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"LONG AFORE I KNOWED." BY JAMES WHITCOMB EILEY.

This delicious gen/ of the Hoosier poet here presented, with due apologies to dge, which first printed it:

to be— h made out o' lies like that-un's good enough

Wish! I still war so confidin' I could jea' go wild Over langin' up my stockin's like the little child Climbin' in my lap to-night, and beggin' me to tell "Bout them reindeers, and "Old Santy" that she



G maps see sweete,
G syrd see neate,
End plentye of holyday effecte.
Olde friends we'll meete

Here is an old Scotch verse concerning Christmas: Yuk's come, and Yuk's cane, An'we has feasted weel; See Jock mant to his fall again, An' Jeonie to her wheel.

CHRISTMAS DINNER.

Christmas, and no feedival earries with it quite such a spirit of joyousness apart from its own inherent reasons for joyousness. Century after century poetry and art have been adding to the associations of the Christ child's day new and beautiful conceptions and associations more than making up for the gradual dropping off of the grosser traditions and delights of Character Winegar.

FROM WASHINGTON.

-Tariff Discussion-Uther Notes of I torest.

the Christmas of our early English and cestors, when "the mightiest ale was broached and the boar's head grimly stared" as the "wassail" the annual feast known as the Christmas dinner remains an interesting feature in the programme of the day's celebration.

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There is less nowley in modern Christmas fare than in any other yearly feast except Thankegiving. The time honored mince pie ranks first as standard Christmas dessert, although a real English plum pudding may take its place, when both are not provided. It is to the Saxons that we are indebted as the originators of the fruity mince pie. The Saxon kings and nobles always had a pie upon their Christmas tables, sometimes so large as to fill up the width of the board. These were often used as a means of presenting surprises in the way of gifts that were hidden underneath the crust. To such excess was the mince pie carried that Cromwell and his followers looked with horror upon it, and the Scotch and English Presbyterians adopted instead what they called plum porridge, and from this plum porridge was gradually evolved the English plum pudding, which foday stands as the great rival of the mince pie.

In place of the boar's head and stout sirloin, we long ago adopted that national bird, the turkey, which in the past few years has given way in some households and the few years has given way in some households and the few years has given way in some households and contained the contained the curse of the boar's head and stout sirloin, we long ago adopted that national bird, the turkey, which in the past few years has given way in some households and the few years has given way in some households and the few years has given way in some households.

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For the housekeeper it is an agreeable fact that the preparation for the Christmas dinner can be made so long in advance. The apples for the mince pies, for instance, many early be selected for peeling, and the fatted heifer killed for suct and meat. This relieves the preparations that under any circumstances will pile up as the day approaches.

A standard receipt for mince pies: Select from the round three pounds of beet—it is best not to have it fat—and boll it in water enough to cover it. Smoked tongue is a valuable ingredient to add with less of the beef. Chop fine and mix with if three pounds of suct, four pounds of apples, four pounds stoned raisins, two pounds of currants, one pound of circon, a quarter of a pound each of lemon and orange peel, the juice of four oranges and four lemons, four pounds of coffee sugar, two grated nutmegs, a teaspoonful each of ground cloves, allspice, cinnamon, mace, pepper and two tablespoonfuls of salt, cider enough to moisten.

The plum pudding may be made ready also in advance and await the glorious day. Here is a receipt which cannot be bettered: Stone a pound of raisins and

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—The Democratic caucus of the House last evening decided to admit the Territories. Mr. Cox said the Democrats might as well anticipate the inevitable and admit the Territories which

day. Here is a receipt which cannot be bettered: Stone a pound of raisins and cour on them a half gill of brandy. Lay on them five oinces of citron, and one each of candied orange and lemon peel sliced, the grated juice and rind of one orange and one lemon, four ounces of mittee on Military Affairs has ordered a mittee on Military Affairs has ordered a

on them two offices of citron, and one each of candied orange and rind of one orange and one lemon, four ounces of blanched almonds, a pound of currants, a pound of sust chopped, a pound of coffee sugar, and the interior of a baker's loaf crumbed, mix well with grated nutmeg, a little cayenne and a teaspoonful of salt. Pour over a gill of sherry and set away in a cool place. Just before boiling the pudding add eight eggs and enough sweet cream to moisten it.

This is Misa Corson's receipt, and she says, "Now let all the young ladies of the house descend and in turn vigorously stir the fruity compound for good luck." Butter the water tight pudding mold, dust with flour, and pack the pudding in, allowing a couple of inches for the pudding to swell. Boil or steam for fen hours and do not open the mold until the pudding is ready to serve. Just before using boil again for two hours. Just before serving pour over it a glass of brandy or rûm, set it on fire and send in blazing. The sauce is made of equal quantities of butter and sugar flavored with rum or brandy.

There is one thing we have not all learned, and that is, that heaven has not granted us stomaches according to our wealth. The rich man cannot cat more than the poor man because he is rich. For that reason there is no use of providing a menu so extensive that even a Christmas day appeatic cannot compass it. As we love on this day old times and old friend's turkey, cranberries and chicken salad are not to be elbowed out of the way by any new dishes or four and twenty courses. Here is an old fashioned Christmas day dinner.

Oyster Soup.

Roast Turkey. Cyster Sauce.

Mashed Potatoes and Turaips.

Coltes Conservy Sauce Pickles**

Boast Spare Blbs. Apple Sauce.

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There are few housewives that need any assistance in preparing any of these cool things as comment is restrained. WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—10 seemed committee on Military Affairs has ordered a favorable report on a bill to retire General W. S. Rosecrans with the rank of Brigadler-General.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The President has pardoned 136 convicts during the fiscal year ended June 30 last and granted amnesty under the Edmunds law in three cases.

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Washinoton, Dec. 15.—The exports of the principal articles of provisions from the United States for the eleven mouths of the year ended November 30 last were \$77,174,600, against \$79,273,300 during the corresponding eleven months of 1857.

Washinoton, Dec. 15.—The Secretary of the Interior has rejected the claim of the State of Michigan to a tract of land in the upper peninsula. Some 1,300 acres are directly involved, while more than 5,000,000 acres are indirectly affected.

Washinoton, Dec. 15.—The President has nominated Leon O. Bailey to be United States Attorney for the District of Indiana, to succeed Mr. Sellers, resigned.

Hope Abaudened.

San Francisco, Dec. 14.—The missing whaling vessel Little Omo, which was last seen off Cape Lisburne October 3, has been given un as lost. She carried a crew of thirty—ne men. It is believed by whaling men that neither crew nor vessel will ever be heard of again.

Mackin Must Serve His Time.

Five Feet of Snow. Ronpout, N. Y., Dec. 15.—Up in the Catakill mountains snow-drifts from five to six feet in depth are reported uest Tannersville. There is a foot of snow the level, and in some localities the steighing is excellent. The mercury has touched the zero point.

An Express Car Robbed.

Death of the Trotting Stallion Voluntee New York, Dec. 15.—The famous stallion Volunteer, the sire of St. Julien an other noted trotters, died at Wainut Growfarm, in Orange County, N. Y., Tuesday Volunteer was St years of age.

Pans, Dec. H. During a target prac-tice on board a French fron-clad in the gulf of Juan a gun exploded and killed ar officer and five men.

Do not be induced to take some other preparation when you call for Hood's Sarsaparilla. Be sure to get Hood's, which is peculiar.

STANLEY IN GREAT PERIL.

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He Is Said to Be a Prisoner in the Mands

file Mainth.

London, Dec. 15.—There seems to be
little doubt that Stanley and Emis Bey
are captives in the hands of the Mands.
General Grenfell has recognized the letter
which Osman Digma inclused as the origimal one which he had drafted for
the Khedive. The members of the Emis
Bey reider committee, between continue
to doubt the genuiness of the Osman
Digma letter, and suggest that the Khedive's letter may be a copy stolon at

to doubt the genuiness of the Osman Digma letter may be a copy stolon at Cairo, but they think it more likely that Stanley sent on runners to Emin with letters and that these runners were captured. In any case they are hopeful that even if Emin is a captive Stanley is still free. It is runnered that Osman Digma in his letter expressed a willingness to surrouder Emin Pashs and his white companion provided Egypt would agree to abandon Snakim. If this proposal is not accepted it is believed that be the captives will be killed.

Mr. Thompson, the African explorer, writes that it is cally too probable that the Mahdi has captured Emin Bey. He expresses unhesitatingly the conviction that Stanley never reached Emin, but was annihilated with his whole party in the region to the west of the Albert Nyanzs. In this region, he says, there are dense forests and swamps, and Stanley and his followers must have had to march almost in single file and to fight for their daily food. The absence of news, he says, is quite natural, because there is no alsee or trade routes by which an Arab merchant could carry news. The disaster was wholly due to the selection of the Congo route. Way that route was solected still requires an explanation.

ranging a winter seens in the show-win-dow when the front door was opened, and the strong draft blew the blaze from a gas jet against the light fabrics used in arrang-ing the scene. In an instant the interior was in a blaze, and the clerks had barely time to escape with their lives. The stock, valued at 430,000, is completely relined, and the building is also badly damaged.

A Fight in Order. A Fight is Order.

New York, Dec 16.—Mayor Hewitt in his testimony before the State Senate Committee investigating city affairs expressed his opinion that Colonel Cockerill of the Werld was a hiar Colonel Cockerill has addressed a letter to Mr. Hewitt deciaring that the latter is a liar, a black-guard and a slanderer, The Colonel says he can prove it by Mr. Hewitt's public record.

THE MARKETS.

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WAR IN MISSISSIPPI.

Blacks and Whites in Deadly Combat in Kemper County.

St. Louis, Dec. 18.—Special dispatches received here from Wahalak, West Point, Meridian, Macon and Columbus, Miss, give conflicting accounts of a fatal en-counter between armed bands of whites

and Stanley and his followers must have had to march simest in single file and to fight for their daily food. The absence of news, he says, is quite natural because there is no slawe or trade routes by which an Arab merchant could carry news. The disaster was wholly due to the selection of the Cogo route. Way that route was solected still requires an explanation.

THE FEDERATION OF LABOR.
Annual Session of the Order in the City of St. Leuis.

St. Louis, Dec. 18.—At the session of the American Pederation of Labor yesterday May 1, 1890, was fixed for the inauguration of the eight-hour rule throughout the country. A report was also adopted favoring the calling of simultaneous massmeetings throughout the entire country for the purpose of furthering the eight-hour movement on the following days: February 21, 1889; July 4, 1889; labor day (first Monday in September, 1889), and again on February 22, 1889.

St. Louis, Dec. 17.—The American Federation of Labor reassembled Naturday moraling and over an hour was consumed in discussion of aresolution indorsing certain newspapers as organs of the Federation. The resolution was finally defeated and the Federation then proceeded to the election of officers for the ensuing year with the following result: President, Samuel Gompers, New York; First Vice-President, Daniel MocLaughlin, Braidwood, Ill.; Second Vice-President, William Mart n, Pittsburgh; Secretary, P. J. McGuire, Philadelphia; Treasurer, Henry Emrich, New York; Trustees, Hugo Miller, August Delabar and Josiah P. Dyer, New York Ry a close where the next annual meeting will be held. There was a bitter contests between the friends of Philadelphia and Boston, the latter city being victorious by but two votes.

Cothing Store Burned.

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Millers Meet in Milwaukee to Form a Combination.

Milwauken, Dec. 18.—The most important meeting of millers which has been held for years took place here Monday, and before it finally adjourns steps will probably be taken which will eventually have a direct bearing on either the pecket-book or the stomach of every American citzen. A gigantic flour trust may be formed. The formation of a National Millers' Association, governed by fron-clad rules will be attempted, and by this means it is hoped to absciutely control the supply of flour. From the discussion it is evident that the millers believe they have just cause for forming a trust, or protective as a sociation, and they lay the blame upon the speculators in wheat. Although the speculators are the ones that will eventually be ground beneath the upper and aether mill-stones of the big combination.

REGULATORS IN TROUBLE.

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BT. Louis, Dec. 18.—The new railroad and wagon-way bridge to be erected over the Mississipp river at this po nt, within casy access of the business district of the city, and just-north of the present bridge, is an assured success, and work will be commenced early in the spring. The sum of \$1,500,000 has been subscribed for the undertaking by merchants and others.

Switzeriand's New President.

BERNE, Dec. 14.—Mr. B. Hammer, Minister of Finance, has been elected President of the Swiss Confederation, and Mr. Ruchonnet, Minister of Justice and Police, has been chosen Vice-President.

Fearful Disaster in Germany.

BEBLIN, Dec. 16.—Albeck's woolen manufactory at Neumunster was burned to the ground Friday. Fifteen persons were killed and ten are so badly injured that they are dying.

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that the effort would succeed.

"White Caps" in New York.

Jamsstown, N. Y., Dec. 15.—"White
Cap" circulars of warning have been received by many prominent business men
in this city during the past two weeks.

Friday night a band of masked men wearing white handkerchiefs over their heads
drove through the streets driving people
to their homes in terror. It is reported
that a man three miles east of hore was
taken from his home and given twenty five
lashes on the bare back.

Injured at a Fire. Injured at a Fire,
WILKESBARRE, Pa., Dec. 10.—Lost Creek
Hall, at Drifton, was burned Friday night.
A ball was in progress in the hall at the
time. Many women were trampled upon
and injured while trying to escape. Underneath the hall was the scientific
school and library established by Eckley
B. Coze, the mill was and operator. All
the books were proved. Loss \$15,000;
insurance, \$5,000.

Hewitt Opposes a Soldiers' Monument.

New Yous, Dec. 14.—The board of apportionment was urged to set apart \$20,000 for a soldiers' monument in this city.

For such a purpose the entire board must agree. Mayor flewitt declined to vote for the project because he 'viid not believe in compulsory patriotism."

Springfield, Ri., Dee 15.—At a meeting Thursday it was decided that the cities of Springfield, Quincy, Peoria, Davenport, Terre Haute and Evansville shall compose the Inter-State Base Ball League, and the question of admitting two other towns will be decided at a meeting to be held January 12.

Tarred and Feathered.

Oberlin, O., Dec. 18.—Frank Walcott, suspected as being the "informer" who caused the expulsion from Oberlin College of a number of sidents on charges of gambling and carousing, was tarred and leathered yesterday by masked men. DO NOT SUFFER ANY LONGER.

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NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES.

A. A. Week's only daughter, May, has been very sick with Pneumonia. Re-ported better.

Mr Jay Mason has sold out at Carson ty and with his family, returned to

ointed post master of the new office ear the Catholic church in south Grat

Mrs. J. I. Weeks received by mail

Mrs. Wm. Lessiter, Jan. 4, 1889, even-

their children and relatives.

A large company of friends met at the residence of H. D. Pond, Dec. 12, to give Rev. and Mrs. G. R. Bisby a farewell surprise, as Dec. 17, they depart for their new home in Cheago. It was a day long to be remembered, and at the parting hour the company chose Mr. Henry Green to place in our Pastors hands their gift of \$30, as a token of affectionate remembrance. The rain prevented many from hearing his farewell seranon of Dec. 16.

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The third surprise of last week was a bielday party, planned by friends for Miss Minnie Lessiter, Dec, 16, while she was home from her school visiting her parents. The company chose her brother, Bert Lessiter, to present their gifts in remembrance of the day, as follows: Boquet of paper flowers, her consin, Miss Rosa Weeks; gold pen with gold and ebony holder, Mr. Eddle Brooks, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Lessiter and H. Lessiter; bed quilt pieced and quilted by her grandmother, Mrs. W. S. Fuller, sged 69 years and from the company a very fine large plush Cabinet album. Mrs. P. McCanley, her aunt, read a beautiful poem, written for the occasion, and Miss Minnie L. returned to school duties feeling she had some warm home frienus here.

Moter Lete Elemen.

Morse Lake Ripples.

The funeral of Mr. Wm. Miller was held at the family residence Dec. 16th. Rev. Powell, of Lowell, officiating. There is a new saw mill at McCord

Mr. Skidmore has rented his saw mill at Alto to Mr. J. S. Thompson.

Pomona—Mrs. A. Denise. Flora—Mrs. Wm. Denise. Ceres—Mrs. C. G. Merriman.

Mr Almon D. Sayles, of Grand Rap ids, is visiting at Morse Lake. Mr. A

The L. & H. railroad company will put in a turn table at this place soon.

and with no prospect of ever getting it back again. Yes, trusts are bad things. On Friday night of last week, just as the evening train had arrived from Lowell, everyone within a radius of four miles was startled to hear a heavy explosion. Upon inquiry it was soon learned that an attempt had been made to demolish the railroad bridge crossing the Coldwater north of the yillage. A dynamite cartridge had been placed on the south end of the bridge and the explosion resulted in considerable injury to the plate and one of the stringers on the cest side, throwing the stringer some four inches out of line. The damage was not so great, however, as to prevent the train from returning to Lowell on schedule time. Several theories have been advanced as to the cause which led any person or persons, to destroy properly which so many of our people toiled nearly a month to construct. As well known, the railroad company have so far failed to meet their obligations for work performed on the extension south of Freeport, consequently have so far failed to meet their obliga-tions for work performed on the exten-soin south of Freeport, consequently many hear in town and vicinity sadly need every cent due them, but we can-not think of one who would take such a course to get their pay. It is certainly poor policy to destroy the property of those who owe us, and thus lesson their ability to meet outstanding obligations. —Herald.

Report of the Pallasburg School-Report of the Fallasburg School.

The following are the names of the scholars who were not absent a day during the month, ending Dec. 15th. Henry Mastenbrook, Clyde Lewis, Pearlie Mosher, Warren Hunter, Frank and Earl Beckwith, Willie and Anna Potruff, Willie Rexford, Myrtie and Mary Raymond. Number of scholars enrolled 24. Daily Attendance 22.

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Teacher.

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DIDN'T WANT A GIRL.

Grattan Gatherings. Miss Elste Lamberton is enjoying her elf with Grand Rapids friends.

Mrs. Julia A. Russell has gone to Chattanooga, Tenn., to spend the winter with her son, Norman.

In the item last week of Miss Elsie Lamberton's birthday gifts, several choice and expensive ones were over-looked, by mistake of our informant.

the set of silver teaspoons, from her rother, Mr. Frank Russell, of Luther. The next social of the Ashley and frattan Ladies Society will be held with

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Howard, of the Center, were taken completely by surprise, Dec. 10, as this was the fiftieth anniversary of their marriage—a period so seldom reached. They were each presented with golden bowed spectacles, that they might look back over the fifty years of happy companionship together. Also many other appropriate gifts from their children and relatives.

Mrs. Mark Warner is reported to be in

at Alto to Mr. J. S. Thompson.

At the annual election of South Low ell Ginge, the officers elected for the ensuing year are as follows:

W. M.—Mr. Merriman.
O.—Mr. D. Skidmore.
L.—Mr. W. Johnson.
S.—Mr. T. Stewart.
Asst. S.—Mr. F. Denise.
C.—Mrs. D. M. Skidmore.
Sec.—Mr. A. Denise.
T.—Mr. Wm. Denise.
G. K.—Lee Skidmore.
Pomona—Mrs. A. Denise.

The newspaper trust is the most ex-tensive and universal trust in this count-ry, and, instead of making monopolists of publishers, it makes them dependent paupers. To trust a thousand subscrib-ers from one to five years each, is virtu-ally lending a thousand dollars a year to Tom, Dick and Harry, without security and with no prospect of ever getting it back again. Yes, trusts are bad things.

Last summer my wife's health was all Last summer my wife's health was all run down, and she wanted me to hire a gurd to do the work. In a little while I found one I thought would suit her, when to my surprise she said I need not hire any one as she felt much better, and thought another bottle of Sulphur Bitters would cure her.

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She knows who "Santy Claus" ist



and with fand clasp greete,

There are few housewives that need any assistance in preparing any of these good things, so comment is restrained. If a more elaborate and modern menu is required we may offer a word. For ex-ample, the procession of the feast will be: Mmas now is fere. Beautiful and right it is that gifts and good wishes should fill the air like snow flakes at Christmas tide. And beautiful is the year in its coming and in its going—most beautiful and blessed because it is always the Year of Our Lord. ample, the procession of the feast will be Oysters.
Portage & Freine, Freine Standta, Sauce Tartan.
Besiloped Labster.
Boast Turkey, stuffed with Chestauts.
Frast Vention, Currant Jelly.
Mashed Potatoes. Sweet Co.
Geley. Cranberries. Reliabes.
Asparagus, White Sauce.
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Boast Chicksnor Duck, with Lettuce Saisd, Fren.
Dressing.
Plum Pudding.

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Plain Pudding,
Mince Pia, Neuerode Pudding,
Fruit, Nuts. Bosbons, Salted Almonds,
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Black Coffes,
Miss Corson suggests at the Christmas
dimper the old game of snap dragon.
Some raisins are laid on a large shallow
bowl or platter. A tablespoonful of
brandy, alcohol, or any spirit is poured
over them and lighted; the sport is to
catch a raisin, from the midst of the
flames without burning the fingers.
But don't, oh, don't catch your ince
ruffles a-tire and end the merry day in
pain.

A Daily Record of Events at the

right to vote for electors and Congress-men in South Carolina last month.

Washinotox, Dec. 12.—In the Scuate yesterday the time was occupied in dis-cussing the Tariff bill. A bill was intro-duced providing for the construction of torpedo-throwers for harbor defense.

Washinotox, Dec. 14.—A resolution was introduced in the Senate yesterday asking for a report as to the condition of Alaska, and especially as to the treatment of In-dian women by the white people. A bill was introduced for the admission of Idaho as a State. The Tariff bill was further

Oglesby Wednesday peremptorily refuse Mrs. Ciara Mackin, wife of Joseph Mackin a pardon for her busband. Mrs. Macki was greatly disappointed and is prostrate with grief. Mackin has still nine month

GRENADA, Miss., Dec. 17.—The express car attached to a passenger train on the Hil-nois Central read was robbed of \$0.00 Sat-urday night by two masked men nea Duck Hill. Many shots were fired, Churles Hughes, a passenger, being, killed.

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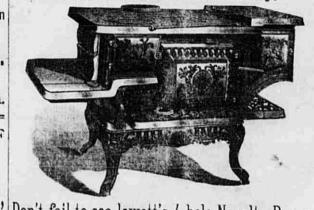
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Quite a number of control of the cases, just Barber.

Alternate—J. H. Godfrey.

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Quite a number of new books have
been added to the township library.
Said library will be open after Jan'y 1.

The display of fine parlor furniture,
marked down to rock bottom prices, at
Coons & McNaughton's is beautiful. You
should see it.

Arthur Town was arrested a few days
ago at Ionia for alleged complicity in
the recent robbery of Town & Sittle's
store at Muir.

The Board of School Inspectors appointed John Court to the office of assessor of school district No. 9, to fill vacancy, last Monday.

S. P. Hicks and wife go to Plainwell

Alternate—Mrs. I. Lamberton.
Installation second Wednesday aft
noon in January.

The annual election of Cobmosa Co

Ladics, you can have buttons made to match your cleaks or wraps at B. C. Smith's. Me has recently purchased a machine for button making.

The holidays are close at hand and what makes a more elegant and lasting present than a fine piece of furniture? Coons & McNaughton have it.

J. W. Boynton was in town Friday in company with the chief engineer of the M. & O., looking over the line of Jerry's prospective railroad extension.

Mrs. John Taylor's residence. Bag contained two five dollar bills, a tax receipt. Home Evidence and some change. The bag was red mo-rocco, small size, cords and tassels. A liberal reward will be paid for its return to my residence or the JOUNAL Office. Mrs. JOHN TAYLOR. Lowell, Dec. 18, 1888.

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Susie Walker has been very sick about

The C. L. S. C. met with Mrs. Ida English last week, and meets with Miss Jessie Hooker at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. Marton this week. Items are scarce; or, to tell the truth, we have not been home enough the past week to hear any news.

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Our delegates to the state grange are able to report a very interesting and successful meeting. The faces were all new except a few of the old wheel horses, like Gov. Luce, Hon. J. J. Woodman, Perry Mayo, Partridge, Hewett and Adams, and as many more of the opposite sex who were able to hold and did sustain their points in arguments with the most talented named above.

North Boston Items.

Mr. Win, Aldrich and Mrs. M. S. Ware went to Whitehall last week to attend the funeral of their sister, Mrs.

Joseph Denny, of Spring Lake, made his friends a visit Saturday and Sun-

F. M. Godfrey is making an extended visit in Kansas and Nebraska, with friends he has not seen in over 20 years. Melvin C. Gilbert, of this township sievin C. dibert, of this township, was, on the 13th inst united in wedlock with Miss Blanche Coles, daughter of Rev. H. Coles, of the same place. Their many friends will wish that prosperity may attend them and aid in assuring a long and pleasant voyage on the mat-rimonial sea.

Ada Affairs.

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ADA, Dec. 17.—At the annual communication of Ada Lodge No. 280, F. & A. M., held at Masonic hall in Ada, Dec. 17, the following officers were elected: W. M., W. J. Watterson; S. W., R. J. Harris; J. W., F. J. Archibald; Treasurer, J. R. Bradfield; Secretary, E. B. Clements; S. D., C. E. Danforth; J. D. D. M. Winters; Tyler, L. Densmore; Chaplain, W. J. Carle.

Mr. Ira Johnson has about thirty men chopping brick-yard wood on his farm in Ada. He has now over one thousand sords out and will cut three or four hun- give you prices. I chn suit

 A. Dake is slowly improving and there are strong hopes of his recovery. Frank Moon has been appointed super-risor, of Otisco, vice Charles Brown.

When you are ready to have your coal stove moved, call on Morgan & Smith.

Smith.

F. E. Sayles has purchased the undivided one half interest of M. B. Divine & Co., in the stave factory property in this village also in the property at Ionia and Belding. The fact that Mr. Sayles has purchased this is significant as he is connected with the R. Stafford Company, of Milwaukee, and the indications are that the company is interested in the concern. We have heard it hinted that the new firm will engage in other manufacturing in connection with the stave and cooperage business. The new firm will be known as Fitzgibbons & Co.—Local.

Vergennes Visitor.

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Robinson have visiting friends near Grand Haven. on; wells, cisterns and especially wheat needed at. Mr. and Mrs. Densmore, of Livo N. Y., and Mr. and Mrs. Philips, of N. Y., and Mr. and Mrs. Philips, of J., are visiting at Wm. Y. Schenk's.

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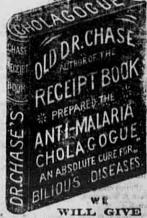
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