. We have no stones to throw at dear old Michigan, yet we are confident that hundreds of the poor, hard working people of Michigan could better their condition by coming to this favored land.

THE LOWELL FURNITURE CO.

The following are the officers of the Lowell Furniture Co. for the ensuing year: President, C. R. Hine; Vice Pres., C. G. Stone; Secretary, A. M. Jones; Treasurer, E. A. Sunderlin; Supt., H. M. J. Stark. Directors: C. R. Hine, C. G. Stone, W. J. Ecker, M. N. H. ne, Orton Hill, H. M. Stark, Jas. W. Hine. This company's annual statement appears in this paper.

Solomon's Own.

Solomon's comedy company played three nights, this week, in the Opera House. The piece presented Thursday night, was Fanchon the Cricket. The audience the evening was not as large as on the succeeding evenings, as the entertainment at the Academy was a formidable rival, but still a fair house was present and listened with pleasure to the performance. Miss Nina Gordons delineation of the wayward impulsive Cricket was excellent, and Edith Williams made a very good witch if a prime requisite is a voice that makes the cold chills run down a man's back. Mr. J. W. Davenport, as Father Barbeaud, was a first-rate personification of a benevolent but somewhat obstinate old gentleman, whose stubbornness has been inherited in a perceptible degree by his son. Mr. Walter Ellis made a very favorable impression as Landry Barbeaud, the hero of the piece.

On Friday night, the company presented the "Faded Marriage." Mr. Walter Ellis, the promising young actor, who made so fascinating a hero, the night before, proved himself, in this piece, a most accomplished villain. The pertness and vivacity of Miss Flora Vaughn as Alice Stevens struck a collective chord in the hearts of the audience, and the peculiarly humorous way in which T. B. Williams personated the would-be author excited roars of laughter. Kathleen Mavourneen was presented Saturday night, but we go to press too early to form a judgment of the entire performance. Mr. Solomon has had a very successful season so far, and his troupe is a good one.—Kalamazoo Herald.

This company will appear at Train's Hall on Jan. 23, 24, 25 and 26.

Michigan Crop Report For January.

For this report returns have been received from the correspondents representing 591 townships; 496 of these returns are from 343 townships in the southern four tiers of counties.

At Lansing the average temperature during December was 28° Fahrenheit, the highest, on the 7th, 56° Fahrenheit, and the lowest, on the 19th, 2° Fahrenheit. It began snowing in various parts of the State on the 14th, and during the next few days snow fell in sufficient quantity to protect the wheat fairly well, and the ground has not been bare since. This statement is made up from meteorological returns to the State Board of Health.

Farm animals and stock in very good condition, but correspondents quite generally note the fact that the failure of the corn crop begins to tell in their appearance. The question, "Has wheat during December suffered injury from any cause?" 89 correspondents in the southern counties and 78 in the northern, answered "Yes," and 133 correspondents in the southern counties and 151 in the northern answer "No." "Horse distemper," "epizootic," and "catarrhal inflammation" in horses are reported prevalent in a number of localities. "Hog cholera" is reported from a few localities, and the presence of "chicken cholera" is noted by 2 correspondents.

The quantity of wheat on hand in the southern four tiers of counties is estimated at 33 per cent, and in the northern counties at 28 per cent, of the 1883 crop. These figures are about 8,500,354 bushels of wheat now in the hands of farmers.

The quantity of wheat reported marketed since September 1, is 5,977,712 bu. but as reports have been received from only about one-half of the mills and elevators in the State, the total quantity marketed is probably twice this amount or 11,959,000 bushels. The quantity of seed is probably about 2,500,000 bushels, and the amount consumed by farmers and others supplied directly from farmers' bins, or about 312,000 bushels less than the amount as estimated by crop correspondents.

Historical services at the M. E. Church in Boston next Sunday.

Mrs. Hornbrook died Friday, Jan. 18. Will be buried as soon as her daughter arrives from Dakota. Mr. David Dupey is about selling his farm to W. W. Hatch formerly of Lowell.

Mr. O. Harrow is sick with the lung fever.

Little Eunice Fletcher is quite sick with pneumonia.

GRANT GOSSIP.

News has reached us that Mrs. Dora Rose (nee Dora Fuller) formerly of this place died at Edmore a few days since.

Dame Rumor reports that Mr. Patrick Lally returned home last Thursday with a fair young bride from Hastings.

Mr. Wright and family were called to Vergennes last week to attend the funeral of his mother.

Mr. O. I. Watkins sold his farm of 40 acres to Mr. Youngs of Cannon, price \$2000. Mr. F. Gas has also sold 40 acres of his farm to Mr. Nick Warner for \$1,200.

ALTON ATOMS.

Rev. and Mrs. S. M. Fowler, of Kalamazoo, are visiting friends at this place. Rev. F. preached two very interesting sermons at the Christian Church Sunday. There will be evening meetings through the week.

J. R. Brown, of Walker, member of the State Grange, installed the officers of Alton Grange Friday evening. Mr. & Mrs. O. I. Watkins of Grattan Grange and Mr. & Mrs. S. Cusser of Orleans Grange were present.

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W. C. T. U. For God and Home and Native Land. The undersigned, for our own good, and the good of the world in which we live, do hereby promise and engage, with the help of Almighty God, to abstain from the use of alcoholic or malt beverages, wine and cider included.

A Great Foot's endorsement. Danvers, Mass., 12th mo 7, 1883. Dear Friend:—I cannot let the decennial of the "Womans National Christian Temperance Union" pass without expressing my hearty sympathy with its object, and my approval of its methods.

The Kansas Prohibitionist says, "John Morrissey never allowed his son to come into his gambling house and drinking saloon, and he spent money like water to get elected to Congress that his children might speak of their father as a member of congress and not as a prize fighter and gambler. It is a suggestive fact that the more decent men among liquor dealers never put their sons behind the bar. If young Glass, who went to jail a few weeks ago for selling whisky in this city in violation of law, is entitled to any sympathy, it is because his father not only sent him out to solicit orders for that which produces evil in only evil, but counseled him to a plain violation of the law in so doing. He ought to be in jail instead of his son. The Governor of this State is next in responsibility. He has encouraged the violation of the law. The misfortune of young Glass is a direct result of the teachings of Gov. Glick."

The party which elected Lincoln in 1860, polled only 7000 votes in 1840. What Americans had done. Americans could do again. Revolutions never go backward, and the fanaticisms of today are the victories of tomorrow. The people who stand by this new party have not the flimsy, flabby courage which only dares to assert itself in times of success, and they will grow in strength and numbers and will succeed. This Prohibition movement must be a party movement because it must elect men who will enforce the law. In every county it must elect a sheriff and constables who will insist upon the rigid enforcement of the law. Until it does that no prohibition law that may be passed will be like a rusty sword in a still more rusty scabbard. I believe that before our next presidential election there will come that which shall not be a mere sound from the tops of the mulberry trees, but a cyclone that will uproot the mulberry trees.—Frances E. Willard.

We have three men in our town, who deserve the respect of their fellow citizens, for the part they have done towards keeping the shameful liquor traffic from our midst. One of them declared—in substance—that his building should not rather than be used for such an abominable purpose as running a saloon, he would promptly and decidedly refused to rent any of their rooms for a saloon. All honor to such principles! Would that there were many more such men!

John G. Whittier says: "Of the right and duty of prohibition I have never doubted, but we can only have it effect

when the people are made to feel its necessity."

Will some one inform us what there is in alcohol that will nourish or build up any part of the body? If it is good for man in any way it ought to be capable of demonstration.

Devotion to truth, self-sacrifice and benevolence—which only can make an individual truly great—ennoble and exalt a nation. Dissipation, extravagance and reckless expenditure, which will surely result in individual poverty, will surely impoverish a nation. Intemperance, which will surely ruin a man will surely ruin a nation.—Senator Platt.

Cannon Wilberforce tells of a medical man who, after 60 years of practice, says, "I firmly believe that not a single life has been saved by alcohol."

It is one of the heaviest penalties of wrong thinking and of wrong living that they blur, if they do not obliterate, the very perception of good and evil.—Mary Clemmer.

How to Avoid Getting Fat. A new book on "Corpulence and Its Treatment," has lately been published in Germany by Prof. Elstein, of Göttingen. He is not, like the English "savior of the stout," full of overflowing thankfulness for relief from this disease; probably he has not even suffered from it, for corpulent men are rarely stern and strict. His method also differs from that of Banting. According to Elstein, the primary cause of corpulence is the want of sufficient energy to renounce the so-called attractions of life. He firmly maintains that fat is produced merely by over eating and drinking. Water and drinking cures are altogether condemned by Prof. Elstein, and while the Banting system teaches that "fat makes fat," this doctrine is directly opposed by Prof. Elstein, in whose ideal of fare for those suffering from corpulence fat forms a great feature. "The 250 grammes of bacon," says Prof. Elstein, "which our emperor ordered to be delivered daily to all soldiers taking part in the French campaign of 1870, are, so to speak, an official acknowledgment of the importance of fat in the rational nourishment of a hard-working man."

The annexed bill of fare is that proposed by Prof. Elstein for an average case of corpulence, the invalid being supposed to be 41 years of age, and having suffered from increasing stoutness for twenty-five years. The disease is supposed to be contracted by insufficient body exercise, a diet consisting of such things as are hurtful, among which are named all sweet dishes and those containing much albumen and those devoid of a sufficient quantity of fat:

"Breakfast—A large cup of black tea without milk or sugar; 50 grammes of white bread or toasted brown bread with plenty of butter.

"Soup (frequently and with bone marrow), 120 to 180 grammes meat, boiled or roasted, with fat gravy—fat meat being preferable; a small quantity of vegetables, particularly leguminous, but also all kinds of cabbage. Turnips are excluded because of the sugar in them; potatoes are altogether excluded. After dinner some fresh fruit, when in season, as dessert; a salad or baked fruit without sugar. Two or three glasses of a light tea, without milk and sugar.

"Supper.—In winter regularly, in summer occasionally, a large cup of black tea without milk and sugar. An egg or some fat roast meat, or both, sometimes fat ham, smoked or fresh fish, about 30 grammes of white bread, with plenty of butter, and occasionally a small quantity of cheese and some fresh fruit."—Pall Mall Gazette.

Lord Ashburton and Carlyle. Upward of twenty years ago I had a call at my house in Belfast, Ireland, from a young nobleman, with whom I was at that time intimate, and who has since risen to eminence as a statesman.—Earl Dufferin—who introduced to me his friend Lord Ashburton, who took me aside and said: "You know that I have lately lost my dear wife, who was a great friend of Mr. Carlyle's, and I have applied to him to tell me what I should do to have peace and make me what I should be. On my doing so he simply bade me read 'Wilhelm Meister.' I did so, and not finding there anything fitted to improve me I went back to him, asking what lesson he meant me to gather from the book, and he said, 'Read 'Wilhelm Meister' a second time.' Now I have done so earnestly, but I confess I am unable to find anything there to meet my anxiety, and I would like you to explain what Mr. Carlyle can mean." I told him I was not the man to explain Carlyle's meaning, if, indeed, he had any meaning that could be defined. I said to him that neither Goethe nor Carlyle, though men of great literary genius, could supply the balm which his spirit needed. I remarked that Goethe's work contained much that was sensual, and I did my best to point out a better way. I do not know the issue, but I got an eager listener.—Dr. McCosh in the Manhattan for Nov.

A philanthropic lady residing in Richmond, Va., has given that city a farm of 120 acres in the suburbs for the establishment of a work-house.

Passed Over. Died at his residence in West Lowell, Christmas night, Samuel Houghton, after suffering from rheumatism in its most aggravating form for nearly twenty years.

Samuel Houghton was born in Hartford, Connecticut, N. Y., April 2, 1813. He graduated at Randolph Academy with the highest honors, a penman. He taught writing schools in Western New York, until the breaking out of the rebellion, when he enlisted in the 17th N. Y. Infantry, and was with his regiment in the first Battle of Bull Run; where he contracted rheumatism from labor and exposure, from which he never recovered. In 1851 he was detailed and placed on duty as Clerk of Armory Square Hospital, where he remained until 1873 when he was assigned to duty in the Adjutant General's Office, Washington D. C. where he remained until rheumatism made such fearful inroads upon his health, that he was compelled to resign in 1873. He leaves his wife and three sons amply provided for. Deceased had hosts of friends, who loved him for his happy, sunny nature, and generous, genial, upright ways. His funeral service, was held at the Morse Lake M. E. church, at 11 o'clock on the 27th of Dec. under the charge of Low. H. Lodge of F. & A. Masons; Rev. Mr. Oldfield preaching the funeral sermon.—From Rev. XX ch. last clause of 15th verse.

We have paid the last tribute to one who was a wise counselor, a generous friend, a true and just man. We can all tenderly say: "Noble Soul! Farewell! Tra-t-art; good Bye!" May we meet him in the beautiful beyond: when our work on earth, like his, is finished. God.

GRIGG'S GLYCERINE SALVE. The best on earth can truly be said of Grigg's Glycerine salve, which is a sure cure for cuts, bruises, scalds, burns, wounds, and all other sores. Will positively cure piles, tetter and all skin eruptions. Satisfaction guaranteed or money refunded. Only 25 cents. For sale by J. Q. Lusk.

PROBATE ORDER.—State of Michigan, county of Kent, ss. At a session of the Probate Court for the county of Kent, holden at the Probate Office, in the city of Grand Rapids, on Tuesday the fifteenth day of January in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty four.

Present, Cyrus E. Perkins, Judge of Probate. In the matter of the estate of Samuel Houghton, late of the township of Lowell, in said county, deceased.

On reading and filing the petition duly verified of Louise Houghton, widow of said deceased, praying that the instrument now on file in this court purporting to be the Last Will and Testament of said deceased may be admitted to Probate and that the executor thereof and administration of said estate may be granted to her she being the executrix in said will named.

Thereupon it is ordered, That Monday the 18th day of February next at two o'clock in the afternoon be assigned for the hearing of said petition and that the heirs at law of said deceased, and all other persons interested in said estate, are required to appear at a session of said Court then to be holden at the Probate Office, in the city of Grand Rapids, in said county and show cause if any there be, why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted.

And it is further ordered, That said petitioner give notice to the persons interested in said estate, of the pendency of said petition and the hearing thereof by causing a copy of this order to be published in the Lowell Journal, a newspaper printed and circulating in said county of Kent three successive weeks, previous to said day of hearing.

(A true copy.) CYRUS E. PERKINS, Judge of Probate. ADOLPH B. MASON, Register.

PROBATE ORDER.—State of Michigan, County of Kent, ss. At a session of the Probate Court for the County of Kent, holden at the Probate Office, in the City of Grand Rapids, on Tuesday the seventeenth day of January in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty four.

Present, Cyrus E. Perkins, Judge of Probate. In the matter of the estate of Charles R. Wingard, late of the township of Lowell, in said county, deceased.

On reading and filing the petition duly verified of James B. Woodcock, guardian of said minors, praying this Court for license and authority to sell certain real estate therein described for the reasons and purposes therein set forth.

Thereupon it is ordered, That Monday the 18th day of February next at two o'clock in the afternoon be assigned for the hearing of said petition and that the next of kin of said minors and all other persons interested in said estate, are required to appear at a session of said Court, then to be holden at the Probate Office, in the city of Grand Rapids, in said county, and show cause if any there be, why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted.

And it is further ordered, That said petitioner give notice to the persons interested in said estate, of the pendency of said petition and the hearing thereof by causing a copy of this order to be published in the Lowell Journal, a newspaper printed and circulating in said county of Kent three successive weeks, previous to said day of hearing.

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A \$20 BIBLICAL PRIZE. The publishers of Rutledge's Monthly offer two valuable rewards in their Monthly for February, among which is the following:

We will give \$20 to the person telling us which is the longest verse in the Old Testament Scriptures by Feb. 10th, 1884. Should two or more correct answers be received, the reward will be divided. The money will be forwarded to the winner February 15th, 1884. Persons trying for the reward must send 50 cts. in silver (no postage stamps taken) with their answer, for which they will receive the March Monthly, in which the name of the winner of the reward and the correct answer will be published, and in which several more valuable rewards will be offered. Address RUTLEDGE PUBLISHING CO., Easton, Penna.

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NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION. The partnership heretofore existing under the firm name of Miller & Yeiter, is this day dissolved by mutual consent, Mr. Miller retiring. Mr. Yeiter retains the firm's books and accounts, and will pay the firm's indebtedness, and continue the business hereafter as sole proprietor.

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NOTICE. The firm of Sunderland and Sterling has this day dissolved by mutual consent Mr. Sterling retiring. The business will be continued by Mr. Sunderland, who will pay all liabilities. He also retains the book accounts which must be settled within 1883.

Lowell Dec. 27th 1883. C. O. SUNDERLAND, W. D. STERLING.

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LOWELL, MICH

PROBATE ORDER.—State of Michigan, County of Kent, ss. At a session of the Probate Court for the County of Kent, holden at the Probate Office, in the City of Grand Rapids, on Friday the twenty eighth day of December in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty three.

Present, Cyrus E. Perkins, Judge of Probate. In the matter of the estate of Catherine Barrett, late of the township of Gratian in said county, deceased.

On reading and filing the petition duly verified of Edie C. Saul (nee Edie Barrett) praying this Court to adjudicate and determine who were at the time of her death and are now the lawful heirs of said deceased and entitled to inherit her real estate.

Thereupon it is ordered, That Monday the 28th day of January next at two o'clock in the afternoon be assigned for the hearing of said petition and that the heirs at law of said deceased and all other persons interested in said estate are required to appear at a session of said Court, then to be holden at the Probate Office, in the City of Grand Rapids, in said county, and show cause, if any there be, why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted.

And it is further ordered, That said petitioner give notice to the persons interested in said estate, of the pendency of said petition and the hearing thereof by causing a copy of this order to be published in the Lowell Journal, a newspaper printed and circulating in said county of Kent three successive weeks, previous to said day of hearing.

(A true copy.) CYRUS E. PERKINS, Judge of Probate. ADOLPH B. MASON, Register.

PROBATE ORDER.—State of Michigan county of Kent, ss. At a session of the Probate Court for the county of Kent, holden at the Probate Office, in the City of Grand Rapids, on Thursday the twenty seventh day of December in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty three.

Present, Cyrus E. Perkins, Judge of Probate. In the matter of the estate of George Wilhelm, late of the village of Lowell in said county, deceased.

On reading and filing the petition duly verified of Johanna Wilhelm, widow of said deceased praying that the administration of said estate may be granted to her.

Thereupon it is ordered, That Monday, the 28th day of January next at two o'clock in the afternoon, be assigned for the hearing of said petition and that the heirs at law of said deceased and all other persons interested in said estate, are required to appear at a session of said Court, then to be holden at the Probate Office, in the City of Grand Rapids, in said county, and show cause, if any there be, why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted.

And it is further ordered, That said petitioner give notice to the persons interested in said estate, of the pendency of said petition and the hearing thereof by causing a copy of this order to be published in the Lowell Journal, a newspaper printed and circulating in said county of Kent three successive weeks, previous to said day of hearing.

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