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HUBBELL TO INNES.

A scene in the Senate at Lansing the other day. Senator Hubbell, who hails from the Upper Peninsula, rising to a question of privilege, read a published statement from Gen. W. P. Innes (fusion) in which charges of corruption by the Republicans of the U. P. at the late election were strongly intimated. Mr. Hubbell moved to have the charges investigated but the Senate took no stock in the rantings of Innes and declined to go to the trouble and expense of an investigation. Hubbell then arose and said that were General Innes on the floor of the senate and were it parliamentary, Hubbell would say to him in the language of Horace Greeley, "You lie, you rascal—you lie."

The language being unparliamentary of course Senator Hubbell could not use it, but could only say what he would say were the language not unparliamentary. No one can fail to appreciate Mr. Hubbell's conscientious regard for parliamentary usages. The JOURNAL applauds the careful observance thereof and would not object to an encore. Mr. Hubbell, however, did not quote Mr. Greeley quite correctly. The great journalist used the word "villain" instead of "rascal," the former word being more euphonious as well as expressive. But Mr. Hubbell meant well enough and Gen. Innes will not fail to give him credit for the best of intentions. He intended in the course of his vigorous and timely speech to remove the cuticle in its entirety from Gen. Innes' person and he did it with neatness and dispatch. Mr. Hubbell threw enough light upon the fusion irregularities in the Upper Peninsula at the late election to so dazzle the eyes of Gen. Innes and his followers that we may be sure they will not call for an investigation. It was Mr. Hubbell's turn to speak. He spoke at the right time and he couldn't have made a better speech if we had written it for him.

GREAT IS YALE!

Congressman Yale, of the fourth Michigan district, is a great man. Some men were born great, others have greatness thrust upon them later in life. Yale was elected to congress while the voters of his district were laboring under a temporary mental aberration two years ago last fall. Last fall the voters of his district gave unmistakable evidence of their entire recovery by sitting down on the little fellow. But we disagree. Yale is something of a talker and next to hearing his own voice there is nothing that pleases him more than to see his speeches in print. He has spent a good deal of his time spreading printer's ink until he has really been well advertised. Yale is nothing if not a profound statesman. He doesn't fool away his precious time with unimportant matters of legislation, but strikes out like a champion roller skater after a big prize. The tariff question he has so thoroughly mastered that now he regards it as simple as a child's school primer, and looks with disdain upon those who look upon it with clouded vision. Oh, he's bottled wisdom uncorked, he is. Only a few days ago he delivered a 4th of July oration on the finance question and immortalized his name by saying that "the currency issued by national banks is more dangerous than the issues of the wild cat banks." We stop right here. The boy who cleans out our cuspidor has arrived and we leave Yale to converse with a more intelligent mind.

MICHIGAN IN THE CABINET.

The JOURNAL is delighted to know that the democratic headlights of Michigan have at last decided to urge President-elect Cleveland to appoint one of their distinguished number—the Hon. O. M. Barnes of Lansing—to a cabinet position. Mr. Barnes is a very pleasant gentleman; is very wealthy and quite generous in distributing financial favors—as bread upon the waters. Mr. Barnes is no statesman, but he is a very convenient man to have around when campaign funds run low and therefore his qualifications for a cabinet position will not be questioned by the fusion leaders of Michigan. No body pre-empted that stands knee high to such demagogues as Mr. Lotrop of Detroit, Mr. W. L. Webber of East Saginaw, Judge Champlin, or to any one of a hundred others whose names we could write if necessary. But his name has been formally presented and the visiting delegation has returned from Albany with the idea that Mr. Cleveland remembers even to this day that they called on him.

THE PRODIGAL SON RETURNING.

One of the many Jackson convicts pardoned by Gov. Bagole just before retiring to private life, was H. C. Farrington, who immediately went to Arizona to engage in the fascinating work of circulating counterfeit money. He left Arizona very suddenly by special request and is expected to come back to Michigan. He will probably go right to Mr. Bagole's house and get another recommendation for good behavior, the old one having been slightly soiled by his western experience.

NOT A CANDIDATE.

It is now understood that Judge Cooley has decided not to be a candidate for

re-election. The JOURNAL hopes this is not true—it hopes that he may yet be prevailed upon to accept a re-nomination from the Republicans. The Detroit Post, however, says his declination may be considered as final. If so it is unfortunate for Michigan.

WOODBINED.

The Prohibitionist, a political prohibition paper published at Charlotte for the past two years, has gone down under the pressure of a chattel mortgage. The report that the editor drank up the proceeds of the office is not generally credited.

—Mr. C. H. Buhl of Detroit has turned over to the State University his fine law library of about 5,000 volumes. President Angell acknowledges the munificent gift in a hyperbolic letter.

—Ex-prosecuting attorney James Caplis of Wayne county has sued the Detroit Free Press for defamation of character, asking for a \$25,000 plaster to apply to the wounded parts.

—The irrepressible Jerry Boynton is trying to give Detroit a competing street railway service and it would no doubt be a good thing for Detroit if he should succeed.

—A bill to detach certain territory from the county of Schoolcraft and organize a new county to be known as the county of Alger is before the legislature.

—Since the election of Mr. Cleveland many good people have been led to believe that the wages of sin is the Presidency.

—Senator Hawley of Detroit is seriously afflicted with verbosity—a mouth disease in some cases incurable.

JOURNAL JOTTINGS.

The wood market was lively Saturday. The new post-office will be a credit to Lowell.

Washington's birthday comes on Sunday this year.

Dr. C. C. Sayles of Langston was in town last week.

Hard times at Ionia, too. A 34-lb baby born there last week.

A case of scarlet fever is reported in the family of Thos. Davis.

Judge Montgomery won golden opinions from the Ionia county bar.

Will Booth is home again and will probably remain here for sometime.

The oldest inhabitant says this is the coldest winter we have had this year.

A \$40,000 fire at Big Rapids Thursday, destroying the Darragh flouring mill.

Last week great tears were tobogganing down your nose and you couldn't help it.

A bill to amend the charter of the village of Lowell will be introduced at Lansing.

What did I do die off—Exchange. Iodide of potassium. What did Annalinde die of, smarty?

Every day last week had been Sunday business would have been better than it was, no doubt.

W. J. Stiff of Ionia, formerly of Lowell, has purchased an interest in the Prairie Creek flouring mills.

Republican county convention at Grand Rapids Thursday, March 5, to elect delegates to the state convention.

That convention to organize a state dairyman's association will be held at Grand Rapids next Wednesday.

Reports from a few peach crops indicate that we may have a fair crop of peaches next fall, "provided," &c.

We rush to his defense unarmed, but, evenso, we hurl back the insinuation. "Montgomery," the fast stallion trotter of Ionia, has been entered in the 2:20 race for the \$1,000 cup offered by Wilkes' Spirit of the Times.

Our copy of the Pontiac Gazette comes printed "upside down" this week, a position we have never found the able editor of that paper occupying yet.

Grand Rapids has an amateur dramatic company called the "Broken Hearted Club." One of its lady members is Miss Nellie Harmon, formerly of this village.

Saturday was the first comfortable day we have had in Lowell for sometime. Our streets were crowded with teams and the post-office with valentines.

The ice in the river at Grand Rapids is from ten to fifteen feet thick in places. When the break-up comes the people living near the river may have to seek a Mt. Ararat.

Chief of police Perry of Grand Rapids went in out of the cold with a frozen cheek. He ought to depute some insurance agent to go out for him these cold nights.

Warden Watkins, of the State House of Correction, has appointed Orville Reynolds of this township, a guard at that institution. We think Orville will do well his duty.

Judge Montgomery is mentioned as a good man to succeed Judge Cooley. Judge Montgomery would be a strong candidate and make a first-class Judge. In fact he is that already.

The Governor's levee at Detroit Thursday night was a brilliant affair. Owing to blocked railroads many invited from distant parts were unable to be present.

Col. I. E. Messmore who was injured in a railroad smash-up last fall wanted \$10,000 damages. The Leader says he took about \$7,700 less than the amount asked and called it square.

The following conversation took place between two Chicago (not Lowell) girls: "He tried to kiss me an' I just told him to behave." "Well, did he kiss you?" "No, the idiot; he behaved."

The Michigan Argonaut, of Ann Arbor, says of one of Lowell's brightest girls: Miss Bessie West has decided to leave college at the end of this semester. We hope to see her back next spring much improved in health.

With a creamery at Ionia and another at Lowell, it looks as though our good friends at Saranac would have to live on skimmed milk.—Ionia Standard.

They will probably tell us to "cheese it."

Rev. A. J. Van Wagner, recently of Sedalia, Mo., has accepted a call to preach at Janesville, Wis. He is a son of Rev. J. M. Van Wagner, recently pastor of the Lowell Congregational church.

Two car loads of sheep coming from the west were frozen to death in transit near Chicago last Tuesday. The sheep belonged to a Grand Rapids man. Many head of cattle coming from the west on cars were also frozen to death last week.

We do not leave a barrel at our office door any more for subscribers to put money into when the office is locked. Please call up stairs and hand it to the foreman when the editorial office is closed, and he will give you a receipt with framing.

"Inquirer" asks the JOURNAL a question. He says "if progressive eucare is a sinful game how is it about the church festival prize cake—warranted to contain a gold ring—cake sold at 25 cents per piece?" Maybe "Inquirer" thinks we are a concubinary dictionary.

A destructive conflagration occurred at Lansing last Tuesday night. The fire originated in Huffman's bakery, consuming this building, Newman's dry goods store, Gansley's grocery and saloon and the saloon known as "the Senate." Loss, \$60,000; insured for \$40,000.

A bad man named A. C. Jenkins has been finding cash subscriptions for the Big Rapids Herald and pocketing the proceeds. "Now is the time to kick" thinks the Herald editor and he invites the state press to give Jenkins a free puff. Mr. Nesbitt, it is our opinion that Mr. Jenkins is no gentleman.

The W. C. T. U. will meet with Mrs. Parker, Feb. 20 at 8 o'clock P. M. Standard time. Program for next meeting: 1st, response at roll call, with a quotation from Scripture; 2d, Discussion, question, "What amusements tend upward toward God, and Heaven? And what away from God, and Heaven?"

An article in the Grand Rapids Democrat of the 11th inst., in speaking of the Lowell W. C. T. U.'s opposition to progressive eucare, says that members of said Union had requested the Marshal to "arrest certain persons who were particularly patrons of the game."

The Marshal informs us that no member of the Union made such a request and that the article in the Democrat was a good deal overdrawn.

Last week we stated the JOURNAL would run a "FARMERS' COLUMN" of original contributions from farmers only. We know there are many farmers who take the JOURNAL who can contribute interesting and instructive articles. Of course such contributions must necessarily be somewhat brief. Who will be the first to open that column? Subjects of

interest to farmers can here be discussed with benefit to all. We set aside one column of space for that purpose.

L. L. C.—Programme of the L. L. C. Feb. 27th. At Mrs. R. Graham's. The reading of Bitter-sweet continued from J. G. Holland. 1. Response at roll call with name and birthplace of some American Poet. 2. Picture, Mrs. Craw. 3. Persons, Mrs. Stark. 4. Prelude, Mrs. M. N. Hine. 5. Recitation, Mrs. Pease, from Holland.

There are five or six aggressive candidates for the Ionia post-office who feel that the time has come for them to offer themselves as living sacrifices upon the altar of their country. Among them are Geo. S. Cooper, Capt. Kidd, Jno. Hutchins, "Andy" Tower and A. F. Bell. The one who seems to Tower above all others at present is "Andy." Meantime Postmaster Heath keeps right on in the faithful discharge of his official duties as unconcerned as you please.

Congressman-elect Comstock, having been since he wrote his first card waacking Burlingame and "office brokers" over the knuckles, in order to keep peace in the fusion family feels constrained to say:

"In my card recently published in the Leader and Democrat it was not my intention to minimize that Mr. Burlingame entered the campaign for a re-nomination which he received, for I believe his real purpose was the success of the principles of the party, and that he would have done the same voluntarily, and borne his own expenses. Nor has he made any formal application for an office, nor was anything of the kind even mentioned till since the election of Mr. Cleveland. I heartily regret the construction which seems to be placed upon my hastily written card."

The following jurors have been drawn to serve at the March term of the Kent Circuit Court, which commences March 2, 1885: H. Lockwood, Cascade; Orasmus W. Horton, city; Wm. Byers, Algonia; Joseph Rowland, city; E. L. Boyton, Spencer; Owen O'Neil, city; Peter Scaddin, city; Charles Bias, Lowell; W. C. Bowman, Games; Lewis Williams, Alpine; Joseph A. Pierce, Grand Rapids; Lorenzo Wilmarth, city; D. W. Dutcher, Caledonia; Wm. B. Davis, Oakfield; Albin J. Rose, Solon; Andrew Doyle, city; Vernon Herrington, Walker; James H. Andrews, Vergennes; Peter Granger, city; J. F. Toland, Byron; A. Cunningham, Wyoming; Nelson Holmes, Grattan; Alex. Hamilton, city.

SALVATION ARMY COUNCIL OF WAR. &c.—Next Saturday and Sunday the Salvation Army will have a council of war. Gen. Moore, commander of the Incorporated Salvation Army, is expected here to take command. A varied program, including an oyster supper, is announced. For further information see bills.

TO OUR VILLAGE OFFICERS.—The attention of our village officers is called to an article elsewhere concerning the disgraceful doings of a gang of boys who nightly gather at Train's Hall entrance to unload their lungs, profanity and filth. For the sake of decency let it be an end immediately to such disgraceful, outrageous proceedings. An officer can get all the help he wants to run the gang into the lock-up, at a moment's notice.

LOOKS DUBIOUS.—The heavy body of snow now on the ground means a serious time, we fear, when the break-up comes in the spring—only a few weeks later. Probably no great damage will be suffered at this point unless the upper Grand River bridge goes out. Necessarily several mills and factories will be shut for some time. Further down the river more disastrous results may be expected. At Grand Rapids and west of that city the damage to property will be great unless from now on most favorable weather be had.

J. C. POST ON THE PLATFORM.—Mr. J. C. Post gave a lecture at Music Hall Saturday evening on the teachings of the Bible and the Christian Religion. His audience was not large but was considerably interested. Mr. Post has decided views of his own which are widely held by orthodox believers. His ideas are purely his own—which means that they are not borrowed from anybody. He says he has read the Bible through four times and parts of it probably 100 times, and holds himself ready to discuss its contents with any man who desires to meet him on the platform.

THAT NEW COUNTY.—A meeting of citizens was held Saturday night at Sand Lake to consider the scheme for the formation of a new county, the center of which is to be about a mile west of Sand Lake, near Pangborn's Corners. The Leader says "a bill will be introduced in the legislature through Representative Sellers, of Cedar Springs, which provides for taking eight towns from Kent, four from NewWay and four from Montcalm, thus forming a new county and furnishing the subject for a fight for the county seat between Cedar Springs and Sand Lake."

Don't know about that. Guess we'll have to sign a remonstrance against instead of a petition for the passage of such a bill.

DISGRACEFUL.—Saturday night while the people were coming out of Train's Hall, at the close of the Salvation Army meeting, several roughs stood at the

lower entrance making night hideous with their voices. One of them, who was the worse for liquor, used profane and vulgar language.

Sunday evening while those who attended the afternoon meeting at the same place were going home, a crowd of boys stood on the sidewalk shouting and swearing. Some of them threw snowballs at the departing attendants, and a lady and gentleman crossing the street were hit several times. Scarcely a night passes without more or less disturbance during these meetings or at their close. Boys run up and down the stairs leading to Train's Hall, yelling and swearing and using language unfit for decent ears to hear. It is high time to put a stop to such disgraceful proceedings and we call upon the proper authorities to see to it that the boys and roughs who engage in this kind of pastime are collared and marched to the lockup. The nuisance has existed long enough. It is a positive disgrace to our village to tolerate it.

ABOUT A LOAD OF WOOD.—He brought a load of wood to Lowell and sold it for \$1.75. The purchaser didn't see the wood until it was unloaded but asked the seller what kind of wood it was. "Beech and maple" was the reply. "About half-and-half?" asked the purchaser. "Yes, just about half beech and half maple," replied the seller. "All right," said the buyer, here's your money; pile it up there." After it was piled, the buyer looked it over and said to the seller as he was about to depart: "Say, Mister, I gave you \$1.75 for that load of beech and maple, didn't I?" The seller allowed he did. "And you said it was half beech and half maple?" The seller didn't deny it. "Now, I'll tell you what I'll do," added the buyer rather warmly. "I'll sell you back all the maple wood in that pile for 35 cents." But the honest woodman would not pay 35 cents for a half dozen sticks of maple wood. Not he. He would rather sell on the half-and-half plan than buy at any price. The buyer is laying for that chap.

TIMELY TOPICS.

Jefferson Davis seems to think his career is not at an end yet. Is it a seat in the Senate he has in view, or does he aspire to a nomination for the Presidency in 1888?—New York Mail.

There has been introduced in the legislature of Tennessee recently a bill pensioning the rebel soldiers from that state. The Republicans are opposing the measure, because of its revolutionary character and encouragement of rebellion.

The lower house of the Dakota Legislature has passed a woman-suffrage bill. Woman suffrage appears to be a great deal more popular in the Territories, where suffrage amounts to but little, whoever possesses it, than it is in the States, where it controls the election of State officers and the enactment of laws.

The total exports of the United States to Mexico during the last year were some \$15,000,000. Of this amount about \$4,000,000 was in iron and steel manufactures; provisions amounted to \$400,000; cotton manufactures were \$1,000,000; animals were \$600,000; agricultural implements were \$100,000. These are the round figures; not very far from correct.

Reports from Iowa, Wisconsin, Michigan, Indiana and Illinois, show that the snow storm which began Sunday, February 8, was the heaviest for years. At points in Illinois and Indiana the storm was ushered in by lightning and thunder, a barn being struck, a horse killed, and two boys stunned at Franklin, Ill. At other places violent lightning was seen unaccompanied by thunder.

The American Machinist, in referring to the result of its inquiry into the tariff views of the members of the next Congress, says the manufacturing interests of the country are to be congratulated upon the existence of a majority for protection in the House of Representatives, as well as in the Senate, that will enact laws for the nation for the next two years. The Machinist made a careful canvass of the views of the members, and has deduced its conclusions from the replies received, and thus figures up a clear majority of protectionists in the House of Representatives.

NEWS NOTES.

A New York barber claims to have accomplished the unprecedented feat of shaving seventy-five men in one hour and twenty-two minutes.

It is believed a citizen would be allowed to vote.

The aggregate trade of Canada in the year ending Jan. 31 last, declined in value nearly \$22,000,000.

Ex-Governor Hoyt, of Pennsylvania, tells that when he was in college (Lafayette) he and his classmates got board for 37 cents a week.

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spoken at Sandy Hook.

The New Orleans Pleiune says that a striking feature in the woman's reputation in the past was the display of beautiful work made by aged women. In fact the 80-year-old ladies have a more creditable showing than the ones of 18 and 20.

At the French cooks' ball in New York the other night a "virtuoso" from Boston was received which puzzled many of the guests. It was a frame-work eight feet high, in the shape of an Indian paddle, with windows and doors covered with strings of dried beans of various colors. The entire building material was beans.

The Sultan of Morocco has just celebrated his 1,000th wedding.

A bronze statue of President Garfield was to be placed in the Golden Gate park, San Francisco.

P. T. Barnum, the showman, gave to Bridgeport, Conn., last Saturday a thirty-acre addition to the public park.

Mgr. Capel says the fight in this country is to be between agnosticism and Catholicism. The Protestant church will go one way or the other.

A box containing a jumping jack was sent to O'Donovan Rossa, who was at it to be carefully opened as if it contained an infernal machine.

For the first time in twenty years, the German government Thursday seized the entire edition of a liberal newspaper, the use of radical contents expressed in its correspondence from H. H. H. H.

Mr. Hendricks was given a breakfast by the prominent citizens of Atlanta. From the hotel he was to be addressed a large crowd upon the occasion of 34,000,000 of people in a result obtained by a majority of 1,142 votes.

The person arrested in London with Cunningham's brown coat in his possession proves to be Harry Burton, apparently an American, who landed at Liverpool from New York about Christmas. He will not permit his photograph to be taken, and is greatly agitated when arranged in the B.W. street police court.

The Mormon temple at Salt Lake will not require more than four years for its completion, and will cost \$3,000,000.

Since the organization of the New York society for the prevention of vice, its officers have seized 1,400 four-tons of obscene matter and eight tons of gambling implements.

The court of claims has decided that up to the end of 1882 the Union Pacific company owes the government \$2,758,622, and that the United States is bound to pay the same rate as private parties for transportation.

Gen. John W. Phelps was found dead Monday at Guilford, Vt. He graduated at West Point in 1833. He served in the Florida and Mexican campaigns, and was the first officer who armed the slaves in the Rebellion, resigning because his course was disapproved.

Hanian defected Clifford by six lengths in a seven-mile match, 8 Sunday, at Sydney.

Russia has recognized the international African association, and signs of the convention in regard to the proposed Congo free state.

A strike is impending in the Tuscarawas Valley, 3,000 coal miners refusing to accept a reduction of wages.

Business failures for the week number 32, against 149 last week, 27 in the corresponding period of 1884.

The telephone was successfully used Sunday by the mayors of New York and Chicago, who held a prolonged conversation over the wires.

The Texas house has passed a bill for adding the carrying of deadly weapons, making the highest penalty \$50 and imprisonment in county jail.

Cattle are dying rapidly in Marshall county, West Virginia, of a disease which begins in the head, causing a swelling of the leg to an enormous size, death resulting in twenty-four hours.

After two minutes' sparring with soft gloves at Louisville Friday night, Mike Cleary knocked Capt. Dalton senseless, blood spouting from the fallen pugilist's nose. A large number were present and Cleary takes all the receipts.

Masked burglars entered Philip Glass' home, near Layton, Ohio, Thursday night, bound and gagged Glass and his sister and demanded \$1,000, which was in the house. The robbers tied Philip Glass for three hours, and while he was suffering they enjoyed themselves by smoking and eating, but departed without the money.

Clearing-house exchanges last week—\$21,915,400—were \$72,623,177 less than the previous week.

Portugal has formalized the decision of the Congo conference by annexing 600,000 tanks of the river.

Justus Schwab, the New York Communist, was held in \$1,500 for assaulting a police captain and distributing bloodthirsty circulars.

The legislature of New Jersey has been petitioned to instruct that state's representatives in congress to urge the passage of a bill making corruption of the ballot-box a crime equal to that of treason.

The disfiguring eruptions on the face, the strikingly pale complexion, indicate that there is something wrong going on within. Expect the lurking foe to health. Ayer's Sarsaparilla was devised for that purpose; and does it.

A woman was found in Jackson on Tuesday who had given birth to a child the night before, and there was no wood nor food in the house.

JUST RECEIVED.

Celluloid Collars and Cuffs at Howard Pease & Co's.

Don't buy stale candies when you can get them fresh every day at Ricker's.

A member of the first banking house in Kalamazoo, Willard Dodge, died in that city on Thursday, at the age of 87 years.

AN ENTERPRISING, RELIABLE HOUSE.

Hunt & Hunter can always be relied upon, not only to carry in stock the best of everything, but to secure the Agency of such articles as have well known merit and are popular with the people, hereby sustaining the reputation of the Agency having entrusted to them, and ever reliable. Always secured the Agency for the celebrated Dr. Kings New Discovery for Consumption, will sell it on a positive guarantee. It will surely cure any and every affection of the throat, lungs and chest and to show our confidence, we invite you to call and get a Trial Bottle Free.

Knox & Holt now publish the Vermontville Hawk.

AN ANSWER WANTED.

Can any one bring us a case of Kidney or Liver Complaint that Electric Bitters will not speed

