

CIVIL SERVICE.

The Commission Makes Its Annual Report on Work Done.

Some Differences of Opinion Between the Members—The Classified Service to Free Delivery Post Offices Causes Division.

A LONG DOCUMENT.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—The majority report of the civil service commission for the present year is a voluminous document of about 15,000 words—as long as the president's message. The portion of special interest is that bearing on the extension of the classified service to free delivery post offices, by order of President Harrison, January 5, 1893. It is from this portion that Commissioner Johnston dissented, causing his removal by President Cleveland. The majority report says of this extension:

"This act brought into the classified service 224 offices and since its promulgation the free delivery service has been extended to nine other offices, thus making the total number of classified post offices at this time 6,110, including the fifty-three classified prior to this extension."

The salary limit to the classified service in the custom houses is commended and classification by grade recommended. Changes in the New York custom houses are cited as examples. The satisfactory result of the classification of the railway and mail service is dealt on at length. The work of fourth-class postmasters subject to removal for partisan cause is cited in comparison with that of railway mail clerks to show the advantage of the system of choosing the latter.

The report closes with a statement showing that the number of persons connected with the civil service in the United States is about 200,000, and giving in detail the regulations governing hours of labor, compensation, promotions, etc.

Commissioner Johnston in his minority report takes issue with his colleagues as to the extension of the classified service ordered January 5, 1893, to include free delivery post offices. He thinks that under the circumstances, with the commission crippled for want of clerical force with which to do even the regular work of the commission, it was ill-advised, unfair and harmful to the cause of civil service reform. He says:

"The American people realize that the extension of the classified service does not necessarily mean civil service reform. When that extension increases by thousands the representatives in office of a party whose members already in classified places outnumber the members of the other party in classified places in the proportion of probably three or four to one, and when such extension is ordered by an administration and goes into effect shortly before the government is turned over to another administration of different political faith and party affiliation known to be friendly to the cause of civil service reform, it is difficult to reconcile it to fair-minded men of all parties as a non-partisan measure, and as difficult to reconcile it to believers in genuine civil service reform as a helpful contribution to that worthy and good cause."

IN A RECEIVER'S HANDS.

The Manufacturing Firm of C. Aultman & Co. Falls.

CANTON, O., Dec. 12.—The business of C. Aultman & Co., manufacturers of engines, threshers and other farming implements, has gone into the hands of receivers, William A. Lynch and Robert A. Miller being appointed. The company, it is understood, is entirely solvent, as its assets are not far from \$2,700,000, while its liabilities are about \$1,000,000. The application for a receiver was made by Lewis Miller, of Akron, the president of the company.

Murdered with a Flat-Iron.

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—Luke Nordancy, of 576 Holt avenue, has been arrested charged with the murder of his wife. The murder was a particularly brutal one. The body of the woman was found on the floor of one of the rooms occupied by Nordancy and his wife. The head was terribly crushed, and beside the body lay a blood-stained flat-iron, which had evidently been used in committing the murder.

Nominated for Congress.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 9.—Robert Adams, Jr., ex-minister to Brazil, has been nominated by the republicans of the Second district to fill the vacancy in congress caused by the death of Charles O'Neill. The special election will be held on the 19th inst. Mr. Adams' nomination is equivalent to an election.

Glanders is Epidemic in Iowa. SIOUX CITY, Ia., Dec. 12.—Twenty-two cases of glanders have been found among horses in the country east of this city and the animals have been ordered killed. The disease is epidemic and dire results are feared.

Most of Her Crew Lost.

LONDON, Dec. 8.—The Norwegian bark Don Juan, from New York for Gothenburg, has been wrecked near Lemvig, Denmark. All of her crew of fourteen were lost with the exception of three men.

Ex-Minister L. B. Mizner Dead.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 11.—Lansing B. Mizner, ex-United States minister to Guatemala, whose connection with the Barrandin affair resulted in his recall, died at Benecia, aged 65.

Killed by a Railroad Train.

NEWMAN, Ga., Dec. 12.—As W. H. Parks and Mrs. North were driving across the Atlanta & West Point railroad tracks a passenger train dashed into them, killing both.

Opposed to Tammany.

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—The "National Democracy" is the name of a new democratic society in this city whose object is to affiliate with any organization opposed to Tammany.

NOTHING LEFT.

An Indiana Mutual Insurance Company in a Bad Fix.

LA PORTE, Ind., Dec. 12.—The affairs of the Knox Mutual Insurance Company are in a chaotic condition. The examination of the books of the company revealed a shortage of upward of \$120,000. The continued absence of three principal officers of the corporation has only served to make the collapse complete, and to disclose to the policyholders the result of misplaced confidence.

In the meantime numerous messages of inquiry have been received from policyholders. It is possible that the aggregated value of policies placed by the company will reach \$2,000,000. The business prospered under Scott's management. The board of directors have taken steps to have the books thoroughly investigated.

THREW A BOMB.

Desperate Deed of an Anarchist in the French Capital.

PARIS, Dec. 11.—A dynamite bomb was thrown and exploded in the chamber of deputies Saturday while the chamber was in session. The bomb was thrown from the right gallery at about 4 o'clock and over eighty people were wounded, of whom fifteen were deputies.

August Vaillant, the miscreant who threw the deadly missile, has been captured. He expressed great regret that he failed in his object, which was to kill President Dupuy and several members of the cabinet. He is a man 32 years old, a leather worker, and a member of a group of anarchists known as Les Solitaires. The French law makes Vaillant's crime punishable by death.

LEADERS MEET.

The American Federation of Labor in Session in Chicago.

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—There were nearly 100 delegates in the council chamber in the city hall at 10 a. m. yesterday when the thirteenth annual convention of the American Federation of Labor was called to order by President Samuel Gompers, who said, during his address, "that more than 8,000,000 of our fellow toilers throughout the country are without employment."

The report of Treasurer John B. Lennon, which was also submitted, showed that the total income for the year ending October 31 was \$21,487.14, and the total expenses \$17,818.40, leaving a balance of \$3,668.74.

DALTON GANG AGAIN.

Vault of the National Bank at Plano Tex., Blown Open with Dynamite.

PLANO, Tex., Dec. 11.—Shortly before daylight a gang of robbers used dynamite to force an entrance into the vault of the National bank of Plano. The robbers had horses in readiness and escaped into the brush of the surrounding country. It is believed that the robbery was perpetrated by members of the famous Dalton gang. It is thought the gang got away with over \$10,000. A posse has been organized and is now pursuing the robbers.

TRAIN ROBBERS.

An Express on a Texas Railway Held Up by Six Men.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 12.—A special from Austin, Tex., says the cannon-ball train No. 2 on the International & Great Northern railway was robbed by six men at Duval Sunday midnight. The express safe was looted of its contents and passengers were robbed of their money and other valuables. It is not known what the express company's loss is. The total amount secured is estimated to be from \$1,000 to \$5,000.

An Ex-Senator Dead.

ROCKLAND, Me., Dec. 11.—Nathan A. Farwell, ex-United States senator and one of the most prominent men of eastern Maine, died suddenly of apoplexy. He was 82 years old. In 1864, when William Pitt Fessenden became secretary of the treasury, Mr. Farwell was chosen to fill the place left vacant by Mr. Fessenden in the United States senate. He served out Mr. Fessenden's unexpired term.

Duties on World's Fair Exhibits.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—Collector of Customs Clark, of Chicago, reports to the treasury department that the customs receipts to November 30 on world's fair exhibits entered for consumption in this country amount to \$656,076 and expenditures \$167,916.

State Banks for Virginia.

RICHMOND, Va., Dec. 12.—A measure has been introduced in the legislature authorizing the establishment of state banks in this state. It fixes the minimum capital in towns and villages at \$10,000 and in cities at \$50,000. The bill will pass.

Logging Operations Commenced.

ASHLAND, Wis., Dec. 11.—Fourteen logging camps are now located in the town of Jacobs, Ashland county, and 70,000,000 feet of logs will be banked there this winter. Twelve hundred men are employed in the camps there.

Four Men Drowned.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 9.—George Bishop, Walter Hueb, William Edwards and August Caerway, residents of this city, were drowned yesterday by the capsizing of a boat in the Mississippi river at College Point.

The Grain Supply.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—The visible supply of grain in the United States yesterday was: Wheat, 78,785,000 bushels; corn, 6,161,000 bushels; oats, 4,012,000 bushels; rye, 630,000 bushels; barley, 2,874,000 bushels.

Defaulter Arworthy Dies.

HAMILTON, Ont., Dec. 8.—Thomas Arworthy, the defaulting city treasurer of Cleveland, O., died at 8:30 o'clock Wednesday afternoon.

ARMY WILL RESIST.

Provisional Forces in Hawaii Will Oppose the Queen.

They Will Yield to Nothing Less Than United States Troops—News Brought by the Latest Steamer from Honolulu.

WILLIS IS WAITING.

HONOLULU, Nov. 19 (via schooner Transit to San Francisco, Dec. 9).—During the afternoon the Alameda sailed Minister Willis made a statement that nothing definite would be done here until he had received a reply to dispatches sent to Washington by the Alameda. This statement was published in the Star, Thursday the Bulletin published a letter from Minister Willis in which he said he wished his remarks in the Star to apply to the entire press of Honolulu. The stand taken by Minister Willis in his interview with the Star, which was revised in proof by him before publication, caused considerable anxiety in government circles, owing to the intimation that any breach of the peace would be punished by the American minister. To a reporter his words were that any trouble precipitated on the other side would be stopped at once by United States forces.

President Dole Satisfied.

On the morning of November 17, the day after the Alameda left, President Dole called upon Minister Willis to learn how far the authority of the United States was expected to be carried in case of emergency. Upon his return it was learned that the provisional government was fully satisfied with the explanations and limitations made by Minister Willis.

It is the general opinion that the original language used by the United States minister conveyed more than he intended it should. It is understood that President Dole very clearly informed Minister Willis that the provisional government commanded the situation and would require no aid from the United States unless it was called for. President Dole assured Minister Willis that any breach of peace which might occur would be speedily dealt with by the Hawaiian government. The provisional government received assurances on the other points mentioned which were perfectly satisfactory. It is understood that Minister Willis said he would stand back of the present government until the present difficulty was settled.

Protection for the Queen.

Since advice by the schooner Transit, which sailed three days ago, the queen has applied to the provisional government for protection, claiming that she fears violence from foreign residents. The government at once granted her request and a detail of six policemen was ordered by the marshal. The government has informally intimated to the American minister that it is amply able to repress any disorder and wishes no troops to be landed.

Provisionals Resolute.

YOKOHAMA, Dec. 12.—The steamer China, which left San Francisco November 21 and Honolulu probably about November 28, has just arrived here. Correspondents went aboard and had interviews with the officers and passengers regarding the situation of affairs in Hawaii. They stated that when the steamer left the islands the provisional government was still in power and was maintaining a very determined attitude. Much excitement prevailed among business men and the people generally, and the action of the United States government was awaited with the greatest anxiety. The members of the provisional government were resolute in their declarations against the restoration of the monarchy and openly expressed their intention of resisting to the utmost any attempt that President Cleveland might make to reinstate the queen.

Need a Million Dollars.

CHICAGO, Dec. 11.—A million dollars for charity in Chicago this winter is the demand made by the people who are most intimately acquainted with the suffering and destitution of the city's unemployed. W. P. Rend, chairman of the relief committee, says that over 100,000 resident workmen in the city are out of employment.

Horses a Drug in the Iowa Market.

BURLINGTON, Ia., Dec. 12.—A statement is made that horses are a drug on the market in Iowa. Complaint is made that too many farmers have gone into the business of stock raising. At several sales recently only medium prices were secured. First-class horses can be bought for a song.

Death of J. H. Murphy.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—Jeremiah H. Murphy, ex-member of congress from Iowa, died in this city yesterday from dropsy, aged 58 years. He served in the Forty-eighth and Forty-ninth congresses and won a national reputation for his advocacy of the Hennepin canal project.

Can't Use the Mails.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—United States post office authorities have determined to suppress the bond and investment companies. A list of thirty-nine companies which have been denied the use of the mails have been published.

Bit His Wife's Ears Off.

CARTHAGE, Ill., Dec. 8.—A story comes from Nauvoo at a late hour that a citizen of that place, in a fit of rage, bit both his wife's ears off. The man's name could not be ascertained.

Only a Question of Time.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—Minister Mendonca says the defeat of Mello is only a question of time, and then the Brazilian revolution will collapse.

A BOLD DEED.

A National Bank at South Bend, Ind. Robbed at Noon.

SOUTH BEND, Ind., Dec. 8.—The South Bend national bank, one of the largest and soundest banks in northern Indiana, was robbed of over \$15,000 Thursday.

The bold deed was committed in broad daylight, while hundreds of persons were on the street, and the robbers succeeded in getting away with their rich booty without leaving the slightest clue. Chief Benjamin Rose was at once informed and set his officers at work immediately, but up to this hour no clue of any consequence has been obtained. Every train or other means of leaving the city is carefully watched, and the officers hope to obtain some tangible clue before long. Chief Ross believes there were no less than four men in the gang and possibly more.

TWO HANGED.

Young Pate and Stiers Pay the Penalty for Murder at Danville, Ill.

DANVILLE, Ill., Dec. 11.—Harvey Pate and Frank Stiers were hanged Friday at 1:03 o'clock for the murder of Henry Helmiok.

[The crime for which Pate and Stiers were executed was committed August 23, 1893. Four young men—Harvey Pate, aged 21; Frank Stiers, 19; Elias McJunkin, 18, and Charles Smoot, 17—were great readers of flashy literature. Pate had served two years among the cowboys of Texas. The four conceived the idea of holding up Henry Helmiok, a wealthy farmer. The boys walked 12 miles from the city and way-laid Helmiok and his wife who were in a buggy. Helmiok struck his horses when a demand for money was made and Pate shot him dead. Young Smoot confessed to complicity in the deed and on arraignment all four pleaded guilty. Pate and Stiers were sentenced to death and McJunkin and Smoot to the penitentiary for life.]

FATE OF A DIVER.

While Working on the Bottom of the Lake He Loses His Life.

ARETABULA, O., Dec. 11.—Thomas Gray, a diver, died while working on the wreck of the Pelican, off this port. Gray descended at 9 p. m., and an hour later sent up distress signals. The attendants could not raise him and telegraphed to Cleveland for a diver. The distress signals continued until 6 p. m. when they ceased. At 9 p. m. Diver Edwin Welsh went down and found that Gray had fallen through a hatch and become entangled in some wires. When brought to the surface he was dead. The air connections were all right and there was no water in the suit. Gray either died from fright or chill.

IOWA'S VOTE.

The Official Canvass Ended—Jackson's Plurality 32,216.

DES MOINES, Ia., Dec. 12.—The official canvass of the votes cast at the election for state officers is finished. The following are the totals: For governor—Jackson, 307,089; Boies, 174,879; Joseph, 23,888; Mitchell, 10,332; Jackson's plurality over Boies, 32,210, lacking 2,010 votes of being a majority. Gov. Boies led the democratic ticket, going fully 3,000 more votes than any of his associates. The republican candidates all have a larger plurality than at any former election since 1881.

Cochran Sentenced.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 12.—Henry S. Cochran, the ex-chief weigher of the Philadelphia mint who was recently convicted of stealing \$135,000 worth of gold bullion from the institution, has been sentenced to seven years and six months' imprisonment in the eastern penitentiary.

Suffer Heavy Losses.

ATTLEBORO, Mass., Dec. 9.—The manufacturing jewelers of Plainville, North Attleboro, Attleboro Falls and Attleboro, ninety-six in number, and those of Providence, have suffered losses aggregating \$500,000 by reason of failures in the past year.

Hanged for a Beastly Crime.

HARRISBURG, Pa., Dec. 8.—Sam Tannis was hanged on Thursday for the murder of a schoolgirl of 9 years, whom he outraged and then choked to death.

Dies of Fright Caused by Fire.

HUMESTON, Ia., Dec. 12.—The dwelling of George Mosier, near here, was totally destroyed by fire. Mrs. Mosier died from the fright.

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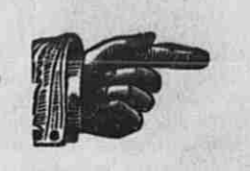
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Miss Mate Newcomb is visiting in Gd. Rapids.

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H. E. Clark of Ada, was in town, last Friday.

Will Porter, of Chicago, is visiting at F. C. Wright's.

M. L. Sweet, of Gd. Rapids, was in town Tuesday.

Dan Bush and Loren Barber drove to Belting Sunday.

Dr. J. B. Hull, of Lansing, is visiting Miss Edith Sayles.

Engine No. 1006, of the L. & H. Ry., is in the repair shops.

If you want to get your meals on time go to a clock of A. D. Oliver.

Klor & Ayres erected four monuments at Caledonia, last week.

The C. C. C. met with Geo. Guilford, on Monday evening, Dec. 11th.

Supr. Land, of the Mich. Bell Telephone Co., was in town Monday.

See those beautiful slippers, selling at 80 and 90 cents at John Robertson's.

J. C. English has sold his farm at Elm Dale to Chas. A. and Geo. T. Clahn.

Go to Hiller's for photographs that never fade. New process, warranted.

Miss Ethel McDaniel entertained Miss Alice Crumback, of Grand Rapids, over Sunday.

The Young Ladies Club have a crazy party at Ora Anderson's, Wednesday evening.

Mr. Frank Newton and two children, of Grand Rapids, are visiting Mrs. P. B. Newton.

The library will be opened Jan. 2nd, 1894.

Mrs. O. A. Robinson, Librarian.

A full line of Roman Flase, Embroidery, Crocheting and Boling Silks at Mrs. J. O'Heron's.

The little son of Fred A. Fallas was quite badly bitten by the dog, yesterday by a dog.

His marriage license was issued, last week to Luman C. Miller and Miss Angie B. Lockwood.

Elmer Adams and wife, of Casnovia, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jos. H. Adams, last week.

Temperance talk at the M. E. church, Sunday evening, Dec. 17th. Subject, "Our Worst Enemy."

The next regular meeting of the W. C. T. U. will be held Dec. 22nd at the home of Mrs. C. T. Moore.

School will begin, in the central building next Monday Dec. 18th and continue through the holidays.

Mrs. R. W. Graham was called to Grattan, Monday, by the serious illness of her father, W. S. Fuller.

The S. O. V. Christmas party will be a good one. Every preparation is being made for the comfort of the guests.

This Hawaiian business is assuming a pretty funny aspect just now and causing Grover and Gresham some uneasiness.

Married at the M. E. parsonage, Dec. 9th, by Rev. A. P. Moore, David S. Boles, of Lowell, to Miss Anna G. Ream, of Plainfield.

A. E. Dennis, of Chicago, is making Lowell returns a visit. Mr. Dennis was recently married to Mrs. Florence Miller, of Des Moines, Iowa.

The school board at its meeting last night decided to reopen the central school next Monday Dec. 18th. School will be continued in that building through the holidays.

Ernest Hunt arrived yesterday (Tuesday), from Waukonda, S. Dak. When he returns he will take Mrs. Hunt with him.

Will Lally, of Harvard, an old Lowell boy, was in town, last week, called here by the serious illness of his mother, Mrs. Thos. Lally.

A series of meetings commenced at the So. Lowell U. B. church, last Monday night. The public is cordially invited to attend.

The chicken-pie social at Ed Traak's, in Keene, was the social of the season. 78 persons enjoyed the sleighride and ate chicken-pie.

Silver stick pins, bar pins and ladies brooches in styles too numerous to mention and at prices that will astonish you at A. D. Oliver's.

Mrs. L. C. Hildreth, of Gd. Rapids, is in town visiting her daughter, Mrs. W. S. Winegar and other relatives and relatives and friends.

Died, Tuesday, Dec. 12th, at 6 o'clock, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Coons. The funeral is at 3 o'clock to day, Wednesday.

Lost, a buckskin purse containing \$50, between Randolph and Elva Ford's, of Otisco. Finder leave at JOURNAL office and receive reward.

Misses Mitaine and Allie Beery were the victims of a very pleasant surprise party last Thursday evening. Dancing and refreshments whittled away the time.

Cards are out announcing the marriage of Miss Jennie Moore to Dewitt N. Barrows, at Chicago, Nov. 26th, 1893. Jennie's many friends here give her their kindest greetings.

Dr. J. B. Hull, of Lansing, presided at the organ at the Congl Church last Sunday. Dr. Hull is one of Michigan's finest amateur organists and a worshiper were given a great treat.

The invitations are out for the wedding of Miss Lydia VanDeusen to Dewitt M. Foster, on Friday evening, Dec. 22nd, at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. VanDeusen.

Mrs. R. Marshall, who has been confined to her bed with rheumatism for some time and with a bad fall, one day last week while trying to cross the room with the assistance of a crutch.

The marriage of Miss Mate R. Winegar to Ernest R. A. Hunt will occur at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Winegar, on Monday evening, Dec. 18th, at 6 o'clock.

Citizens of Lowell, do you want to secure a wood-working establishment? You can do so by giving rent free a site 30 by 100 feet. Will you do it? See D. G. Look, Pres. B. M. A., for particulars.

Henry George, the single tax advocate, will deliver his famous lecture on "The Crime of Poverty," at Lockley Hall, next Monday evening. Several from this place will go down to hear him.

Governor Rich yesterday issued another appeal to the people in behalf of the suffering miners of the suffering miners of the upper peninsula. The destitution is far greater than can be conceived here.

Sarrano catches the rattling good show given by the Metropolitan Novelty Co., next Tuesday evening. This show gave Lowell the cold shoulder, evidently, but we can get all the poor shows though.

Mrs. Marie D. Nichols has organized a choral class and will meet beginners, who wish to study the rudiments of music, Thursday at 4 p. m., at the K. O. T. M. hall, and the choral class at 7:30 p. m.

Died, Friday evening, Dec. 8th at her home in Grattan, Mrs. Andrews, aged 80 years. The funeral was held Sunday Rev. James Provan, of Lowell, officiating. She was laid to rest in the Alton cemetery.

Henry George will give a lecture at Lockley Hall, Grand Rapids, next Monday Dec. 18th. The subject of the lecture is "The Crime of Poverty" and the proceeds go to the Charity Organization Society.

Old residents astonish the people of this generation by telling of having ridden in a boat, the length of Bridge St., in high water times, but putting in the sewer gives the snap away by revealing the fact that Bridge St. has been filled in over six feet since that time.

Married at the episcopal residence in Gd. Rapids, on Thursday Dec. 7th, by Rev. F. O'Connell, Miss Augusta Herbert to Denning A. House, both of this place. They will be at home after Dec. 20th on W. Main St.

The Epworth League will give an oyster supper at the home of Miss Cora Lee, next Wednesday eve, Dec. 20th. Tickets will be provided at the stores of A. L. Coons and Mrs. Elliot. One and all are cordially invited. Supper 5c.

The Lady Macabees gave the K. O. T. M. a surprise Monday night by appearing at the lodge in a body, armed with all sorts of goodies in the line of establish. The lodge immediately surrendered, but before the evening was over the loads were transferred from the baskets of the besiegers to those of the besieged.

The Sons of Veterans will give one of their old time Christmas dances on Christmas night at Music Hall. The dances given by this organization in years past have been the best and this party will in no way fall behind. A jolly good time is assured all who attend.

The Goshen Carpet Sweeper Co. evidently think orders sweep out occasionally for on Tuesdays express the JOURNAL received one of their elegant sweepers. The Goshen Carpet Sweeper not only received first premium at the World's Fair at Chicago, but was universally used in the buildings by the appreciative attaches. We direct attention to the Company's tasty advertisement.

There is a four days billiard tournament, on between the east and west sides. The games, began last (Tuesday) night, are being played at Swayze's billiard room. The west side is represented by A. B. Johnson, Geo. Kitcher, O. M. Coats and Bob Swayze, while E. D. McQueen, Geo. Giles, Tom Donovan and R. W. Elliot are pushing the cues for the east side. Last night score left the west side thirty points in the lead.

At the annual election of Lowell Lodge No. 115, I. O. O. F., the following officers were chosen for the ensuing year:

N. G.—J. C. Bell.
V. G.—H. H. Hunter.
Sec.—W. A. Covert.
P. S.—A. O. Heylbaum.
Treas.—B. N. Kelster.
Trustees—O. L. year, B. C. Smith; two years, R. W. Swayze; three years, J. W. Beery.

Boys, if you take the trouble to work out correctly the following problem it will show exactly what good people think of you. Place the year of your birth on a piece of paper, add your age at your birthday, this year, multiply the result by 1000, and subtract 678,423. Substitute for figures letters of the alphabet, 1. e. a for 1, b for 2, c for 3, etc. and read the result carefully.—Ez.

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Reading Circle Organized.
A reading circle was organized at the residence of Mrs. John Kopf, Monday evening. The meeting was well attended and considerable enthusiasm manifested. It was decided to take up the work of the Bay View circle and the organization was completed by the electing of the following officers:

President and Leader—Rev. A. P. Moore.
Vice Pres.—Miss Myrtle Taylor.
Sec. and Treas.—Harvey Coons.

The work of the Bay View Reading Circle is quite similar to that of the old Chatauqua Circle, though not as extended. It aims to substitute a systematic course of reading arranged, according to an approved education plan, for the random reading done by so many persons. It is for the busy person who wishes to turn his spare moments to the best account. The official organ of the circle is the Bay View Magazine, edited by John M. Hall, the first number of which is just out. The next meeting of the circle will be held at the residence of Rev. A. P. Moore, next Monday evening at 7:45. The Circle starts with a membership list of about fifteen and it is expected that this number will be largely increased at the next meeting. All persons interested are invited to be present.

To Hold a Joint Meeting.
The Grand River Valley Horticultural society, the West Michigan Fruit Growers' association, the Grand Rapids Commercial Fruit Growers' association and the West Michigan Agricultural and Industrial society will hold a joint meeting in the court house December 28-29 for the purpose of discussing matters of general interest to the members of the four societies. The program has been prepared yet, but it will include discussions by specialists.—Gd. Rapids Herald.

Neighborhood Notes.
The fourth of the series of lectures on Old Testament Characters will be given at the Sunday morning service. The theme is "Isaac, the Son of Promise." At twelve o'clock the Bible school will begin its session again.

Young People's meeting at six-thirty in the evening.
Fencing at 7:00.
Meetings each evening next week, except Monday and Saturday evenings. All are cordially invited.

Ernest H. Shanks, Pastor.
Methodist Episcopal Church.

Rev. A. F. Moore, Pastor.
Sabbath School at 10:30 a. m.
Sunday school at 11 a. m.
Epworth League meeting at 6:45 p. m.
Evening service, temperance talk by the Pastor; subject, "Our Worst Enemy."
Prayer meeting Thursday evening, 7:30. All are invited.

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NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES.
Lowell, Mich.

Minor King is moving on the Church farm.
Frank Schwader shipped two cars of fat stock on Saturday.

Theodore Foster is keeping batch's hall in his new Lowell store.
Report says, Elery Trowbridge has rented Mrs. Geo. Tuckers farm in So. Boston.

John Lenhard has moved part of his mill to the lot purchased of J. E. Lott, last week.

Town News.
Miss Lulu Stapleton is home and attending school.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Lane, of Lowell, visited Mrs. Snow, Saturday.

Mrs. J. Wooding visited Mrs. Urel Snow, one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Hesche are the proud possessors of a new girl.

The Ladies Aid was well attended it being a very disagreeable day.

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Last Tuesday John Brown had the misfortune to lose all of his hay and straw and some sheds, by fire.

Nice dry maple wood at Lumber, Ice & Coal Co's.

Grant Hunter is building a barn.

Mrs. G. Smith is on the sick list.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Blakelee visited in So. Boston, the first of the week.

Mrs. N. Rogers visited her sister Mrs. Hotchkiss, in So. Boston, last week.

There seems to be quite a number of neighborhood gatherings to play pedro, lately.

Mrs. Hotchkiss, of So. Boston, visited her daughter, Mrs. W. Blakelee and sister, Mrs. Rogers, a few days of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Blakelee were quite happily surprised Friday evening by about 60 of their friends dropping in on them just as they were getting the baby ready for bed. The evening was pleasantly spent with games and other amusements after a bountiful lunch the guests departed for their homes.

East Lowell.
Dan Linn visited the school Monday.

Everyone is enjoying the fine sleighing.

Seymour Coles made a trip to Indiana, recently.

J. N. Hubbel has been quite ill with the flu and of the quincy.

Miss Weeks, of Alton, Sundayed with Miss Lena Giffney, recently.

Elder Mangle has commenced holding meeting at the Gilbert school house.

J. N. Hubbel and Oral Henderson made a trip to West Cannon, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Buck have been quite ill the past two weeks but are improving.

Elder Mangle, of Lowell was the guest of J. N. Hubbel, Monday of last week.

C. M. Hubbel, of West Cannon and W. J. Tinkens, of Plainfield, are visiting friends and relatives in this vicinity.

The meetings at the Dupree school house are still continuing, about 20 have made a start for the narrow way.

Everything in the line of fine grocery can be found at the reliable house of John Giles & Co.

D. G. H. & M. & T. S. & M. Cheap Holiday Rates.

The Detroit Grand Haven & Milwaukee and Toledo, Saginaw & Muskegon Rys. will sell tickets at a fare and a third for the round trip to all points in Michigan and Canada also to Chicago, Supr. Bridge, Buffalo, Toronto for Christmas will be sold Dec. 23, 24 & 25. New Year tickets, Dec. 30 & 31st 1893 and Jan. 1, 1894, all good to return up to and including Jan. 31st, 1894.

Annual Cheap Canadian Excursion.
The D. G. H. & M. & T. S. & M. will give their annual cheap Holiday Excursion at one fare for the round trip, tickets will be sold Dec. 19, 20 & 21, 1893 and will be valid to return up to Jan. 31

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NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES.

Grattan Gatherings.

Mrs R. Gramam, of Lowell, is with her father, W. S. Fuller, this week.

Lena, daughter of Geo. Rhodes, is suffering from an abscess on her head.

C. Close still continues very low, and at times his sufferings are extreme.

Dr. Grant, of Ionia, visited Mrs Chas. Francisco, who is very sick, Monday.

Mr and Mrs Henry Green and N. Smith are added to our long sick list.

Luther Elkins, who has been at Ann Arbor six weeks, returned home Saturday night.

Willie Ward has returned from Ann Arbor some improved, having gained six pounds in flesh.

Morris Randall, from Ohio, who has been visiting his cousin, J. Randall, returned home, Monday.

Miss May, daughter of Wm. Byrne, is very low with nervous prostration, her case being almost hopeless.

Mr and Mrs Jay Mason attended the poultry show at Ionia, exhibiting several breeds of their choice fowls.

Daniel Rich, of Harbor Springs, called home by his father's death, visited Grattan relatives, among them W. S. Fuller.

The next social of the L. A. S. of Grattan and Oakfield will be held with Mrs R. Cook, Dec. 22nd evening. All cordially invited.

A funeral procession passed through Grattan, Thursday, with the remains of a lady who died at Mr Norton's, in Oakfield. Burial at the Catholic church.

Mrs Silas Williams, of Oakfield, died Monday night. Mr W. was a brother of the late Mrs A. R. Weekes, and the sad message reached her family, Dec. 12th.

Mrs Inman Smith, of Rockford, is visiting her father, W. S. Fuller, who has been very sick with chronic bladder trouble. He is quite a little more comfortable at present.

Jack Welsh, Wm. Donovan and Hilton Watkins have each imported a fine Lincolnshire ram from Canada, and J. U. Bricker a Leicestershire, weighing 175 lbs, at ten months of age.

Abijah Rich, a former resident of Grattan, died at his home in Belding, Dec. 5th, aged 69 years. Burial services at the M. E. church there, with all the children present except one son, Frank, who is in Dakota.

Our oldest pioneer, Mrs A. H. Andrews, passed away, last Friday, at the home of her son, John Andrews, who is himself very sick, making a sad house indeed. This family celebrated the eightieth birthday of the deceased, last September, an age seldom reached by our beloved pioneers.

A. A. Weekes, of Grand Rapids, established a subordinate Court of Forresters at Grattan Centre, Dec. 9th, with the following officers:

Chief Ranger—J. I. Weekes.
Past C. R.—J. A. Lessiter.
Vice C. R.—Lewis Brown.
Financial Sec.—E. L. Brooks.
Recording Sec.—Guy C. Norton.
Treas.—E. E. Lessiter.
Chaplain—L. E. McArthur.
Senior Woodward—Lynn Robinson.
Junior Woodward—W. J. Lessiter.
Senior Beadle—H. Miller.
Junior Beadle—H. Nielsen.
Marshal—G. M. Spencer.
Physician—Dr. G. M. Spencer, also L. E. McArthur, Delegate, and three trustees.

MAUD.

Kopf Bros. have electric power attached to their elevator and now their third floor is as convenient as the first. Step in and take a ride and look over their large and fine stock of furniture.

AITON.

Warren Ford went to Otisco last week on business.

Orrin Ford visited with Seymour Purdy, of Otisco, last week.

Our thaw of Saturday followed with a heavy fall of snow, Monday.

Mrs Armon King, of Otisco, visited Mrs Alice Brown, Saturday.

Mr and Mrs Covert, of Keene visited at S. D. Godfrey's over night, Friday.

Geo. Bradish and wife returned to Greenville on Sunday after the funeral.

The Swiss met at the church, Sunday, for practicing for Xmas exercises, singing and etc.

Mr and Mrs Fred Sayles visited his parents and other relatives at Gd. Rapids last week.

If the JOURNAL cor's don't look a little out Parnell will get away with us we notice she is booming of late.

Geo. W. White, engineer on the steam barge Joyce, was wind bound at Sturgeon, enroute for Menominee.

E. J. Mason exhibited six coops of thoroughbred fowls at Ionia last week, but the result is not yet learned.

Dorus Church, I. D. Frost and their wives took in the show, Friday evening at Cannon and enjoyed the affair very much.

Our sick this week are H. D. Weekes, Mr and Mrs Pat Duffy, John Andrews, Chas. Wilson and wife. All victims of the grip.

James Gunn returned from the north woods, where he has been on a hunt-trip. The party killed 12 deer, but Jas. Andrews says he has not received any venison yet.

A letter from Dora Ford, of Lagrange Iowa, informs us that he arrived home all right and that his daughter Miss Maud has an excellent position as teacher in the schools.

Elmdale, in answer to your question in last week's issue, a Master to address a Grange assembly properly should first address, Worthy Overseer, brothers and sisters, and at the same time give the sign of the order. If addressing a mixed assembly under the management of a grange he should first address the Worthy Overseer, ladies and gentlemen, omitting the sign of the order. When a question has once or more times been voted upon by a grange, a vote to lay up on the table, indefinitely would be in order and taken up at some future meeting.

If you miss looking over Oliver's Holiday stock before you buy you will miss one of the opportunities of your life.

CASCADE.

Mrs Henry Brown is slowly improving.

Mr and Mrs Thomas Wing are in very poor health this winter.

Hugh Brown, Jr., and daughter Hazel are under the doctor's care.

The L. A. S. meets with Mrs D. S. Ingersoll this week Wednesday.

Ethel Finley is sick and Mrs Finley is suffering from rheumatism.

Glenn Thompson, of Grand Rapids, visited his mother, Wednesday.

Miss Hydorn spent Saturday and Sunday at her home in Grand Rapids.

Harry Boughtner, of Gd. Rapids, is at home here, quite sick with measles.

Cascade Grange meets at the hall in the village Saturday afternoon, Dec. 16.

Mrs Walden and son Guy and Miss Dessie Laraway were in Grand Rapids, Saturday.

D. F. Elkerton is moving his saw mill to the village. He has purchased the timber of Mrs L. Beard and Seneca Teeples.

Eugene and Minor Smith, of Grand Rapids, visited relatives over Wednesday night and enjoyed a day's hunting Thursday.

While James Harris and John Stevenson were sawing a tree it fell the wrong way, breaking the saw in two, a part of struck Mr H.'s knee, cutting it quite badly.

Hazen Gardner and family, of Battle Creek, visited Mrs G.'s mother, Mrs W. Streeter, of Whitneyville, a few days ago. They expect to soon go to South Carolina.

We are pleased to know that Henry Mitchell, of Gd. Rapids, has so far recovered from his injuries—received on his way to the County house, as to be able to attend to his duties again.

Benjamin Fountain, of Whitneyville, was found dead in his bed Wednesday, Dec. 6, from heart disease. He leaves two sons and one sister, Mrs John Wooding, of Cascade. He was a much respected citizen.

We return our sincere thanks to those persons who responded so promptly in paying up their accounts. All others owing us are requested to come and settle before Dec. 15th.

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CHAPEL.

John McMillan has gone to Isabella Co.

No school today (Monday), the teacher is sick.

Perry Spencer is slightly under the weather.

Mrs Lottie McNaughton and daughter, Lottie, are both sick.

Mrs Wm. Grant is about the same, not much improvement.

The young man at Teeple's camp is very low and is delirious all the time.

Lloyd McMillan visited at Howard City and Coral a few days last week.

Uncle John Spence died, Dec. 7th, aged eighty-seven, after a weeks illness.

Miss Brosma, a young lady living near Mr Turner's, died, Dec. 6th, of scrofula consumption.

One day last week, Fred Passmore, the boy living with Ed McNaughton, was kicked by a colt and his arm broken.

Frank Robinson was chewing tobacco while tacking a carpet and swallowed the juice and came near being paralyzed.

News from Orb Smith states that he is improving in health steadily and his mother is better at present than in the summer.

Sam Beach was holding the cutter down to keep it from tipping over as his son drove out of the barn, when he fell and was picked up senseless. He is better but is not able to be out yet as it hurt his right side.

You will find A. D. Oliver located in Kopf Bros.' Furniture Store.

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PARNELL POINTS.

Delly Beech is quite ill.

John Murphy is on the sick list. Grip.

Mrs Mooney has returned to her home at Alpena.

Mr and Mrs Jas. Hurley are very sick with the grip.

Dan Howard has completed the addition to his barn.

M. Hickey and family have moved into their new home.

Chicken pox is making a great many of young folks sick.

Richard McGarry, who has been very ill, is regaining his health.

Andrew Quillan went, Monday, to finish Henry Mooney's house.

Willie Malone is doing a good business selling cabbage for Jim Abraham.

Mark Burns is plastering his new house, notwithstanding the cold weather.

Charlie McCarthy is home on a vacation from Gd. Rapids, where he has a position with Olney, Judson & Co.

Dean Tuttle was seriously injured by a horse kicking him in the side, at the shop of Jas. Cavanaugh, at Cannonburg.

Plain rings, chased band rings and set rings in great variety, at A. D. Oliver's.

MOOSE LAKE.

Mr and Mrs J. Lusk and daughter, of South Boston, visited at W. Johnson's last Saturday.

C. L. Blakeslee went to Grand Rapids, with a large load of potatoes, Monday. It was a bad day for a long jaunt.

Mrs Daniel Smith, of Hampton, Iowa, is visiting her daughter, Mrs W. Johnson. She arrived here last Friday.

Quite a number of our farmers are hauling home slab wood from the tie mill on John Hulbert's farm, near Cascade.

Herbert White is putting in what pine there is on the Mercer place. There is but very little pine left in the forests of this vicinity.

Remember the Farmer's Institute at Alto, Dec. 21 and 22 (Thursday and Friday, not Friday and Saturday, as stated in last week's paper). Bring your baskets with you and picnic at the Grange Hall. The Institute will be held in the Baptist church. Programmes may be had by application to W. Johnson.

Don't forget that the present prices on ladies and gents watches only lasts 'til Jan. 1st at Oliver's.

Hiler is the man that makes the permanent photographs. Call on him before the 15th for Christmas.

Highest prices paid and fair treatment on all good produce.

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ADA.

Mrs Hunter has been quite ill for the last two weeks.

Miss Lizzie Nairacoon visited Mrs Ike Teeple at her tents, last Saturday.

Mrs Ed Clements entertained the Ladies Aid Society, last Thursday.

Miss Nettie Nairacoon has been at Keene, visiting her sister, Mrs Raymond.

Mrs Hattie Chapin, of Grand Rapids, was here, last Tuesday, selling millinery goods.

Miss Mary Folsom, of Grand Rapids, was here visiting her parents, last Saturday and Sunday.

Master Fred, who was taken from the orphan home some years ago and who now resides at Mrs John McNaughton's, had the misfortune, while leading a colt to water, to receive a very severe kick, which broke both bones in the arm near the wrist. Dr. Richardson was called at once and reduced the fracture.

VERGENNES VISITOR.

Ed. Dixon and Dell Krum are both improving.

Our good sleighing stays with us, we are glad to say.

Ed Alger has been entertaining an un-welcome guest, grip.

We hear that Clyde Collar and wife are moving back to Lowell.

Mrs T. B. Brinton, of Gd. Rapids, has been spending several days visiting Mr and Mrs G. W. Crosby.

Mrs Mary A. Rolf, of East Lowell, is staying with her old friend Mrs G. W. Crosby, for several weeks.

There will be held at the M. E. Church in Vergennes, Thursday evening, Dec. 14, a Silver Medal Contest with the following program:

Music.
Prayer—Pastor Raven.

Music.
The Two Fires—Cora Lee.

In the Busbet or in the Jug—Ina Findley.

Music.
Home vs. Saloon—Nettie Kerr.

The Deacons Match—Melville McPherson.

Guitar Solo,
Parallel Parables—Bessie White.

Personal Responsibility—Florence Gott.

Music.
The Boys of America—Edith Aldrich.

Presentation of Medal.
Music.

Admission, adults 10c children under twelve years' 5c.

If you want to buy a watch be sure and see A. D. Oliver.

Our fine teas will please you.

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FALLSBURG FACTS.

Miss Ida Fey, of Gd. Rapids, is visiting at Peter Bozong's.

John Wright is moving the barn, he purchased of the Lowell Light and Power Co. to his farm.

Chas. Rogers is home from Rockford, where he has been drawing ties, to spend a few days visiting here.

We have heard quite a number speak of the bad place in the road on the north side of the Gile hill,

While sliding down hill last Sunday, Bessie, 4 year old daughter of Arthur Read, was quite badly hurt by running against a rail fence, cutting a gash in her forehead. The Dr. was called and dressed the wound and the patient is doing well.

WEST LOWELL LINKS.

Mrs Sarah Court, who has been quite ill is improving.

Mrs Blanch Johnson is visiting her friend Mrs Stowe.

Mrs Kinyon and Will Kinyon's family are both on the sick list.

About 16 enjoyed themselves at John Campbell's one evening last week.

The meetings held in the Force neighborhood are still progressing and lots of good is being done.

Preaching at West Lowell, Sunday, Dec. 17th, at 11 a. m. by Rev. Tidd. Sunday school at 10 a. m.

School commenced last week, Miss Pearl Horton, as teacher. She gave good satisfaction last term.

There will be a Christmas tree at the West Lowell school house, on Saturday evening, Dec. 23rd. Everybody invited to attend. Rev. Tidd will deliver an address on the birth of Christ.

Do you want cabinets, crayons, pictures, anything in the Photographic line for the Holiday? Now is your time. Hiler makes the best, 25 per cent less than at other galleries. We want wood. (t)

KEENE NEWS.

Mrs Chas. Sayles is on the sick list.

Morgan Titus and Geo. Raymond are taking advantage of the good sleighing by hauling wood to Lowell.

Mrs Hattie and Mrs Will Tredenick and Miss Mattie Lyon, of Gd. Rapids, visited Mrs Tredenick, last week.

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