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One Dollar a Year.

OUR FINANCES.

Extracts from Treasurer Nebeker's Annual Report.

Condition of the United States Treasury—The Public Debt Increased—Money in the Country.

UNCLE SAM'S CASH.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 28.—The treasurer of the United States, Hon. E. H. Nebeker, has submitted to Secretary Charles Foster the annual report on the operations and condition of the treasury.

Receipts and Expenditures.

The ordinary revenues of the government for the fiscal year were \$254,937,754, a decrease of \$7,714,030 as compared with the year before. The net ordinary expenditures were \$245,023,353, a decrease of \$10,349,254. The surplus revenues were thus cut off from \$9,914,401 to \$9,914,401, including the public debt. The total receipts for the year were \$736,401,326 and the expenditures \$726,486,923.

Considered with respect to the effects upon the treasury the receipts were divided into two general classes, of which the first, comprising the ordinary revenues, the receipts from loans and the deposits for the retirement of national bank notes, the cash available; while the second, arising from the issue of gold, silver and currency certificates, United States notes and treasury notes, tend to swell the assets of the treasury but do not affect the available balance. For the first of these classes the figures show an excess of \$8,000,000 of expenditures over revenues in 1891, and one of \$27,000,000 in 1892. In the second class there was an excess of nearly \$60,000,000 of receipts in the former year, and one of \$80,000,000 in the latter. As compared with 1891 there was a saving of upward of \$14,000,000 of interest, out of which a surplus was realized notwithstanding the cutting down of the revenues by legislation.

Liabilities.

On June 30, 1891, there stood charged to the treasury on the books of the register a balance of \$736,222,232. Adding thereto the revenues of the year from all sources gives a total of \$1,472,424,124 to be accounted for. Out of this was disbursed by warrant a total of \$684,012,589, leaving a balance of \$788,411,535 charged to the treasurer on June 30, 1892. In addition there were other liabilities arising from the postal revenues, from the deposits to the credit of disbursing officers from the percent fund for the redemption of national bank notes and from various other sources. These, with sums of money collected but not yet charged to the treasurer on the books of the department, brought the total liabilities up to \$777,854,946 at the former date and to \$815,631,638 at the latter.

Condition of the Treasury.

Analyzing the true condition of the treasury and setting aside the trust funds, the treasurer shows that there was a working balance of cash and deposits in bank amounting to \$207,110,451 at the beginning of the year and to \$165,718,150 at the end. Of the former amount \$119,000,000 and of the latter \$114,500,000 was gold. The success which has attended the efforts of the department to maintain a strong gold reserve is considered satisfactory in view of the heavy disbursements. The amount of the public debt is given as \$1,545,956,591 on June 30, 1891, and \$1,568,464,144 on June 30, 1892. The loans resting on the credit of the United States were cut down from \$1,045,896,560 to \$908,218,849, while those secured by full deposits in the treasury increased from \$460,160,031 to \$620,245,304. There was a gratifying improvement in the condition of the debt produced by the reduction of the interest-bearing loans, the conversion of maturing bonds into others payable at the option of the secretary of the treasury, and the extinction of a considerable part of loans payable on demand. The total net reduction of \$37,867,719 in these items was effected by the application of the surplus revenues of the year, amounting to nearly \$10,000,000, together with upward of \$27,000,000 taken from the cash in the treasury.

Total Money in the Country.

According to the revised estimates the total stock of money of all kinds in the country on June 30 was \$2,774,231,049, an increase of \$53,000,000 in the year. It is estimated that part of the paper currency which is purely representative, consisting of certificates of deposits and treasury notes, the effective stock is found to have been \$1,753,853,745, an increase of \$74,000,000. The monetary history of the last year, however, has been peculiar, both in movement of gold, which has been increased, and in the other changes that commonly occur with the other changes of the season, but have been less marked. The increase of the effective stock of money from September to December was only \$50,000,000.

Discussing the changes in the amount and composition of the money stock, the treasurer finds that the increase which marked the fiscal year was the result of the product of nearly \$77,000,000 in gold in excess of the industrial consumption, a fresh issue of \$5,000,000 of national bank notes, together with the changes in the stock of silver. Of the aggregate stock of money at the end of the fiscal year \$771,232,313 was in the treasury and mints, leaving \$1,002,998,736 in the hands of the people. The holdings of the treasury increased \$50,000,000 and the amount in circulation \$100,000,000 during the year.

Where the Gold Goes.

Figures are given to show that each year during the last ten there has occurred in the month of January a more or less considerable diminution of the gold reserve of the treasury, averaging nearly \$10,000,000, which has been succeeded in February by a tendency toward recovery. It is shown that the gain has occurred yearly in the face of a gain of gold both to the treasury and to the country. It thus appears that the depletion of the reserve is in consequence of the increase of the circulation of gold certificates, and this, it is shown, grows out of the difficulties which the treasury encounters in the return of the notes and silver certificates of small denominations which were sent out in the autumn for moving the crops. The movement in strong after the 1st of January through the sub-treasuries, whence the notes, being more or less worn and of denominations unsuited to city use, are sent to Washington for redemption. The shipment, redemption and destruction of the old notes and the issue of new take time. Before the treasury can make the conversion the sub-treasuries are drained of gold certificates, and nothing but gold certificates to send them. In this way gold reserve suffers until a working balance of other material can be got together.

Issues of Paper Currency.
The issues of United States paper currency amounted to \$276,735,582, exceeding those of any previous year. Of the whole amount \$298,000,000 took the place of like kinds and amounts destroyed, while \$78,000,000 consisted of fresh issues. During the first six months there was an increase of upward of \$27,000,000 in the denominations of \$20 and under outstanding and during the last six months an increase of \$36,000,000 in the denominations of \$50 and over. The treasurer remarks that it would seem to be the proper policy which would appear to be natural, both in the amounts and the denominations of the paper currency required by the people.

Partly in consequence of the improved condition of the coins themselves and partly as the result of a more liberal plan of distribution, the treasury between June 30, 1891, to Sep-

MANY SLAIN.

Terrible Result of a Railway Wreck in Europe.

Several Lives Lost—Men and Women Tortured in the Ruins—An Engineer's Mistake.

AWFUL DISASTER ABOARD.

VIENNA, Nov. 28.—A frightful railway accident is reported from Szolna, or Sillen, 35 miles northeast of Trentschin, on the Wagg. Owing to the mistake of an engine driver who did not get the signals the trains collided in the suburbs of the town. One of the trains, which was full of passengers, was completely wrecked. Several persons were instantly killed and others endured long hours of agony before they were rescued. One woman was impaled on a long splinter of the carriage in which she was riding. She lingered some time before she died. The splinter went through her body and could not be extracted until after the woman's death. Others were crushed beneath the wheels of the carriages which fell over them in the wreck, and many who escaped with life were permanently crippled. The number of injured is very great.

TWIN FAILURES.

A Michigan Bank Closes After the Assignment of a Toledo Firm.
TOLEDO, O., Nov. 28.—The lumber firm of Bills & Koch has assigned its business to E. W. Loud, of Detroit, on a claim for \$64,000 cash, procured on accommodation paper. Other creditors have since filed claims, swelling the total liabilities to \$150,000. The assets are estimated at \$85,000. Unfortunate wheat speculation on the part of the senior member of the firm is said to be the cause of the failure.

TECUMSEH, Mich., Nov. 28.—The firm of O. P. Bills & Co., bankers, has its doors closed. Mr. Bills with other gentlemen is locked in the bank building and refuses all requests for an interview as to why the bank failed to resume business. There is a rumor that some startling developments in connection with a Toledo man, with whom Mr. Bills is associated, has caused a temporary suspension pending an investigation into the bank's affairs.

CHARGED WITH MURDER.

Desire to Get \$871.00 Life Insurance Said to Have Prompted a Crime.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Nov. 28.—At Holton, Kan., Mrs. John Stock, her son Joseph and Henry Norwaek, a farm laborer, were arrested, charged with conspiracy to kill Mrs. Stock's brother, Paul Swetlick, October 24, to secure \$87,000 life insurance that he carried. Swetlick was visiting his sister in the country, and as he mounted his horse to ride away after dark, a pistol was discharged close at hand and he was wounded. When he was picked up his friends said that the pistol was his and that he had tried to commit suicide. Swetlick was not so badly hurt, however, that he could not deny that the pistol was his, and proved that it had been fastened to his saddle with the trigger set, fixed to go off as he mounted. The arrests have caused a sensation. Capitalist Swetlick lingered awhile and died, and the insurance companies refused payment. The preliminary examination will take place December 6.

MISS FREAR'S NOVEL SUIT.

Railroad Company Responsible for the Loss of Her Intended Husband.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., Nov. 28.—Among the killed on the New York Central & Hudson railroad by the collision on the night before Christmas, 1891, was John R. Bagnall, of this city, and among the injured was Miss Eva Frear, also of this city. It is said that the two were engaged to be married. Now Miss Frear has commenced a suit against the railroad company for damages amounting to between \$30,000 and \$40,000, claiming that she was to have been married to Mr. Bagnall, and because of the accident, which was the result of carelessness, she had lost a husband, and therefore she has been deprived of support and maintenance for her life. It is reported she has offered to compromise for \$20,000. The suit is certainly a novel one.

Tossed by Wild Bulls.

SALTILLO, Mexico, Nov. 28.—At a bull fight in Arteaga, about 50 miles southeast of this place, a number of the ferocious animals stampeded and made a rush against the barricade used for the protection of the spectators. The barricade gave way and the bulls rushed frantically into the crowd of people, who were thrown right and left by the animals' horns. In their excitement the spectators rushed to one side of the amphitheater to escape the fury of the bulls. This caused the seats to give way, and fully fifty people sustained broken limbs and severe internal injuries. The bulls killed one and wounded ten others.

WHEATON, Ill., Nov. 28.—Augustus M. Ballou, a farmer living 2 miles from town, while crossing the railroad here Sunday morning was struck by a passing train. His horse was instantly killed and Mr. Ballou was thrown 30 feet, causing a fracture of the skull, from which he has since died.

Largest Reservoir in the World.

PHOENIX, A. T., Nov. 28.—The largest reservoir in the world is now being built near this city. It will be a lake 8 miles long, half a mile wide and 25 feet deep. It will hold water from the winter rains. Bartlett, a Chicago board of trade man, is at the head of the enterprise.

Are Accused of Embezzlement.
DENVER, Col., Nov. 28.—J. K. Moore and G. E. Clarke, employees of the Colorado Commission Company, the former confidential clerk and the latter clerk and telegraph operator, were found Sunday to be embezzlers of that company's funds to the amount of \$10,000. Clarke has been arrested and Moore has not been seen since Friday night. It is supposed he left the city. During a trip last August they collected about \$4,000. A series of false entries covered up their theft.

Double Tragedy in Tennessee.

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Nov. 28.—A peculiar double tragedy occurred at Semmerville, Ga., Saturday evening. A young man named Wooten, the son of a prominent citizen, became engaged in a quarrel with a negro and struck him over the head with a shotgun. The weapon was discharged, the lead striking Wooten in the chest, killing him instantly. The skull of the negro was fractured and he will die.

Bringing Him Back.

LONDON, Nov. 28.—Augustus T. Kerr, the extradited American forger, is a passenger on the Cunard line steamer Aurania, which sailed from Liverpool on Saturday for New York. The prisoner is in the custody of Policeman Bowman, of New York. Kerr is charged with embezzling \$12,000 from the Jarvis-Conklin Trust Company of Kansas City, Mo.

Negotiating a Treaty.

PARIS, Nov. 28.—It is said here in diplomatic circles that United States Minister Coolidge has opened negotiations for a commercial convention and an extradition with France. Minister Coolidge will endeavor to complete these diplomatic compacts before the appointment of his successor by the incoming administration.

Grand Army Legislative Committee.

MILWAUKEE, Nov. 28.—Commander in Chief Weissert of the Grand Army of the Republic has appointed the committee on legislation, the most important committee within his appointive power, as follows: Joseph W. Kay, Amos J. Cummings, John Raines, all of the department of New York; Charles P. Lincoln, department of the Potomac; William E. Ross, department of Maryland. The chief duty of the committee is to look after the enforcement of statute laws regarding the employment of veterans of the war by the government.

Shot Him While He Slept.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Nov. 28.—The wife of Frank Adams, who was murdered at Earle, Ark., Thanksgiving day, has confessed to the crime, implicating two men. Mrs. Adams slept in a room adjoining her husband's and while he lay sleeping she shot. She hid the pistol in a drawer in her sewing machine, where it was found the next morning. It is supposed the woman desired her husband out of the way so that she could marry her lover.

Official Vote of Tennessee.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Nov. 28.—The official returns from all the counties in the state have been received by the treasurer of state. For president the vote is: Cleveland, 166,477; Harrison, 99,973; Weaver, 23,623; Bidwell, 4,859; Cleveland over Harrison, 68,504; Cleveland over all, 8,026. For governor the figures are: Turney (dem.), 137,247; Winsted (rep.), 100,629; Buchanan (ind.) and (people's), 31,515.

Gives a Nine-Year Term.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Nov. 28.—Frank Garvin, the young newspaper artist who shot and killed his wife, Cora Redpath, three days after their marriage, has been sentenced to nine years' imprisonment in the Riverside pen. In imposing sentence Judge McClung said it was a most aggravated case, and the evidence warranted a first-degree verdict instead of voluntary manslaughter.

Accidentally Shot Himself.

COLUMBUS, O., Nov. 28.—Lottie Smith, the wife of a tinner, while at the residence of Mrs. John Holly, a friend, Sunday night, playfully pointed the handle of a revolver at Mrs. Holly, at the same time pulling the trigger. The muzzle being pointed toward Mrs. Smith, the ball entered her body above the heart, passing through one lung. Her injuries are considered fatal.

Killed by an Explosion.

DULUTH, Minn., Nov. 28.—At 8 o'clock a. m., as the steamer Hiram B. Dixon was lying at Barent's dock, a steam pipe burst with a terrific report, instantly killing two people and slightly injuring a number of others. The dead are Will Brooks, an 8-year-old boy, and William McNulty, the fireman. The damage to the boat was but slight.

Harrison Writing His Message.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 28.—President Harrison has begun the writing of his annual message to congress. He desires to give it his close attention until it is concluded and denies himself to as many callers as possible. He will continue to do so until his message is finished.

Kentucky's Official Vote.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Nov. 28.—The official vote of Kentucky is: Cleveland, 175,424; Harrison, 135,430; Weaver, 23,503; Bidwell, 6,385; total, 340,732. Cleveland's plurality, 10,004. In 1888 Cleveland received 183,100; Harrison, 155,134. The total vote in 1888 was 344,800.

Mine Horror in Mexico.

CITY OF MEXICO, Nov. 28.—Eighteen miners have been killed by a cave-in at the Borda mine at Pachuca.

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MILTON M. PERRY.

LOWELL JOURNAL. BURNED TO A CRISP. Sad Fate of Two Little Children in Chicago. Their Home Takes Fire While They Are Asleep—Attempts at Rescue Fail, and They Are Cremated.

CHICAGO, Nov. 30.—Alice and Clifford Vessey, two children, the former 3 and the latter 6 years of age, were burned to death by a fire at 26 Edgewood avenue at 7 a. m. Their mother, who attempted to rescue them, was severely burned and James Heaney was badly injured by broken glass.

The home of the family is a story and a half-frame building, in the attic of which the two children were asleep. A lighted kerosene lamp in the room and it is believed that this was overruled in some manner, setting fire to the house. The flames were asleep. "My children are still in the house," rushed into the building only to be driven back by the flames which, by this time, were licking up the whole interior.

Her hair caught fire and her face and neck were severely burned. The flames which enveloped the mother were quickly extinguished by the crowd which had gathered and she was taken to the house of a friend where her injuries could be dressed.

Had forgotten Her Children. Then the mother remembered them, and with the frantic cry: "My children are still in the house," rushed into the building only to be driven back by the flames which, by this time, were licking up the whole interior.

St. Louis: The new grist mill is running full blast, and the prices of flour are away down. The dealers are a terrible mad set and threaten the prosperity of the mill. This was caused by the mill people reducing the price of flour \$1.75 per barrel. The sentiments of the people are with the mill.

Port Huron: Bobbie Davis, the 10-year-old son of Thomas Davis, of Fort Gratiot, on Friday afternoon was loading a cow with a long rope. The animal became frightened and ran away. The rope caught around the boy's foot and he was dragged around the street and over the railroad tracks and terribly injured. His skull was fractured and he was internally injured.

Hillman and others: M. McLeod, of this village and other experienced a siege of hunger and hardship while crossing Lake Nepequin, in Canada, a few days ago. They were on their return from looking land for Alger, Smith & Co., when a storm struck them and drifted their bark across the lake. Their provisions being limited, they resorted to a fast of about forty-eight hours until picked up by friends and sent on their way rejoicing.

Carnegie Gives \$50,000 to a Library. ATCOSTA, Me., Nov. 28.—Andrew Carnegie has offered to give \$50,000 of the \$150,000 needed to complete the Lithgow library fund, and I. P. Randall, of this city, gives \$1,000. Among other donors are James G. Blaine, Mrs. Emmerson Hale and G. W. Bradbury. The whole fund amounts to \$144,000.

Washington, Nov. 28.—Capt. Healy, of the revenue service, in his report to the department, confirms the loss of the whaling bark "Helen Star," with forty of her crew. He says that the crew are leaving the rookeries, and it is estimated that there are but 5,000 remaining at St. George.

Deaths of Immigrants Coming. NEW YORK, Nov. 28.—Six steamships landed 1,211 immigrants at Ellis island Saturday and 500 more are in the harbor waiting to be passed by the health officer. Among the latter are 225 who arrived on the Rhætia from the interior of Germany.

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Two Deaths by Poisoning. ST. HENRY, Minn., Nov. 28.—Joseph E. Haender died suddenly Friday. Strychnine was afterward found in his tobacco. Miss Agnes Beer, his wife's sister, died in the same manner and left a letter asking to be buried with Haender. It is supposed she poisoned herself and Haender.

Robbed a County Treasurer. COLUMBUS, O., Nov. 28.—A daring robbery occurred at Kirtleville, Licking county, 31 miles east of here, Thursday night. The safe in the residence of A. H. Austin, who is county treasurer of Harrison township, Licking county, for thirty years, was robbed of \$1,400 and \$1,600. In their hurry the robbers dropped one package containing \$500 and several others containing \$25 each.

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Gov. McKinley's Father Dead. COLUMBUS, O., Nov. 28.—William McKinley Sr., the aged father of Gov. McKinley, died Thursday morning at his home in Canton. His death has been expected for a few days and all the family were in attendance.

WANT MORE SILVER. Uncle Sam's Propositions to the Monetary Conference. The Position of the American Delegates Explained by Senator Allison—No Action Will Be Taken Until a Later Date.

FAVOR SILVER COURAGE. DREWS, Nov. 28.—The proposals made by the American delegates to the monetary conference were printed in parallel columns, one in English, the other in French, and were on Friday distributed among the delegates, each receiving a copy as he entered the conference room. The proposals substantially say:

"It is generally admitted that a very large depreciation of silver as compared with gold and the consequent fluctuations of gold and the price of silver incident thereto have been injurious to the commercial and other economic interests of all civilized countries, and have caused and are causing serious and incalculable losses to the people of all nations."

"The unanimous opinion of the people of the United States that the establishment of a fixed value of gold and silver and the full redemption of the national debt by a ratio fixed by agreement between the great commercial nations of the world will greatly promote the prosperity of all classes of the people. They, however, are not aware of the fact that public opinion in some other countries whose cooperation is a necessary element in the success of any movement is not in accord with the views of the probability of such an agreement. They believe that a restoration to the use of silver as a national currency throughout the world, and a national conference to consider the subject, is the best government of the United States, while frankly declining to give assent to the proposal to be applied, does not wish to impose upon other nations a policy which is not in accord with the views of the probability of such an agreement."

"The government of the United States believes that the reestablishment and maintenance of a fixed value of gold and silver and the continued use of both as mediums of exchange will be productive of important benefits to the people of the United States. It is desirous that the use of silver in the currency of the United States be increased to the extent of the gold and silver and the continued use of both as mediums of exchange will be productive of important benefits to the people of the United States. It is desirous that the use of silver in the currency of the United States be increased to the extent of the gold and silver and the continued use of both as mediums of exchange will be productive of important benefits to the people of the United States."

"The unrestricted currency of both gold and silver into money of full value, which is the basis of the monetary conference, is the best government of the United States, while frankly declining to give assent to the proposal to be applied, does not wish to impose upon other nations a policy which is not in accord with the views of the probability of such an agreement."

"The establishment of a uniform charge, if any, to the public for mining gold and silver ore, is a matter of great importance to the people of the United States. It is desirous that the use of silver in the currency of the United States be increased to the extent of the gold and silver and the continued use of both as mediums of exchange will be productive of important benefits to the people of the United States."

"The conference ultimately resolved, in accordance with the request of Senator Allison, to postpone action on the American proposals until a later stage of the proceedings, and to meet on Monday to consider the proposals submitted by Rothschild, the British delegation. The Austrian and German delegates intimated that they had been instructed to say that they could not assent to any modification of their existing monetary laws. The Dutch, Spanish and Mexican delegates stated that they were ready to vote favorably on the American proposals, while the Russian, Italian, Roumanian, Swiss and Greek delegates declared that under their instructions they were not permitted to vote on the resolution."

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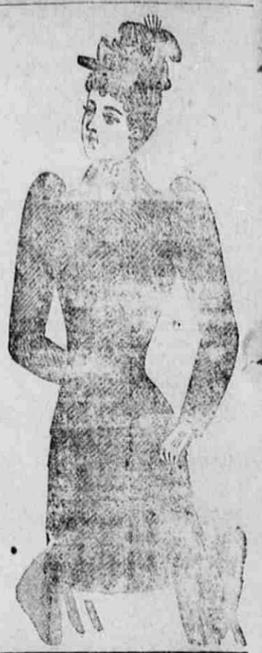
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NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES.

General Gatherings.
The earth put on a white mantle after Thanksgiving.
N. Smith has purchased a new milch cow of M. Getner.
Mr and Mrs Wm. Lessor entertained a large company Thanksgiving.
Mr and Mrs Henry Miller visited Cannonburg and Grand Rapids friends, last week.
Mr and Mrs George Smith have returned from a weeks visit with Maple Rapids friends.
Mr and Mrs John Ashley and Mrs M. A. Lessor and family entertained friends, Nov. 26.
Mrs Rufus Foster, a pioneer of Grattan aged 73 yrs, passed away Nov. 23rd, at the home of her son in law, Orrin Ford. Thanksgiving came to her first, and her last words were "praise the Lord."
John W. B. Smith died at the home of his brother in law, John Randall, Nov. 21st, in the 37th year of his age. Funeral at the house Nov. 22nd, Rev. M. P. Smith, of Ashley, officiating. He lived but little more than three weeks after returning from Washington with that fatal disease, consumption.
Mrs Wm. Bigler and son, E. J., of Oakfield, and Mr and Mrs James Lessor, of Pontiac, greatly surprised Mrs M. A. Lessor and family, Nov. 21st. Mr L. and wife had visited Greenville friends, Mrs B. among the rest, and are now greatly enjoying their visit with old friends here, where they formerly lived.

MAUD.
Town Line Tidings.
Wm. Vroman is quite sick.
Mrs James B. Covert is on the sick list.
S. Sargent was married Thanksgiving day.
Orville Reynolds has moved in his new house.
Miss Freda Lewis is home from Grand Rapids.
Mrs J. Wooding visited Mrs U. Snow Saturday.
Mrs Mary Pete is working for Mrs J. B. Covert.
James Taylor and family have moved in with L. Lewis.
Mrs Clinton Snow has gone to Newaygo to spend the winter.
Miss Isadora Reynolds is working for Mrs B. G. Wilson, of Lowell.
A number of the young people attended the party for S. Onan, Saturday night.
Uriel Snow returned home from his

hunting trip. He arrived very early Sunday morning.
Miss Laura Westbrook has returned home after working seven months for Mrs Chas. Buttrick.
The Ladies Aid met with Mrs W. S. Besche last Wednesday. They quilted a nice quilt. A social is talked of for the sale of the quilt in the near future.
The Cascade and Saranac hunters have returned. They have killed sixteen deer and saw the tail end of some forty others. They had a very pleasant time coming out.
Parnell Points.
J. Cuddihy, of Bowne Center, Sundayed with his sister, Mrs P. Bresnehan.
Mr and Mrs E. J. Doyle, of Grand Rapids, spent Sunday with their parents.
Mrs J. Malone, who has been ill for some time past, is on the gain at present.
Mrs Tracy Clark and daughter, May, of Dutton, are visiting at S. D. Norman's.
Our post master, who has been absent for some time attending jury, is home.
Mrs D. McCarty has returned from a months visit with her daughter, of East Jordan.
Mrs E. Sorby, of Grand Rapids, is spending a few days with her mother, Mrs R. Giles.
Miss Anns McCauly, of Trenton, Ont., will spend the winter with her cousin, J. F. Sullivan, and family.
Dr P. J. Sullivan, of Parnell, and Miss Flora Ladner, of Big Rapids, were married Nov. 21, at the bride's home.
Rev. Fr. Crumley delivered a very touching and interesting sermon Sunday afternoon, on "General Judgement."
Thanksgiving passed away with its usual family gatherings and happy times all around, bringing many strangers into our midst.
J. Keena and Miss Katie Heffron were united in marriage at the Catholic church, Nov. 22nd, Rev. Fr. Crumley officiating. After a bountiful reception at the home of the bride, which was enjoyed by a large number of friends, the happy couple left for a short trip west. They will reside on their farm in Cannon. Congratulations and best wishes.
South Boston.
Mrs Wesley Cilley is better.
A little of the beautiful first of the week.
So, Boston Grange are having very interesting meetings at present.
A singing school is being talked about for the coming winter.
School commenced in the North Bell district, Monday.

The oyster supper at the Hall was a success as usual.
The dwelling which Mr Sneathen bought of E. H. Train, Sundayed near the M. E. Church.
W. Cilley will not move as soon as he expected on account of the illness of his wife.
The rabbit is very lucky that escapes the ferrets, dogs and the many boys that are after them nowadays.
We were glad to learn from the Bowne Center correspondent last week, that the Grange had been reorganized at that place. We hope it will be well represented at the Council at So. Boston Hall Saturday, Dec. 17, 1892.
Ada.
Rev. Mr. Jacques made a business trip to Grand Rapids last Monday.
Ira Teeple has just purchased a new organ for his daughter, Jennie.
Seventy-five couple enjoyed the Thanksgiving party at the Rink last Thursday evening.
Misses Mary and Sarah Foloston, of Grand Rapids, spent the Sabbath here with their parents.
Rev. Bennet and family from Grand Haven, were present at Miss Hattie Carew's wedding last Wednesday evening.
Mrs Frankie McNaughton gave her husband a pleasant surprise last Saturday evening. Those present were: Will Bradford and wife, Ed Petos and wife, Wm. McMurray and wife, Miss Lettie Livingston, Miss Lettie Holmes and Geo. Holmes. The evening was spent playing cards.
Cascade.
Chas. D. Nelson and wife visited the latter's son, A. Johnson, of Caledonia, Sunday.
Miss Carrie Deunion is visiting her friend, Ella Chamberlain, near Middleville.
Miss Jennie Paterson, of this village, has gone to Ypsilanti to attend the Normal school.
School commenced in Dist. No. 3, Monday morning, Miss Hydorn, of G'd Rapids, teacher.
Chas. Harris and family, of Alto, spent Thanksgiving with Mrs H's parents, Mr and Mrs David Clark.
Miss Mantie Town, who is dressmaking in Grand Rapids, is with her mother, Mrs Alfred Town, at present.
The farm of the late John Smith, near the Gove school house, Dist. No. 3, will be sold at auction Saturday, Dec. 3.
There were six additions to the Cascade Grange last Tuesday evening. Five taking the first degree, and one renewing his obligations.
Mrs Wilson Cady, nee Kate Wing, of Nebraska, is visiting relatives here. She has not seen any of them for nearly 25 yrs. It was a happy meeting for the aged parents, who anticipated so much from her visit.
Miss Ethel Finley is prostrated over the death of her friend, Altie Miller, of Hill's corner. She has the sympathy of her many friends. Miss Miller was badly burned by her clothing taking fire, while attending to the furnace and she died from the effects, last week.

Vergennes Visitor.
Miss Gertie Collins is entertaining her friend, Miss Grace Bell, of near Ionia.
Mrs G. W. Crosby is entertaining her sister, Mrs J. S. Daniels, of Grand Rapids, this week.
The ground is covered with snow now for the first time this season, but not quite enough for sleighing.
G. W. Crosby and wife with other invited guests, are Thanksgiving dinner with Mr and Mrs Randolph, of Fox's corner.
Frank Bunker, of Bowne, spent Thanksgiving at Irving Batchelors. By the way there seems to be quite an attraction in Vergennes for the Bunkers.
Jay and Charlie Merriman, of Grand Rapids, spent Thanksgiving with their parents, Mr and Mrs W. L. Merriman, and stayed over Sunday to see their best girls.
Chapel.
D. McCarthy sold eighty nine turkeys for \$124.
Chas. Inman had a few invited guests to share his Thanksgiving dinner.
Mrs Warren Russell, of Middleville, is spending a week with friends here.
Grandpa McMillan is not well. He has had several chills, but it may be the grip.
Last Wednesday evening the people of North Ada Cong'l church, surprised the pastor by filling his buggy with ducks, chickens, canned fruit, cakes, pies, cookies and every thing that goes to make a good Thanksgiving dinner, while he was in church attending prayer meeting.
Mrs Mary McNaughton's home was well filled on Thanksgiving day with children, grandchildren and neighbors, where they partook of a sumptuous dinner; after dinner they passed the time by singing, speaking, cracking nuts as well as jokes. About nine p.m. the company left, feeling that it had been a day well spent and long to be remembered.
West Lowell Links.
M. J. Sterling and wife visited his sister, Mrs Stowe, Friday.
Chester Merriman is spending the week with his aunt, Mrs Stowe.
John Court has a very sick horse, and there is no doubt but that he will lose it.
We are pleased to hear that Miss Ida Brannan is engaged to teach the winter term.
Seneca Jay and wife have returned from Six Lakes, where they have been visiting Mrs Jay's father.
Dell and Chas. Kinyon have gone to Chicago for Messrs Post and Jury, on a business trip. They no doubt can tell us all there is to tell of that famous city.
There was a pleasant gathering at the home of Wm. Stinton on Thanksgiving day; all the children and grandchildren were present. Mr and Mrs Easterday visited their daughter, Mary Stinton. A pleasant time was enjoyed by all.
A few of Mrs Stowe's friends were invited to spend Thanksgiving day with her. They were Mr and Mrs Gristwood, Mr and Mrs Boston and daughter, Emma, Mr and Mrs Peter Jay, Mr and Mrs Easterbrook, Mr and Mrs John Court and family. A very pleasant gathering.

Alto.
Lots of potatoes and saw logs being shipped from Alto.
Wanted—three more good, energetic business men to go into the grocery business at Alto.
We are in receipt of a copy of "The Alto Times." There is plenty of room for it to grow.
Dennis bellows blew up, yesterday, from an accumulation of gas, necessitating a new pair of bellows.
An "experience social," in connection with the Baptist church, will be held at W. B. Graham's on Thursday eve., Dec. 8th.
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Subjects for next Sunday's services: Morning: "Sanctified Common Sense," evening, Temperance sermon: "Tell it not in Gath, publish it not in the streets of Askelon."
Mr Henry has put in a stock of goods in the north half of his new block and McKee is moving his stock of goods into the south half. McKee is now running two stores, but will consolidate again as soon as he gets permission to move the post office.
Personal.
Quite a number of our leading ladies are going to Grand Rapids soon to attend the great sale of boy's suits at the Star Clothing House, 34, 36, 38, 40 and 42 Canal St. They offer a \$3.50 all wool boy's suit for \$1.98 and a better one worth \$5 for \$3. A good gray overcoat can be purchased for \$1.50.
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