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THE POLITICAL FIELD.

State Conventions Held in Iowa and Michigan.

Republicans in the Hawkeye Commonwealth Select Delegates to the National Meeting—Michigan Prohibitionists Follow Suit.

IOWA REPUBLICANS.

DES MOINES, Ia., March 18.—The republican state convention met in this city yesterday and nominated delegates to the national convention. The delegation as chosen will vote for President Harrison, although unopposed, and the significant action demonstrated the fact that the party in Iowa is determined to cut loose from prohibition as a party measure. About 1,000 delegates were in attendance.

Ex-Congressman Isaac S. Struble, of Le Mars, was made permanent chairman. The following were chosen as delegates at large to Minneapolis: D. C. Chase, John H. Gear, E. E. Mack and J. S. Clarkson.

A resolution indorsing prohibition was presented to the committee on resolutions and voted down. The platform as presented and adopted deals entirely with national issues. It is brief and general in its scope. Following is a synopsis:

It declares that the republicans of Iowa enter upon the campaign with full confidence that the party in its national convention will make a declaration of principles and nominate a ticket to full harmony with the republican past and that it will be true to the purpose and conviction of the party. In order to eliminate state issues from the approaching campaign it declares that there is no test of fealty to the national republican party other than adherence to the platform. The administration of President Harrison is cordially endorsed; he has kept every pledge made by the party and surrounded himself by a cabinet which has added new laurels to American state-manship. Republicans in all parts of the state are urged to ignore local issues and unite for victory on the national platform.

MICHIGAN PROHIBITIONISTS.

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., March 19.—The prohibition state convention elected John Russell, of Detroit, chairman of the state central committee; Brent Harding, of Bay City, secretary; Rev. W. C. Cleo, of Birmingham, treasurer, and Charles P. Russell and Gideon Vivier, of Detroit, members of the executive committee. Delegates at large to the national convention in Cincinnati elected are: John Russell of Detroit, Samuel Dickie of Albion, Mary T. Lathrop of Jackson and A. B. Cheeney of Grand Rapids. Twenty-one more delegates at large and two more from each district will be chosen. The committee on platform submitted a long report. It favors free silver and tariff for revenue only; declares against trusts; favors rigid state and national control of railroad, express, telegraph and telephone lines; demands the revision of naturalization laws, and declares that the "prohibition party cannot entertain any proposition to cooperate with a reform party that does not antagonize the liquor traffic as earnestly as it does other monopolies, false finance and other vicious legislation." The last plank declares the rapid increase of large landed estates and favors the limitation of individual and cooperative ownership of land.

SALISBURY HEARD FROM.

Belief that He Refuses to Extend the *Modus Vivendi*.

WASHINGTON, March 21.—Lord Salisbury has sent a communication to this government in reply to the note of Acting Secretary Wharton, of the state department, requesting a renewal of the *modus vivendi* for the protection of seal life in Behring sea during the coming season. The communication was received Sunday and submitted to the president. The contents of the dispatch could not be ascertained, but it is understood that it contains the refusal of Lord Salisbury to extend the *modus vivendi* for another year.

A New Solicitor General.

WASHINGTON, March 19.—The president sent to the senate the following nomination: Charles H. Aldrich, of Illinois, to be solicitor general, vice William H. Taft, resigned. Judge W. H. Taft tendered his resignation as United States solicitor general, and made preparations to assume his new duties as judge of the circuit court of appeals for the Sixteenth district.

Released After Fifteen Years.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., March 19.—Michael Lyons was a resident of Minneapolis in 1877. One day in June he came home drunk and ended up a row with his wife by killing her. Lyons was sentenced to the penitentiary at Stillwater for life. He was released Wednesday by Gov. Merriam exercising the pardoning power. Lyons was 65 years of age and had been fifteen years imprisoned.

Big Snowstorm in Kansas.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., March 21.—A snowstorm exceeding in severity any of last winter or this spring has been raging in Kansas. The snow lies 8 inches deep on the level throughout a great part of the state and at some points is reported drifting. All the railways report more or less inter-

ference with their traffic, but not enough to stall trains.

Pierced by a Coupling Link.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., March 19.—Frank McKee, a switchman in the Pan-Handle yards, was making a running switch Friday when he was caught between two draw bars. The coupling link passed entirely through his body and held him writhing in agony. He died a few minutes later.

Judge Shepard Promoted.

OTTAWA, Ill., March 19.—The Illinois supreme court has accepted the resignation of Judge Moran, of the appellate court, and Judge Henry H. Shepard was appointed as his successor. Judge Shepard is at present judge of the superior court in Cook county.

Fell from the Steeple.

LIVERMORE FALLS, Me., March 18.—Charles Shaw, of Portland, widely known as "Steeple Jack," while repairing the spire of a church at South Livermore, fell from the top and was instantly killed.

CRISIS IN GERMANY.

CHANCELLOR Von Caprivi Resigns His Seat in the Cabinet.

BERLIN, March 19.—Berlin is startled by the announcement of Chancellor von Caprivi's resignation. The report of his action excited the greatest sensation throughout the city, and crowds throng the Unter den Linden discussing the ministerial crisis. Caprivi offered his resignation at the cabinet meeting as the result of the protracted contest on the education bill which the chancellor, as Prussian premier, has championed from the first.

The immediate cause of Caprivi's resignation is said to be that at the cabinet meeting the kaiser substantially stated that he favored a material modification of the education bill. As Caprivi had substantially stated in the landtag that he would stand or fall by the bill as it was, he felt bound in honor to resign. The kaiser's choice now is either to force the bill through as it stands or to accept Caprivi's resignation. The kaiser is known to be deeply attached to Caprivi, and it is thought that he may insist upon the chancellor remaining and call upon the conservative and ultramontane combination in the landtag to pass the bill.

Count Zeditz and Trutzshier, Prussian minister of ecclesiastical affairs and of public instruction, has followed the chancellor's example and tendered his resignation to the kaiser.

SEVERE UPON CATTLE.

The Storm that Swept from Wyoming to Central Texas Causes Great Loss.

ST. LOUIS, March 19.—The severe snow and wind storm which has raged during several days past over the Rocky mountain country from Wyoming to central Texas, has been exceedingly severe upon live stock. In southern Colorado the loss to cattle and sheep will be very great, while thousands have been frozen to death in New Mexico and northern Texas. It is estimated that 20,000 cattle have perished along the line of the Denver, Texas & Gulf road between Trinidad, Col., and Fort Worth during the past week and as many more north and east of Trinidad.

FORT WORTH, Tex., March 21.—It is estimated that the losses to stock and sheep men by the blizzard in Texas will reach \$200,000.

NEW JUDGES.

The Senate Confirms All of President Harrison's Nominations.

WASHINGTON, March 18.—In executive session yesterday the senate confirmed the following appellate court justices nominated by the president: William L. Putnam, of Maine, First circuit; Nathaniel Shipman, of Connecticut, Second circuit; George M. Dallas, of Pennsylvania, Third circuit; Nathan Goff, of West Virginia, Fourth circuit; Andrew P. McCormick, of Texas, Fifth circuit; William H. Taft, of Ohio, Sixth circuit; William A. Woods, of Indiana, Seventh circuit; Walter H. Sanborn, of Minnesota, Eighth circuit; Joseph McKenna, of California, Ninth circuit.

TWENTY-NINE-YEAR-OLD BABY.

A Remarkable Ohio Child's Life Was Spent in the Cradle.

UPPER SANDUSKY, O., March 21.—There died Saturday night at Wharton, in the western part of the county, one of the most remarkable of creatures, an "infant" aged 29 years. The child, or young man, was the son of Austin Borden, and during all the years of his life was nothing more than a mere babe. It developed in no respect, and died in its cradle. It could neither talk, walk, nor recognize anyone, and was as helpless when it reached its manhood as the day it was born. Doctors were completely baffled and could do nothing, and for twenty-nine years its death has been patiently waited.

Don't Want Fusion.

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., March 18.—Prohibitionists of Michigan began their state convention here Thursday. A resolution antagonizing fusion with the people's party was adopted.

IVES IS KING.

The Michigan Billiard Expert Easily Defeats Jake Schaefer at the Balk-Line Game for the World's Championship.

CHICAGO, March 21.—Frank Ives defeated Jake Schaefer in the 14-inch balk-line billiard game at Central Music hall Saturday night. Schaefer's score was 499 when Ives had reached 800. The conditions of the match were 800 points up for \$500 a side, the winner to take the gross receipts and the loser to pay all expenses. The world's championship emblem at 14-inch balk-line was also involved. The match has been the talk of the country for weeks past and many delegations from outside cities were in the hall when play commenced. Schaefer lays his defeat to the fact that the balls used were not true, rendering it impossible for him to effectively employ the delicate stroke which has made him so famous, and, while his opponent, of course, used the same implements, their false shape did not hinder him from scoring points, because his style of play was not such as could be materially affected.

It required over four hours to finish the game which consisted of forty-nine innings. At the close the score stood: Ives, 800; Schaefer, 499. Ives' average, 16 to 49; Schaefer's average, 10 to 48. Ives' best run, 95; Schaefer's best run, 45. George Slosson has challenged the winner for a match for the world's championship and \$500.

MONEY FOR RIVERS.

The Bill to Be Reported Appropriates \$21,000,000—Of This Amount the Mississippi Gets \$4,000,000 a Year to Be Used Between Its Mouth and St. Paul and the Secretary of War Authorized to Make Contracts for \$12,000,000 Worth of Work.

WASHINGTON, March 21.—The river and harbor bill will be reported to the house soon. It will carry \$20,000,000 or \$21,000,000. Several new projects are incorporated in the bill, the principal ones being the Hudson river improvement, the improvement of the Mobile harbor and the Savannah river, and the deep water channel on the great lakes.

The committee has adopted for the Mississippi river a proposition submitted by Chairman Blanchard, and the bill contains an appropriation of \$4,000,000 for the Mississippi river from its mouth to St. Paul. It authorizes the secretary of war to make contracts for \$12,000,000 more of work on the river from its mouth to St. Paul, to be expended in sums of \$4,000,000 a year, and to be paid for as appropriations are made from time to time by congress. This added to the \$4,000,000 which the bill itself appropriates, makes \$16,000,000 for the whole river, to be expended in four years, at the rate of \$4,000,000 a year.

CONFESSED HER CRIME.

Minnie Johnson Admits She Set Fire to the Indiana Reformatory.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., March 21.—A few weeks ago the Indiana state reformatory worth \$800,000 burned to the ground. The origin of the fire was somewhat of a mystery. Sunday Minnie Johnson confessed that she had set the building on fire. She was a bad, incorrigible girl, 17 years old, sent to the prison from Richmond. She says that she was ironing at the time in the laundry and she set fire to some rags that were wrapped around the iron holder and then put the blazing mass on the wooden shelving, which soon caught fire and communicated with other inflammable material.

Has Burned Four Times.

CHICAGO, March 21.—The Burton block at Van Buren and Clinton streets, which stands on the site of an old Indian graveyard, was again, for the fourth time in as many years, visited by a disastrous fire Saturday evening. The fire broke out about 5:30 p. m., and before it was stopped had done nearly \$100,000 damage. Police Officer John Mitchell and Fireman Martin McCavoey were caught by falling walls. Mitchell's leg was broken and he was badly burned, while the other sustained severe bruises and burns.

Released a Murderer.

HAMILTON, W. Va., March 21.—A mob of masked men surrounded the jail, forced an entrance by covering Jailer Johnson with revolvers and released Frank Dawson, who was held at the request of the sheriff of Boone county for murdering James Smith. The masked men greeted Dawson with cheers when he appeared and rode off with him, but who they were or where they came from is not known.

Montana Horses Dying.

BATTLE CREEK, Mich., March 21.—In response to a telegram from the state veterinary surgeon of Montana Dr. Paul Pagnin, professor of bacteriology and hygiene at the Battle Creek sanitarium, has gone to assist in quelling a dangerous epidemic that has broken out among the horses in that state. Fifty thousand dollars' worth of horses have died already.

Thrown from a Wagon and Killed.

AUGUSTA, Wis., March 21.—James Hume attempted to drive across the railroad track, near this place, in front of an express train. A pair of horses hitched behind the wagon became frightened and held the wagon on the track until struck by the engine. Hume was thrown out and instantly killed. The horses were also killed.

Good Showing for Michigan University.

ANN ARBOR, Mich., March 21.—The net number of students now registered at the university of Michigan is 2,691, the largest number ever attending any American institution of learning and leading Harvard by twenty-eight.

SMALL TOWNS IN LUCK.

Probability That Uncle Sam Will Give Them Public Buildings.

ILLINOIS WILL BE ENTITLED TO EIGHTY; INDIANA, THIRTY-NINE; IOWA, FIFTY-NINE; MICHIGAN, FIFTY; AND WISCONSIN THIRTY-NINE.

BUILDINGS FOR SMALL PLACES.

WASHINGTON, March 21.—An effort will be made to get a favorable report from the house committee on public buildings on the senate bill for the construction of post office buildings. The bill authorizes the buildings in towns whose post office gross receipts have reached \$8,000 annually for a period of three years. In order that the measure might stand some show in the house the senate struck out an appropriation of \$500,000 which the bill carried for the current year. Should the law be enacted the following towns in Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan and Wisconsin would be entitled to public buildings:

- ILLINOIS: Aledo, Amboy, Anna, Arcola, Beardstown, Belvidere, Bushnell, Carbondale, Carlisle, Mount Carroll, Mount Vernon, Murphysboro, Naperville, Normal, Oregon, Pana, Paxton, Peru, Petersburg, Pittsfield, Polo, Pontiac, Rochelle, Rock Falls, Rushville, Sandwich, Savanna, Shelbyville, South Elvanston, Sparta, Sycamore, Taylorville, Tuscola, Urbana, Vandalia, Watseka, Wisconsin, Whitehall, Woodstock.
- INDIANA: Angola, Attica, Auburn, Aurora, Bedford, Bloomington, Bluffton, Brazil, Columbia City, Danville, Decatur, Delhi, Franklin, Greensburg, Hammond, Jeffersonville, Kendallville, La Grange, Lawrenceburg, Lebanon, Ligonier, Mishawaka, Mount Vernon, New Castle, Northsville, North Manchester, Notre Dame, Plymouth, Portland, Princeton, Rochester, Rushville, Seymour, Sullivan, Tipton, Union City, Warsaw, Washington, Winchester.
- IOWA: Albia, Algona, Ames, Anamosa, Audubon, Bedford, Belle Plaine, Bloomfield, Carroll, Centralia, Charles City, Cherokee, Clear Lake, Corning, Cresco, Denison, Eldora, Emmetsburg, Fairfield, Glenwood, Hampton, Harlan, Ida Grove, Indianola, Iowa Falls, Jefferson, Knoxville, Lyons, McGregor, Manchester, Maquoket, Marengo, Marion, Missouri Valley, Monticello, Mount Vernon, Nevada, New Hampton, Newton, Odebolt, Osceola, Okeok, Pella, Perry, Sheldon, Spencer, Storm Lake, Stuart, Tipton, Toledo, Villisca, Vinton, Washington, Waverly, Webster City, West Union, What Cheer, Winterset.

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MICHIGAN.

Allegan, Alma, Benton Harbor, Bessemer, Bushman, Cadillac, Calumet, Caro, Cheboygan, Dowagiac, Fenton, Grand Haven, Greenville, Hancock, Hastings, Holland, Holly, Houghton, Howell, Hudson, Ithaca, LaPere, Lowell, Ludington, Manistigue, Midland, Monroe, Mount Clemens, Mount Pleasant, Negaunee, Niles, Northville, Oshtemo, Ovid, Paw Paw, Petoskey, Portland, Quincy, Red Jacket, Reed City, Romeo, St. Ignace, St. John, St. Joseph, St. Louis, Stanton, Sturgis, Tecumseh, Three Rivers, West Bay City.

WISCONSIN.

Antigo, Baraboo, Beaver Dam, Berlin, Black River Falls, Columbus, Delavan, De Pere, Fort Atkinson, Fort Howard, Hudson, Hurley, Jefferson, Lake Geneva, Lancaster, Menasha, Menomonie, Mineral Point, Monroe, Neenah, Neillsville, New Richmond, Oconomowoc, Oconto, Plattville, Portage, Richland Center, Ripon, River Falls, Sparta, Stoughton, Tomah, Wausau, Waupun, Whitewater.

A HEAVY LOSS.

A United States Express Car is Burned with its Contents.

ST. LOUIS, March 18.—Between 5 and 6 o'clock a. m. Thursday the United States express car on the Wabash, filled with express for St. Louis, caught fire from a stove when near Honey Bend station, Ill. The car was a total loss, as was also a great amount of express matter. In the safe was \$50,000, in ones, twos and fives, currency, consigned from Washington to the sub-treasury in this city. The safe was heated red-hot and the currency was charred, some of it beyond recognition—all so much so as to be of no value. The federal authorities think the express company will not lose the entire amount.

Fell into Honest Hands.

CHICAGO, March 21.—Ex-Senator Bowen, stopping at the Palmer house in this city, left his vest, containing \$18,000 in cash and \$90,000 in government bonds in one of the bath-rooms. It was found later on by E. A. Watson, a colored employe of the hotel, who at once turned it over to Clerk Cunningham. Mr. Bowen, greatly agitated, informed the clerk of his loss, and was soon relieved of his anxiety. It is understood that the faithful employe was amply rewarded for his honesty.

"God Save America."

LIBAU, March 21.—The following dispatch has been sent to the mayor of Philadelphia by the Russian Relief society: "The Russian Relief society warmly welcomes the dear American brethren who arrived in the Indiana and prays you to transmit to the inhabitants of Philadelphia an expression of the society's lasting gratitude. God save America."

Boyd Firmly Seated.

OMAHA, Neb., March 18.—The supreme court at Lincoln called upon the case of the state, ex rel Thayer vs. James E. Boyd, and on motion of Gov. Boyd's counsel confirmed the judgment and dismissed the case at Thayer's costs. This practically ends the case.

The Judgment Begun.

BOSTON, March 21.—Lient. Totten, U. S. A., professor of military science and tactics at Yale university, lectured at Music hall Saturday afternoon on "The New Star of the East." He said that March 20, 1892, might be looked upon as the beginning of judgment.

Death of Timothy A. Chapman.

MILWAUKEE, March 21.—Timothy A. Chapman, the great Milwaukee mer-

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chant, died at his residence in this city at 8:35 o'clock Saturday night of pneumonia. He had been engaged in business here since 1857.

Col. Mapleson Paralyzed.

LONDON, March 21.—Col. Mapleson, the well-known operatic manager, has been stricken with paralysis and is in Paris in a dangerous condition.

A POLITICAL ROW.

Results in the Shooting of "Johnnie" Considine at Detroit.

DETROIT, Mich., March 21.—R. J. McCarthy, the inventor of the cash carrier system, and one of the richest men in the city, at Swan's restaurant at 10 o'clock Saturday night shot and fatally wounded the notorious Johnnie Considine. Considine was awaiting a trial for the abduction of Millionaire Perrine. The row grew out of a political quarrel. McCarthy struck ex-Mayor William G. Thompson, leader of the Hill forces in Michigan, blacking his eye, at the Russell house earlier in the evening. Considine took up Thompson's quarrel at Swan's with the above result. The bullet entered the body just above the heart. Considine was removed to the hospital and McCarthy was arrested. The affair has caused the greatest excitement in political and criminal circles in this city, for all the persons implicated have a national reputation.

IOWA LEGISLATURE.

The Outline of Saturday's Doings in the Senate.

DES MOINES, Ia., March 21.—The senate on Saturday concurred in the house amendments to the soldiers' monument bill increasing the bond of contractors to \$10,000, and so the bill only awaits the governor's signature and publication to become a law. Senator Yeoman's bill to allow proprietors of packing houses to issue warehouse receipts upon products in their houses and fixing severe penalties for frauds in such receipts was passed by the senate. Senator Smith's bill to permit city councils of all cities of 4,000 population or over to order paving and issue bonds and certificates against abutting property was passed. Senator McCall's bill to compel all passenger trains to stop at county seats was ordered engrossed in spite of an unfavorable report from the committee on railroads.

DAMAGES FOR A PRAIRIE FIRE.

FOND DU LAC Farmers Must Pay for Hay and Grass Destroyed.

FOND DU LAC, Wis., March 21.—A large portion of Horicon marsh, a few miles south of this city, was burned over last September and a large quantity of cut hay and second growth grass destroyed. The loss footed up many thousands dollars. The responsibility for the fire was placed upon farmers who burned the grass about their stacks for their own protection and let the fire get beyond their control. George W. Brown brought suit against Clinton Brooks, C. Odekirk and B. Fairbanks for setting these fires and to recover the value of his hay. It was made a test case and has been stubbornly fought in the Fond du Lac circuit court this week. Saturday the jury rendered a verdict for the plaintiff with \$200 damages. Other suits will now be brought to cover the balance of the loss.

A VILLAGE SWEEP BY FLAMES.

HOMER, Ill., Suffers Heavily for Several Hours—Loss, \$75,000.

CHAMPAIGN, Ill., March 21.—The village of Homer Saturday experienced the most disastrous conflagration known in its history. From 9 a. m. until 12:30 p. m. the flames raged with unabated fury, and there was no apparatus at hand with which to fight the fire. A strong wind fanned the flames and within thirty minutes the fire was beyond the control of the volunteer bucket brigade. It made a clean sweep from the city square north on Main street and west on First street. The fire department of Danville was telegraphed for, but was unable to reach the scene before the fire had burned itself out. The business portion of the town is in ashes, as well as a large number of dwelling houses, involving a loss of more than \$75,000.

Murdered His Uncle.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., March 21.—At Barboursville Elliott Baker was convicted of the murder of his uncle, William Baker, and his punishment fixed at life imprisonment. The killing grew out of a dispute over land. William Baker was trespassing on his nephew's property when killed.

Rev. Thomas Sproull Dead.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., March 21.—Rev. Thomas Sproull, D. D., LL. D., died at 1 o'clock, a. m. He was long and favorably known in connection with the Reformed Presbyterian church.

Another Failure.

DENVER, Col., March 21.—Rab Brothers, wholesale liquor dealers, assigned Saturday for \$64,400. The failure was due to the Boehm & Co. failure. The assets of the firm are \$40,000. It is rumored that several other firms will have to go under.

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MINOR NEWS ITEMS.

For the Week Ending March 31. An explosion of nitro-glycerine at Sosa, Switzerland, destroyed ten lives.

WAR IN VENEZUELA.

Opponents of the Present Government March to Arma. New York, March 19.—A cablegram from Caracas, Venezuela, to the Herald announces that the opposition to President Palacios has resulted in a resort to arms.

ABOUT TEA AND COFFEE.

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HERE AND THERE. Noss Family. The Noss Family is coming to Lowell. The Noss family at Train's Opera House Saturday, April 2nd, 92.

HE WILL GET THE MONEY. James Elmdorff Secures Judgment Against the Citizens Mutual Fire Insurance Company. In June, 1890, James Elmdorff's house, a complete fireproof building, was burned and the Citizens Mutual Fire Insurance Co. refused to pay the policy.

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To the Electors of the Township of Lowell. The Township Board of the Township of Lowell, County of Kent, and State of Michigan, do hereby give notice that the first election in Election District No. one (1) of said township, on the fourth day of April, 1892, will be held at Music Hall, in said Election District.

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The daughter of Charles K. Orr, of Birmingham, Oakland county, has eloped with a negro. So far as can be ascertained the couple have failed to take out a marriage license.

On last Thursday evening a number of friends and neighbors met at the home of Mr and Mrs H. M. Gunnison, in Saginaw.

Our new goods will be in this week, which will be the finest and largest assortment ever shown here, and will be sold at prices that will surprise all.

Having sold out my business I hereby give notice that all accounts owing to me should be settled at once.

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LOCAL HAPPENINGS.

Best in town, J. L. T. cigar. Will Clark was home on Sunday. Orti Hill spent Sunday in Lowell. Joe Talbot is again able to be on the street. Ernest Hunt is spending the week in Detroit. Snook J. L. T. cigar, made by John L. Taylor. Dr. and Mrs. Brooks are spending a week in Chicago. F. L. Fallas, of Grand Rapids, has moved to Lowell. Mrs. Nelson Collar is visiting friends in Grand Rapids. Snook J. L. T. cigar, best in town, made by J. L. Taylor.

Miss Pink Coles spent Sunday with her aunt, Mrs. S. Finch. Miss Jennie Gordon, of Kalamazoo, was in Lowell on Monday. Nelson Beckwith, of near Fallsburg, left Monday for Denver, Col. If you want the genuine 'old jell' oil drop a postal to Eugene Calkins. J. L. T. cigar, best in town. Jay Medler, of Washington, D. C., is visiting his old time friends here. Misses Rosa and Anna Lockwood spent Sunday with a sister in Grand Rapids.

Geo. Dewey, of Jackson, visited his niece, Mrs. C. S. Larzere, over Sunday. Ray Batchelor left Monday for Portland, Ore., to grow up with the country. Born to Mr and Mrs A. W. Hine, Monday, March 21st, 1892, Marion E. Hine. Miss Anna Lockwood, of Northreed, is visiting her sister, Miss Rosa Lockwood. Mrs. Geo. H. Ford and two sons spent Saturday and Sunday with Grand Rapids friends.

Alfred Archibald, of Grand Rapids, spent Sunday with his wife at L. C. Eldred's. Mrs. H. Wiley is moving to the village. She will occupy the "Doranna" house on King street. Thos. Shepard, of Kalamazoo, has been visiting relatives, in and near Lowell, the past week. Ross Colvin and a brother left Monday for the west. Their first objective point being Denver Col.

Miss Belle Power, of Grand Rapids, visited Lowell friends last week and attended the 91-92 club party. Cadillac is the possessor of three new brass bands which practice nightly in different portions of the city. J. C. Wardwell and family leave this week for Mackinaw City, which place they will make their future home. Mr and Mrs R. Quick went to Eaton Rapids, Monday, to attend the funeral of Mrs. Quick's uncle, Alvin Snyder.

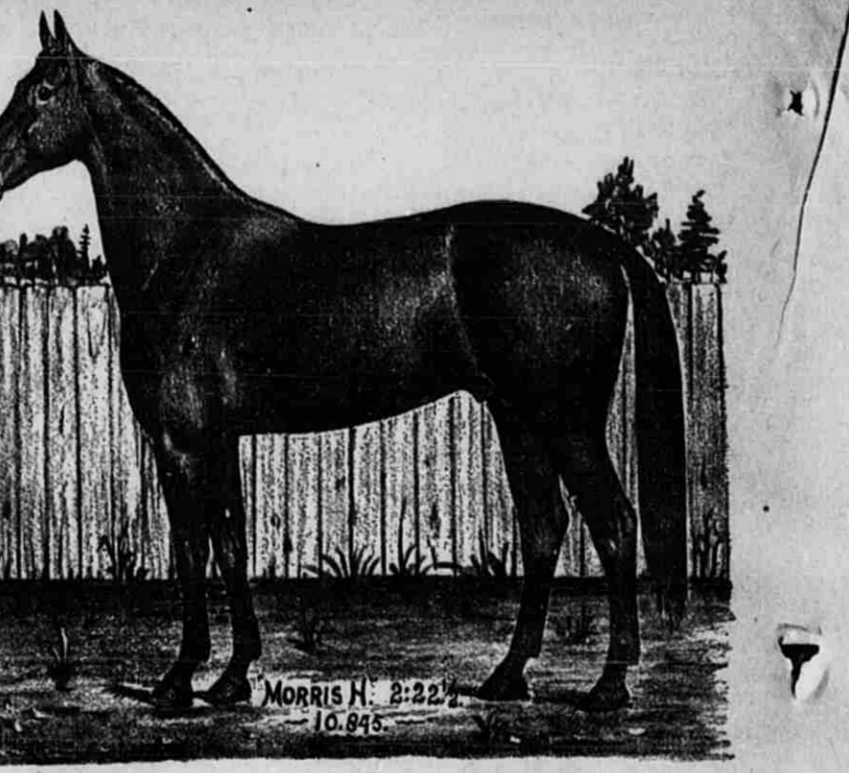
Ed L. Bennett, who has been spending the winter in Florida, looking after his orange grove, arrived home last Friday. Eugene Calkins has started an oil wagon and will sell the "old taff" formerly handled by the Lowell Grocery company. Joyce Terry an old time Lowellite, who left here in '61, visited Mrs W. J. Ecker and other old time friends last week.

Benson Hawley, an old time Lowellite, who has been the past year in the south, dropped in on his many friends Tuesday. Mr and Mrs Clayton Fallas returned Tuesday (Tuesday) from San Angelo, Texas where they have been the past three months. The Ness Family are the leading players of musical comedy, and the only company traveling introducing a Quintette of Saxophones.

The ladies of the Congregational church will give a Pancake and Maple Syrup supper, Wednesday March 30th, in Graham's building from 5 to 8 p. m. The Ness Family are the leading players of musical comedy, and the only company traveling introducing a Quintette of Saxophones. The ladies of the Congregational church will give a Pancake and Maple Syrup supper, Wednesday March 30th, in Graham's building from 5 to 8 p. m.

The Island Improvement committee has at last aroused itself from its hibernation and is beginning to rustle for its pet improvement. At a meeting Monday evening a great deal of enthusiasm was manifested and a program for an active campaign laid out. A series of "Gospel services" are on progress at the M. E. church. Pastor and people are laboring in hearty cooperation for the success of the work. There is a cordial invitation for all christian workers to come and take part and a welcome for everyone.

Miss Minnie Morley, of Grand Rapids, is conducting a school of dancing at Music Hall, on Saturdays at 8 o'clock p. m. for little people and on Fridays at 7:30 p. m. for young people and others who wish to learn Waltzing and all the latest round dances. Terms on application. A humorous fact about Hood's Sarsaparilla - it cures bad humor and creates good humor. Be sure to get Hood's. Hood's Pills cure habitual constipation.



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TIME TABLE. IN EFFECT Dec. 6th, 1891.

STATIONS.	Lowell.	Grand Rapids.	Chicago.
Lowell	7:10	8:15	9:15
Grand Rapids	8:45	9:50	10:50
Chicago	10:15	11:20	12:20

LOCAL POLITICS. The township canvases will be held Monday and local politics are looking up. The air is full of talk of the availability of this one or that one. The Dems are entirely satisfied with the head of their ticket, our present supervisor, Chris Berzin, and no other name has been mentioned yet for that post. For township clerk there are Robt. W. Fisher, Albert Pook and George B. Fisher, all quite prominently mentioned; for treasurer John S. Eggleston has the nomination practically conceded to him, although there is an element who are pushing J. E. Lee for the place; for highway commissioner Richard Murphy and Lemmon Cogswell are the ones mentioned. For the balance of the ticket there is no dearth of candidates, in fact the woods are full of them, for it is a well known fact that to be a Democrat is to be an announced candidate for any or all offices in the category.

Among the Republicans there is no scarcity of good timber, and prominently mentioned for supervisor are G. H. Force, A. W. Weeks, and A. L. Coons, either of whom would be a sure winner for clerk no one but the present incumbent, Frank D. Eddy, has been mentioned. Frank makes a first class officer, always obliging and ready to serve, and if nominated is sure of election. For treasurer the only ones mentioned are A. L. Coons and Henry N. Stone. A. L. Coons is the present treasurer. He is not a candidate for re-election. For highway commissioner William Murphy, our present efficient commissioner, and C. O. Hill are both mentioned and either would be fully capable and add strength to the ticket. The balance of the ticket will be made up of first class timber and will prove a winner.

In the village the Republicans mention A. W. Weeks, S. P. Hicks and A. L. Coons for president; C. W. Wisner, E. R. Collar, A. B. Johnson and A. L. Coons for trustee; J. H. Ricketts and S. P. Hicks for recorder; Chandler Johnson and Willis Winegar for assessor; and for marshal Theodore Mueller, Mio Hart and Theodore W. Mason are each prominently mentioned and each have a strong following.

In the democratic ranks Dr. O. C. McDannell and Robt. W. Graham are spoken of for president; J. E. Lee has a walk away for trustee; Albe Peck and John S. Hooker for recorder; S. Brower for assessor; and anybody but Sam Edmonds for marshal. Sam Edmonds during his official career made an efficient officer, in fact altogether too efficient for the party he trains in. The prospects are for a hot local campaign, and it is the duty of every citizen to turn out and attend the caucus and see that only the best are nominated.

REGISTRATION NOTICE. To the Electors of the Village of Lowell. You are hereby notified that a meeting of the Board of Registration for the Village of Lowell will be held at the office of the Town Clerk in said Village, on Saturday April 24, 1892, for the purpose of registering the names of all such persons as shall be possessed of the necessary qualifications of Electors in said village, who may apply for that purpose, and that said Board will be open session on the day aforesaid from nine o'clock in the forenoon until five o'clock in the afternoon for purpose aforesaid. Dated this 14th day of March, 1892. O. C. McDANSELL, Acting Recorder.

PARDONED. Gov. Boies gives a Life Prisoner His Freedom. DES MOINES, Ia., March 21.—Gov. Boies has pardoned John S. Little, who is serving a life term in the State Prison for murder. In September, 1874, at Newton Little killed a man who had been unduly intimate with his wife. For the crime he was tried and sentenced to the penitentiary for life and has been in there since October, 1875. He was a soldier in the Second Iowa, and his comrades secured the passage of an act by the legislature authorizing the governor to pardon him. He is a white-haired man now, having spent nearly seventeen years in the penitentiary.

INTERNAL REVENUE RECEIPTS. PITTSBURGH, Pa., March 19.—Patrick Miller, a gate keeper, living on James street, fatally shot his wife and then killed himself. The cause was a quarrel over a life insurance policy. Miller was the wife of the late John Miller, who was killed by the wife that her husband was leading a double life.

REPUBLICAN CAUCUS. The Republican voters of the township of Lowell, will meet in caucus on Monday, March 28, at 10 o'clock at Music Hall for the purpose of placing in nomination a full township ticket for the township election and also to elect their delegate and three alternate delegates for the County Convention to be held April 7, at Grand Rapids, and to transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting. By Order of COMMITTEE. Dated, Lowell, March 18, 1892.

SPERMILIN CASES. S. H. Clifford, New Cassel, Wis., was troubled with Neuralgia and Rheumatism, his stomach was disordered, his bowels were affected to such a degree, appetite fell away, and he was terribly afflicted in flesh and strength. Three bottles of Electric Bitters cured him. Edward Shepard, Harrison, Ill., had a running sore on his leg, eight years standing. Used three bottles of Electric Bitters and seven boxes of Bucklen's Arnica ointment. The sore is sound and well. John Spoker, Catawba, O., had five large Fever sores on his face, which were cured by three bottles of Electric Bitters and one box of Bucklen's Arnica ointment. Sold at Hunter & Son's Drug Store.

FIFTY-SECOND CONGRESS.

Work of the National Lawmakers in Washington. A Daily Summary of the Proceedings in the Senate and House—Including the Proposed New Measures Introduced.

WASHINGTON, March 16.—Hills were introduced in the senate yesterday in a just measure for the rights of the Indian in Indian territory, with a view of having that territory admitted as a state; to increase the facilities of the post office department for obtaining the use of buildings for post office purposes; to regulate the value of certain coins and pieces of money and to give to all sorts of current money the legal tender quality of the military academy appropriation bill was passed.

WASHINGTON, March 17.—In the senate yesterday Mr. Peffer (Kan.) introduced a bill for the relief of the strongest incentive to crime for the poor and live among the rich; for protecting the Almatos from the Indians of undue alien competition, and for other purposes; the fund to be furnished by a graduated tax on incomes. A bill was reported for the construction of three battle ships.

WASHINGTON, March 18.—The bill making Council Bluffs, Ia., a port of delivery was passed in the senate yesterday. A bill was introduced to establish an electric experimental station to determine whether electricity can be profitably used to propel farm machinery. A joint resolution for a national marriage and divorce law was introduced.

WASHINGTON, March 19.—In the senate yesterday bills were reported to fix a uniform standard of classification of wheat, corn, cotton, etc., to provide for the punishment of offenses on the high seas; to promote silk culture; appropriating \$30,000 for the state of Gen. W. D. Mesick, etc. A bill was passed in the senate yesterday for the relief of the people of the state of Iowa, and for other purposes.

WASHINGTON, March 20.—The conference report to the urgent deficiency bill was reported in the house yesterday. A bill was reported to repeal the mail subsidy act. The tariff bill was discussed. Mr. Walker (Mass.) speaking in favor of the McKinley tariff, and Messrs. Scott (Ill.) and Dockery (Mo.) against it.

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WASHINGTON, March 23.—The receipts from internal revenue during the first eight months of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1892, were \$100,657,335, an increase of \$8,778,078 over the corresponding period of last year.

WASHINGTON, March 24.—Frank Pres. of Michigan, died at Jackson, Mich., in this city, in the 14th hall-line building here Saturday for the world's championship. Schneider's score was 479 when he had a rest of 500.

WASHINGTON, March 25.—Rev. Mr. Boies, of this place, was so badly burned by the explosion of a gasoline engine yesterday that both of his arms had to be amputated. Death of an Aged Horticulturist. ORIGINAL March 19.—Sidney S. Jackson, said to be the oldest horticulturist in the world, died at his Green township home Thursday in his 90th year.

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DURANGO, Mex., March 14.—One of the heaviest and boldest robberies ever committed in this part of Mexico took place here last Wednesday. C. W. Brittain, manager of the Vacas mines, 75 miles west of this place, left here last Monday for the mines with 10,000 silver dollars in an iron safe in a stout wagon. He was accompanied by J. H. Herndon, a young American, who rode in front on horseback. The wagon contained Mr. Brittain and his driver. Beside the wagon rode two trusty Mexicans. All were well armed. When within 7 miles of Constanca, 55 miles from Durango, twenty-five men rode up from behind and commenced shooting. Juan Castaneda, one of the guards, was killed and Herndon severely wounded. The fire of the bandits was returned by Mr. Brittain and his guard, and one of the robbers was struck with a bullet and is believed to have been killed, as he fell from his horse. The lash was put to the horses, but the robbers gained rapidly on the wagon, taking it and the money. Mr. Brittain escaped into the chaparral with Mr. Herndon in his arms. They made their way to Constanca, where they notified the military authorities. A detachment of troops at once went to the scene of the robbery, but when they arrived at the spot they found that the safe had been broken into and robbed of every sack containing the silver dollars. The bandits were trailed into the adjoining mountains.

ADMITS HE IS A THIEF.

Postal Clerk Pickering Arrested for Robbing the Mails.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., March 21.—Edward L. Pickering, railway postal clerk running between Lebanon and Cookeville, was arrested by Post Office Inspector F. E. Little at Lebanon, Tenn., Saturday, charged with robbing the mails. Decoy letters had been used and on Pickering's person were found \$2,500 and a dozen pieces of jewelry. He confessed his guilt, saying his \$1,200 salary was insufficient for family expenses. He was held on \$1,000 bond. He is only 19 years old.

Killed by a Falling House.

CHICAGO, March 21.—A large two-story frame house that a gang of workmen were attempting to load on a scow at the foot of Illinois street early Sunday morning toppled from its temporary foundation and fell into the water, striking the scow and killing Nicholas Frost, the foreman of the gang. Two laborers were also seriously injured and two others were thrown into the river and more or less hurt.

Death of Timothy A. Chapman.

MILWAUKEE, March 21.—Timothy A. Chapman, the great Milwaukee merchant, died at his residence in this city at 8:35 o'clock Saturday night of pneumonia. He had been engaged in business here since 1857.

A. B. Bailey, of Kenton, O., is in jail at Toledo, O., for counterfeiting. He was caught with newly made coins and the material for making more in his possession.

The \$40,000 building which Senator Sawyer presented several years ago to the Young Men's Christian association of Oshkosh, Wis., is about to be sold and the organization wound up.

The Kentucky house of representatives reconvened and passed the penitentiary bill reported back with a substitute which gives convicts ten days' good time for a month's good behavior.

The New Jersey Methodist Episcopal conference adopted a resolution asking congress to withdraw discriminations against the Chinese, because it crippled missionary work and provoked retaliation.

The body of Mrs. Anna Schultz, the woman of Taylor Center, Mich., who mysteriously disappeared over a month ago, has been found in a hole underneath a dead cow. The body was covered with many marks of violence, indicating murder.

A conference of the principals of the public high schools of southern Wisconsin was held at Racine Saturday. Matters relating to the manner of instruction in graded and high schools were discussed by thirty principals and the state inspector.

The great sugar deal that has been talked of for two weeks past has been consummated and the Philadelphia refineries of Claus Spreckels, Harrison, Frazier & Co. and E. C. Knight are now in the trust. These acquisitions give the trust absolute control of the sugar market of the United States.

FROM ALL AROUND US.

South Lowell Items.

The Ladies Aid Society will hold a sugar social at the residence of J. Churchhill, Friday eve., March 25, 1892. All are cordially invited to partake of the "sweets."

J. Livingston and Mrs. H. Yeter, of Strickland, were called here suddenly to attend the funeral of their father, Moses Livingston, last week.

Miss Carrie Lampman has returned home after spending the winter with relatives at Cannonsburg.

Mrs. F. Schwader is again confined to her bed. It seems as though the grip would never let go.

DeWitt Fero and wife are visiting relatives at Ionia, Sheridan and other points this week.

Master Otis Schrock, of Strickland, is calling on his little friends of this place this week.

Mr. Judson and bride, of Cannonsburg, Sundayed at H. Lampman's.

Beautiful weather and beautiful roads for this time of the year.

Vergennes Visitor.

Orlando Odell has been quite sick with the grip.

G. W. Crosby was in Grand Rapids last Thursday.

Mrs. W. L. Merriman goes to Grand Rapids tomorrow.

Miss Cora Adams attended the Institute at Ada last week.

W. L. Merriman was in Grand Rapids last week Wednesday.

Walter Westbrook had the misfortune to cut his foot quite badly.

Geo. F. White, of Lowell, took dinner with G. W. Crosby last Tuesday.

Miss Maggie Batchelor entertained Ed Banker, of Bowne, over Sunday.

Miss Ina Findlay had a vacation of her school last week, so as to attend Prof. Hardy's musical institute at Ada.

Jane Buttermore, who cut her foot several weeks ago, has now met with another accident. He was working up on a step ladder, when the ladder broke and in falling he sprained his ankle, so he has to use crutches again.

Roy Batchelor, Nelson Beckwith, of Vergennes, and Ross and Fred Colvin, of Fallasburg, all started together for the west on Monday. Roy goes to Portland Oregon, Nelson to Denver, Col., and Ross and Fred to Idaho. Success to the boys.

E. L. Bennett has returned from the sunny south, accompanied by his cousin's daughter, Miss Lottie Olmstead. They got here in time to see our young winter last Saturday. Ed says they encountered a heavy snow storm while coming through Tennessee, where the snow was thirteen inches deep.

Grattan Gatherings.

Winter is receding once more.

To Mr and Mrs John Hunt, a daughter.

Messrs David Alma and Geo. Mason started for Grotton, Dakota, March 21st.

Will answer the question of V. V. scribe as soon as we can see Mrs W. S. Fuller.

Mrs Jay Mason has been presented by her father at Woodville, with five gallons of fine genuine home made maple syrup.

Through the kindness of Prof. C. A. Farnham, of Sand Lake, H. Leester purchased a ferret of parties there, the same coming by express to Rockford March 18th, all right.

Miss Julia Keena, a most successful teacher of music, has a large class here, also at Grand Rapids, keeping her time well occupied. She is a niece of Mrs R. A. Weekes, of Grattan.

Mr and Mrs Hurlbut, living on what is known as the Uriah Emmons farm, were awakened Saturday at 2 o'clock a. m. to find their home on fire and shortly reduced to ashes. No further particulars.

There will be a sheep shearing festival held at John Randall's barn April

7th, with exercises. Ladies and picnic dinner at Grange Hall. All cordially invited to attend and help us in the good work. Come early.

Rev. Kilgore, whose home is at Cedar Springs, but who is engaged in Missionary labor so that he nearly averages one sermon daily, occupied the pulpit of Ashley church March 20th, giving an excellent sermon from Romans 1:16. He was our pastor 11 years ago. Rev. M. H. Smith is expected to settle with us soon, bringing his charming bride of a few days—preaching at both Ashley and White Swan Baptist churches. It is almost needless to add they will both receive a doubly warm welcome, and we look on her fair face for the first time.

Visitors—to Mr and Mrs John Hunt, a daughter for life; Peter Johnson, a friend from Trufant; also Elmer McGarvey and Mrs T. Edison, of Grand Rapids, at Mrs Wm. Casner; Albert Hills, of Ionia, once a music teacher here, with Mr and Mrs W. K. Mason; Mr and Mrs John Bailey, of near Stanton, with their sister, Mrs Hollis Brooks, and now visiting Bowne relatives; Union school with Ashley school, March 17th, Miss Belle Nugent, teacher; Messrs Wm. and Bert Lester at Grand Rapids; Mrs Hattie Bancroft and little son, of Lowell, with Mrs L. M. Carl, for a weeks stay; Terry McGee Jr., of Cadillac, with his sister, Mrs Wm. Byrne; and a host of visitors at the Union school, which closed Friday for one week vacation; Mrs Wm. Howard with her friend, Mrs H. Ruthrock, of Oakfield, March 18th and 19th.

Freepoint.

Our depot fails to materialize.

Masquerade ball, March 30, at Music Hall.

Business is looking up considerably hereabouts.

Miss Jennie Finch is visiting relatives in Grand Rapids.

Mrs. J. G. Reuter and Miss Eva were in Hastings Friday.

Ladies prayer meeting at Mrs. George Nagler's Friday afternoon.

Dr. E. F. Sayles is thinking seriously of investing in Freepoint real estate.

Miss Edith Yordan entertained "a friend" from Delta over Sunday.

Henry Hill and family entertained Mrs Hill's brother, of Hastings, last Sabbath.

Seymour Riegler will try farming this summer, having hired out to E. Babbutt.

Mr and Mrs James Cool visited relatives near Saranac and South Boston Sunday.

Miss Fannie Karcher, of Hastings, spent Saturday at her parent's home in Bowne.

The U. B. people received fourteen new members into their church last Sabbath.

Mrs Hoxie accompanied Mrs Kelly to Freepoint Saturday evening, returning home Sunday.

Mrs George Kelly and Master Willie are guests of Lake Odessa and Woodbury friends this week.

A large quantity of maple sugar has been marketed here; George Nagler being the heaviest shipper.

The U. B. church took in eleven of the new converts on probation, and thus the good work goes on.

Harmony lodge will celebrate their anniversary of Odd Fellowship in a befitting manner April 26.

Miss Ella Riegler returned from a week's stay in Campbell last Sunday, suffering a severe attack of the grippe.

Messrs. Jos. Brunner, C. J. Smelker and the latter's two young sisters were at the county seat on legal business last Friday.

No more grumbling about the bridge just east of town, as the fine new iron structure has been placed in position and travel is uninterrupted.

A happy company of young people enjoyed Friday evening at the home of Charles Hooper and wife near Logan, where they were royally entertained.

Only two more lectures on "Pilgrim's Progress" at the Congregational church will close the series. Let every body come out Sunday evenings to hear the finish.

Goodwill lodge, D. of R. expect to have an enjoyable time at the chicken pie supper given under their auspices next Saturday evening. Everybody invited.

Rev Wright, of Evanston, Ill., preached his first sermon to an M. E. congregation in this place last Sunday. He is a beardless youth with many years ahead of him in which to find the shoals and pitfalls of earth.

ANIMAL PARASITES.

Efforts Being Made by the Government to Destroy Them.

Millions of Dollars Lost Each Year Through the Depredations of Insect Pests—Sources of Destructive Diseases.

A recent discovery to the effect that the trichinae of pork, which caused the American hog to be shut out of Europe so long are from rats, has given new impetus to the pursuit of a line of investigation which has been claiming the attention of the United States government, says a Washington correspondent of the New York Sun. Dr. Leuckhart, the great Leipzig professor who made the discovery, ascertained by the dissection of rats that forty per cent. of them were infected by trichinae. Rats are cannibals. They eat their own offspring and each other, and spread the infection. Whether they ever die of trichinosis is not known, although it makes them lame sometimes. Pigs devour them and contract the complaint. Human beings in their turn eat the pigs, and the trichinae develop, with fatal results frequently. The disease is reckoned the most deadly known, inasmuch as it kills in sixty per cent. of all cases. Among the animals attacked by it are cats, dogs, horses, bears and rabbits, although how they get the parasites is uncertain.

The department of agriculture is at present giving earnest attention to the study of animal parasites, with a view of finding out methods for fighting against some of them which cause a loss of many millions of dollars yearly to farmers. It has made a big discovery recently in relation to the fatal disease of cattle called Texas fever, which is caused by a minute animal called a protozoan; that feeds on the red corpuscles in the blood and destroys them. Recent developments of knowledge reveal the protozoan as producers of morbid complaints. It has been ascertained that the cause of malaria is a protozoan which feeds on the blood corpuscles, and another microscopic foe of like description is responsible for certain forms of dysentery. Undoubtedly many disorders not now understood will eventually be referred to a similar origin.

The department is trying to discover means for combating another parasite, which causes a loss of nearly three million, five hundred thousand dollars a year in cattle slaughtered in Chicago. It is the dreaded heel fly, which lays its eggs on the backs of the animals, the worms hatched from them boring through the skin and remaining buried for several months in the flesh. On emerging they fall to the ground and form the chrysalis condition, come out as perfect flies, ready to lay their eggs on the backs of other cattle, that being their only method of reproduction. If a hide at the market has more than five holes made by the worms it is rated as of second quality, and the meats sell for one cent less a pound in gross.

Another insect, known in the west as the giddy attacks horses, laying his eggs on the animal. The horse licks himself and conveys the eggs to its stomach, where they are hatched, the worms clinging to the stomach walls. Very often they bore through the stomach and kill the horse. A parasitic worm known as the liver fluke attaches itself during a certain stage of its being to the liver and lungs of cattle. During its early growth it goes through a series of astonishing metamorphoses, developing a new self inside of its old self in a different shape several times. Finally it leaves the body of the beast, and what becomes of it is not known precisely; but there is no doubt that it is transformed into a species of snail that lives in wet places. It certainly must lay its eggs in such spots, where the cattle lick them up, thus completing the cycle of its being.

Only a beginning has been made by

this government in the work of fighting the parasites of animals. By always condemning the pigs which are infected with trichinae the disease will be rendered less common. Heedless and gaffles are combated successfully and destroyed by spreading tar ointment over the bodies of the beasts attacked. In its labors the bureau of animal industry of the department first to studying the life history of each parasite, in order to find out at what stage of its existence the enemy can be attacked to the best advantage. Having procured a full knowledge of the habits and manner of existence of the adversary it is comparatively easy to interfere with its operations.

THE CHINESE NAVY.

Although Seldom Heard of, It Is Quite Powerful.

The Chinese navy is never heard of much because it has little to do, says the Washington Post. China's troubles are mostly inland and with herself. She is not much in the habit of courting difficulties with outside powers, but she may have use for her fleet some day. It consists of North Coast squadron, the Foochow squadron, and several flotillas for river and coast operations.

Among the ships of the North Coast squadron are two barbettes sea-going armor-clads of 7,280 tons each, one of 9,850 tons and one of 2,320 tons; one turret ship of 2,320 tons, two deck-protected cruisers, each of 2,300 tons, and a large number of torpedo vessels. The Foochow squadron consists of nine cruisers, ranging from 1,300 to 2,480 tons, three gunboats, nine dispatch boats, and three revenue cruisers, while the Shanghai flotilla boasts an armored frigate of 2,630 tons.

This is at least the nucleus of a tolerably effective navy. It is run for the present on the mind-your-own-business principle, but how long the Chinese government will be permitted to adhere to this conservative policy is uncertain. A naval demonstration of its own may sooner or later become necessary to resist English encroachment and French or German spoliation. The necessity for such a demonstration in front of San Francisco is something that the United States, if it be wise, will not encourage.

A Girl Bullies a King.

Wurtemberg's king almost got into trouble a few days ago. He, like the kaiser, is an indifferent whip and while entering the Stuttgart schloss the king nearly drove over a young American lady. She, however, with that sang-froid characteristic of the fair daughters of the west, caught the horses' heads, and, pushing them back, told the king in pretty strong Anglo-Saxon and German intermixed what she thought of him. His majesty, who was entirely at fault, jumped down and tendered his most profuse apologies. The young lady was unaware that she had had the gratification of bullying a king until she received the following day a letter from one of his majesty's chamberlains begging her acceptance of the royal photograph as a souvenir, he said, of his clumsiness and her escape.

Damages for Grief.

A new cause has arisen for a lawsuit. A woman in France was notified by the authorities of a lunatic asylum of her brother's death. She went to the funeral and ordered a handsome tombstone. Her mother was so grieved at her son's death that the plaintiff had to give up her situation and take care of her. Then she learned that the directors of the asylum had made a mistake and that her brother was alive. After unsuccessful efforts for compensation she has gone to the court, claiming heavy damages for grief and injury.

A Lost Article Bureau.

An absent-minded young woman, who left a package in an elevated railroad car a few days ago, went to the lost article bureau in the hope of recovering her property, says the New York Times. She was much surprised at the extent and variety of the things that lie there awaiting identification. Each article or each package bears a tag telling where and when it was found. This accumulation of lost articles increases very rapidly, and a large percentage of them is never claimed. Just now the display of umbrellas and canes is particularly noticeable. There are several scores of umbrellas and almost as many canes, some of which are handsome and valuable. It strikes the casual observer as somewhat singular that a person can leave a twenty-dollar umbrella in an elevated car and not take the trouble to inquire for it, and yet many of the most expensive umbrellas and canes are never called for.

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