

THE BIG THREE.

The House Listens to Great Speeches on the Tariff Bill.

Mr. Reed Champions Protection—Speaker Crisp Argues in Favor of the Measure—Mr. Wilson Brings the Debate to an End.

BRILLIANT ADDRESSES.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.—Aside from the great attendance and the final vote on and passage of the tariff bill, the features of the session of the house yesterday were the speeches, closing the debate, of Mr. Reed (rep., Me.), Speaker Crisp, and Mr. Wilson (dem., W. Va.), the author of the measure. Mr. Reed said:

"In this debate, which has extended over many weeks, one remarkable result has already been reached, a result of the deepest importance to this country. The result is that the bill before you is coming from the protection side of the house. It meets with favor nowhere and commands the respect of neither party. On this side we believe that while it pretends to be for protection it does not afford it, and on the other side they believe that while it looks toward free trade it does not accomplish it. Those who are against this bill will do so because it opens our markets to the destructive competition of foreigners, and those who vote for it do it with a reservation that they will instantly withdraw themselves to a new crusade against whatever barriers are left."

"It is evident that there is no ground for the hope entertained by so many moderate men that this bill, bad as it is, could be a resting place where our manufacturing and productive industries, such as may survive, can reestablish themselves or have a sure foundation for the future, free from party bickering and party strife. Hence, also, there can be no foundation for that cry, so frequently raised, that this bill should be passed at once, because uncertainty is worse than any bill can possibly be. So utterly undisputed and so distinctly visible to every human being in this audience has been our growth and progress that whatever the future industrial system of this country may be, the past system is a splendid monument to that series of successful statesmen who found the country bankrupt and distracted and left it first on the list of nations."

Advantages of the American Market.

Mr. Reed eulogized the American market as being the best in the world, owing to the high wages paid here enabling workmen to purchase largely of the comforts of life. Instead of increasing this market, he said, by leaving it to the steady increase of wages which the figures of the Airdrie report so conclusively show, and which have not only received the sanction of the members from New York but of the secretary of the treasury and the democratic bureau of statistics, by this action our committee proposes to lower wages and so lessen the market and then divide that market with somebody else, and all on the chance of getting the markets of the world. Mr. Reed continued:

"To add to the interesting impossibilities of this contention, the orators on the other side say they are going to maintain wages. How can that be possible? All things seen at the cost of production. If the difference between cost of production here and cost of production in England is not equalized by the duty, then our cost of production must go down or we must go out. Our jobs have invited money and men and we have grown great and rich thereby."

"To sum it up, if this protection gives us money and men, and our vast country needs both, it may show why we have so wonderfully prospered. If it does I am inclined to think that the way to have two jobs hunting one man is to keep on making new mills and to prevent the committee on ways and means from pulling down old ones."

But What About the Farmer?

"But what do you say about the farmer? Well, on that subject I do not profess any special learning, but there is one simple statement I wish to make and leave the question there. If with cities growing up like magic, manufacturing villages dotting every eligible site, each and all swarming with mouths to be filled, the producers of food are worse off than when half this country was a desert, I abandon sense in favor of political economy."

"If the hope of agriculturists is in English free trade they had better ponder on the fact that while the wages of artisans have increased in England 45 per cent since 1850 the wages of agricultural laborers have only increased 72 cents, and while the Lancashire operatives in the factories live as well as anybody, except Americans, the agricultural laborers are hardly better off than the continental peasantry. England's example will not do for agriculture."

When a Tariff Will Raise Wages.

"Here let me meet one other question, and let me make it fairly. We are charged with having claimed that the tariff alone will raise wages. We have never made such a claim in any such form. Free traders have set up that claim for us to triumphantly knock it over. What we do say is that where two nations have equal skill and equal appliances and a market nearly equal and one of them can hire labor at one-half less, nothing but a tariff can maintain the higher wages, and that we can prove."

"We are the only rival that England fears, for we alone have in our borders the population and the wages, the raw material, and within ourselves the great market which induces us to the most improved machinery. Our constant power to increase our wages insures us also continuous progress. If you wish us to follow the example of England, I say yes, with all my heart, but her real example, and nothing less, let her keep protection, as she did, until no rival dares to invade our territory, and then we may take our chances for a future which by that time will not be unknown."

Speaker Crisp Begins His Speech.

After his opening introductory remarks Mr. Crisp declared that an examination of the protective system would show that while it was built up for the ostensible benefit of labor it was in truth constructed for the benefit of the manufacturing classes. He pointed out that the wages of laborers in protected industries went down and those in unprotected industries went up as a result of the McKinley act. This was shown by the statistics gathered by the senate committee on Finance. The speaker referred to the artificial condition of protection. It took men, he said, from their natural channels and diverted them to unnatural channels. The same was true in the diversions made in the channels of trade. Protection was a Chinese wall which not only shut out the world but shut in the United States.

Reed's Argument One of Prejudices.

Mr. Crisp was greeted with applause when he said that the three years of protection was a period of retreat during which the masses of people had constantly rebelled against the heavy burdens of taxation. The people had always been stilled at the polls by the republican promises to reduce the tariff, but once successful at the polls, the republican legislators surrendered themselves body and soul to the manufacturer classes. The speaker declared that the gentleman (Mr. Reed) had throughout his speech refrained from the arguments of reason and had used only those of prejudice.

He pointed to the Chinese as an example of what had resulted from a protective policy of hundreds of years, which had sought to make China rich by trading with itself. Mr. Crisp said that for twenty-five years the democratic party had been trying to get into power. It had told the people that if given power it would reduce the burdens of taxation. The people had accepted this promise and given the republicans their votes. This was a surrender of those pledges to the people. It

was not a perfect bill, but it was a step in the right direction.

Cheers for the Income Tax.

In referring to various features of the bill he spoke of an income tax, which brought out loud and loud applause from the strong income-tax element in the house. He cited a speech of Senator Sherman delivered twenty years ago to the effect that a tax which fell heaviest on consumption and did not bear heavily on the wealth and incomes of the country was intrinsically wrong. Mr. Crisp supported the income tax in rigorous terms. He said 180,000,000 of tax on accumulated wealth was but a small tribute in return for the benefits it received.

Mr. Crisp closed with an eloquent appeal to his democratic associates to waive minor objections and to look at the great democratic principles involved. "Let us stand together," he said. "Let us pass this bill and it will bring gladness to the consuming masses, to the farmer, to the laborer and to the American people."

Mr. Wilson Closes the Debate.

Mr. Wilson at once arose to close the debate. He was greeted with great cheers. Mr. Wilson eloquently portrayed the advance of freedom. This bill, he said, was but one of those advances. No McKinley bill could stem the advance of human progress. Great causes could not be laughed or ridiculed away, and the gentleman from Maine could not draw from his memory of sarcasm and wit in order to stop the advance of this cause of lightening the burdens of taxation.

Denies Charges of Sectionalism.

Referring to an income tax Mr. Wilson said he had not wanted it attached to this bill, but once so attached, he supported it with all the loyalty at his command. There was continued applause as Mr. Wilson denied the charges of sectionalism in the bill. He said that the animating feeling of those who had framed this bill was to make this country one in which one man would not be taxed for another, one in which religion, science, culture and education would go hand in hand as the common, unaliened heritage of every citizen.

THE GUILLOTINE.

Anarchist Valiant Beheaded in Paris for His Great Crime.

PARIS, Feb. 5.—Auguste Vaillant, the anarchist condemned to death for throwing a bomb in the chamber of deputies on December 9, was guillotined at the prison de la Roquette early this morning.

He was conducted from the cell in the prison de la Rochette, where he has been imprisoned, to the guillotine. The criminal was placed in position, the signal was given, and in a second the knife descended. The head dropped and the life of a self-confessed enemy of society, religion and all other institutions of civilization was at an end, and a terrible example was set to others of his kind in the nations of the world.

Head Chopped Off in a Quarrel.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Feb. 6.—James Davis and his son, farmers, quarreled with a neighbor, James Holsclaw, at Barnard Monday. The younger Davis seized a rail and, striking Holsclaw, crushed in the side of his face. Then the father picked up an ax and in three blows severed the fallen man's head from his body. No arrests have yet been made.

He Disliked Hotels and Barbers.

CHILLICOTHE, Mo., Feb. 2.—David Austin, a wealthy farmer, a native Missourian and highly respected citizen, died here, aged 74 years. It was his pride that he had never been out of his native state, never ate a meal in a hotel or shaved in a barber shop in all his life, and never had a day's illness until about two months ago.

Tried Three Times.

LEBANON, Tenn., Feb. 6.—The jury here in the famous Turpin murder case has failed to agree and Turpin's fourth trial has been set for next May. Turpin killed James C. Carter at Gallatin, and narrowly escaped lynching. He had been convicted once, and on appeal two mistrials have resulted. He is a very wealthy man.

Must Pay the Widow.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Feb. 3.—Mrs. Margaret Sommer obtained a verdict in the circuit court of \$5,000 against the Consolidated Street Car company as damages for the death of her husband, ex-Alderman Fred Sommer, who was killed by being crushed by a car on the company's line.

Killed Her Baby.

TOLEDO, O., Feb. 2.—At Elyria, O., Mrs. Jacob Hartley, while despondent over the death of her husband, killed her 10-month-old child by cutting its throat with a razor. She then by a similar effort tried to end her own life. Her recovery is doubtful.

Forty-Six Horses Burned.

CHILLICOTHE, Mo., Feb. 5.—Forty-six horses, the property of H. C. Ireland, of this city, which were stabled in two large barns nearly 2 miles apart, were cremated at an early hour Saturday morning by an incendiary fire, causing a loss of \$10,000.

Killed by Grief and Shock.

WAUSAUKEE, Wis., Feb. 6.—Mrs. Causchall, on receiving news by telegraph of her sister's death Monday, took the intelligence so much to heart that in ten minutes she was dead. It was generally supposed that she was in fair health.

Deaths in the Empire State.

ALBANY, N. Y., Feb. 3.—The state board of health estimates that there were 128,500 deaths in the state of New York during the year 1893. This is 2,300 less than occurred the year previous.

A Woman was Crushed to Death.

Recently in Chicago in the rush for food at the office of the county poor agent. The smokeless powder adopted by the Italian army, it is said, irreparably damaged a large number of guns. The aggregate age of three old ladies who sat down to dinner together at Hannibal, Mo., recently was 234 years.

DEATH OF MR. CHILDS.

The Journalist and Philanthropist Passes Quietly Away.

He Leaves a Wife and Countess Friends to Mourn His Loss—A Brief Sketch of His Life and Noble Deeds.

LOVED BY ALL.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 3.—G. W. Childs, proprietor of the Public Ledger, died this morning at 8:01 o'clock at his residence at the southeast corner of Twenty-second and Walnut streets from the effects of a stroke of paralysis sustained by him January 19.

Early in the night Mr. Childs suffered a sudden relapse. His respiration became embarrassed at 10 o'clock and he steadily grew worse from that hour. At midnight his pulse began to flag noticeably. At 11:15 a. m. the physicians issued a bulletin announcing that his condition was beyond all hope. At 1:15 a. m. a second bulletin was issued to the effect that his respi-



GEORGE W. CHILDS.

ration was growing weaker and that his strength, which was held up with marvelous persistence through the weeks of his illness, was falling fast.

Except his wife Mr. Childs had no immediate family, but there were gathered at his house at the time of his death George C. Thomas and James W. Paul of the firm of Drexel & Co., Miss Peterson, Mrs. Childs' niece; Miss Stanley, Mrs. Childs' companion; Mr. and Mrs. John Drexel, the son and daughter-in-law of the late A. J. Drexel, and Col. de V. Morrell, husband of the youngest daughter of the late Frank Drexel.

Began Life a Clerk.

George William Childs was born in Baltimore, Md., May 15, 1829. He was educated at private schools in his native city, and when 14 years old removed to Philadelphia. Soon afterward he became a clerk in a book store and after a service of four years there opened a small store of his own in the old Ledger building at Third and Chestnut streets. In due time he became a publisher of books and at the age of 21 was at the head of the firm of Childs & Peterson. Even at that early day Mr. Childs' ambitions and inclinations were well formed. He had decided to be a newspaper publisher, and it is related that soon after he engaged in business in the Ledger building he stated that some day he intended to be the proprietor of the paper. But meanwhile he achieved considerable success in the publishing business—many of the works issued by Childs & Peterson being of intrinsic excellence, among them being "Dr. Allcotte's Dictionary of English and American Authors." Other standard works were brought out in profusion.

His Ambition Realized.

In 1853 Mr. Childs retired from the firm and the following year witnessed the consummation of his cherished ambition—he was the owner of the Philadelphia Public Ledger. True, when he acquired control of the property the Ledger was unremunerative; but soon after his energy, his enterprise and his determination to make it succeed won him abundant success. The Ledger sprang suddenly into public favor and has continued to this day the most profitable newspaper in Philadelphia, and, indeed, one of the best paying in the United States.

The Printers' Friend.

Mr. Childs took an especial interest in the printers, and nowhere will his death be more deeply deplored than in the composing rooms. It was well that he should provide a resting place for the printer after death, but he did better—made provisions for such of them as became unequal to the struggle for life. In company with the late A. J. Drexel, of Philadelphia, he endowed the Printers' home at Colorado Springs, Col. They gave \$10,000 to start the fund and the Typographical union made up the remainder by assessments, providing for the maintenance of the home in like manner.

The holiday season was the most delightful portion of the year to him, for it was then he had the greatest opportunity for giving. His employees always received a Christmas gift of from \$10 to \$500 in their pay envelopes Christmas week.

Secrets of His Success.

Mr. Childs attributed his success to the fact that he always attended to his own business and never interfered with others. He had two proverbs which were the guiding rules of his conduct. One was: "Do your best, let go the rest." The other was: "What can't be cured must be endured." Another secret of his success was the care he gave his men. Those who worked honestly and faithfully for him always received more than their stipulated salaries. He always gave them every encouragement to make them successful. He watched their personal habits. If they were not inclined to save he tempted them to become economical by making good investments for them, so that they were obliged to save in order to carry on the investment. As a rule all of the employees of the Ledger who have enjoyed life in houses of their own bought and paid for by Mr. Childs, who in return, has only received back the principal advanced. He insured the lives of all the principal men of his paper and paid the premiums himself. Some of the leading men in his office have such insurance upon their lives to the amount of \$25,000. This kind of proprietor watched carefully after the interests of those under him than the average man looks after himself. He paid them all good wages; he lodged them in the most luxurious of quarters; he never made an over-demand upon their attention; he insured their lives for their families; he bought them homes and established them, and when they were broken down with the steady grind of their daily work he sent them off for a vacation with their families and paid the expenses of those families as well as their own. When they became old and broken down in his service he retired them upon full pay.

No man in the United States in an unofficial capacity ever had a wider or a more intimate acquaintance with great men than Mr. Childs. His friendship for Gen. Grant was most notable, particularly when the general met with the reverses which hastened his death.

Rockford, Ill., Feb. 7.—John Hart

was convicted yesterday of the murder of his sisters and sentenced to death.

PROUD OF HIM.

Admiral Benham Commended for His Action at Rio de Janeiro.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.—The feeling of pride and exultation in navy department circles over the achievement of Admiral Benham and Commander Brownson at Rio is displayed without any effort of concealment. It is well understood the admiral has acted on his own discretion throughout the affair. After the firing on American merchantmen on Saturday the admiral cabled the navy department what he proposed to do in view of certain conditions.

The message sent to Admiral Benham Thursday by Secretary Herbert is an unequivocal commendation of his course in every particular. The confidence of the department in his capacity is further shown by the fact that he is left entirely to his own discretion in the further conduct of affairs in the delicate task he has embarked upon. Secretary Herbert's message says:

"We are satisfied entirely with the prudence and judgment with which you have carried out instructions and protected American commerce. Rely upon you for continued exercise of wise discretion."

Moody and Sankey at Washington.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—Dwight L. Moody, the evangelist, and Ira D. Sankey, the singer, will begin a series of meetings in this city Wednesday. A chorus of 1,500 voices has been in practice under the direction of Mr. Sankey. The meetings are to have the support of all the evangelical associations here, and everything points toward an unusually successful series.

Twelfth Woman Admitted to Practice.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.—The twelfth woman has been admitted to practice before the United States supreme court and has signed the roll at that bar. She is Miss Kate H. Pier, a prepossessing young lady from Milwaukee, and Senator Vilas of Wisconsin moved her admission. Mrs. Belva A. Lockwood, of Washington, was the first woman attorney to appear there. She was admitted in 1875.

Ex-Congressman Buckner Dead.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 6.—A Post Dispatch special from Mexico, Mo., says: Hon. A. H. Buckner died here Monday of a complication of diseases. He held many important offices during his life. He was representative from the Seventh Missouri district in the Forty-third, Forty-fourth and Forty-fifth congresses, voluntarily retiring in 1884.

Dying from Whisky at the Age of 101.

MARTIN, Ky., Feb. 6.—John Garrett celebrated his 101st birthday by drinking a quart of whisky and now lies in a dying condition. Garrett had just returned from his fourth trip across the Atlantic. He was a veteran of the Mexican war and went through the late war under Gen. Lee.

Another Out of 10 Per Cent.

WHEELING, W. Va., Feb. 6.—A cut of 10 per cent in the wages of 1,500 workmen at the Riverside iron works at Benwood, W. Va., went into effect Monday. This makes about 45 per cent reduction since August. There is much discontent and talk of a strike.

The New Bonds.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—Secretary Carlisle's new issue of bonds will not be ready for delivery before the middle of the present month.

Tornado in Alabama.

GATE CITY, Ala., Feb. 4.—A tornado wrecked a church here yesterday and four persons were killed and many others were injured.

Mines Were "Salted."

EL RENO, O. T., Feb. 6.—The gold excitement in the Wichita mountains near here culminated in the discovery that the alleged valuable mines had been "salted."

Fire at Omaha.

OMAHA, Neb., Feb. 4.—Incandescence lights started a blaze in the Boston store in this city last evening which did about \$300,000 worth of damage.

Champion Oyster Eater.

NEW YORK, Feb. 2.—Tom Nelson, a bartender, established a reputation here yesterday as the champion oyster eater of the world by swallowing 150 of the largest bivalves in as many minutes.

Public Debt Increases \$7,850,000.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.—The debt statement shows an increase of the public debt for the month of January of \$7,850,000. Cash in the treasury \$787,120,158.

Punished for Slander.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Feb. 3.—Ex-Priest McNamara was sentenced to a year in jail and a fine of \$500 for slandering Father Dalton of this city.

Prohibition the Basis.

CHICAGO, Feb. 5.—Forty men and several women met yesterday to organize a "Christian Federation" church. Prohibition is the basis.

The Pyramid Pile Cure.

Is a new discovery for the prompt, permanent cure of Piles in every form. Every druggist has it.

Ripans Tabules: gentle cathartic.

Advertisement for Indapo medicine, featuring a portrait of a man and text describing its benefits for various ailments.

Advertisement for 'GOOD FOR TWO CENTS' featuring a pointing hand graphic and a list of participating businesses in Lowell.

Advertisement for Lowell State Bank, Lowell, Michigan, listing capital stock, interest rates, and bank services.

Advertisement for CHAS. J. CHURCH & SON, BANKERS, featuring lumber and coal products with prices and contact information.

Advertisement for 'HARD TIMES ARE WITH US' featuring stationery and business cards, with a list of products and prices.

THE JOURNAL JOB ROOMS.

Advertisement for 'The Greatest Business University in America' featuring 'Curtis Business College' and its various programs.

DRESS GOODS SALE

Here we are again with the
BIGGEST THING YET!

During this Sale, commencing on Feb. 12 and lasting one week only, we will sell all Wool, Worsted and Silk Dress Goods at a lower price than ever before known. Anyone who needs a dress, or is going to need one this spring or summer, ought to take advantage of this sale.

A. W. WEEKES.

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report.

Royal Baking Powder

ABSOLUTELY PURE

NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES.

All of our correspondents are requested to mail or send their items so they will reach us not later than Tuesday noon. This is a matter of importance to us, so please be prompt.

ALTON.

Miss Eva Andrews is quite sick.
Arthur Reed is not improving.
Mr and Mrs Nelson Holmes visited at S. D. Godfrey's, last Wednesday.
Mrs Westbrook, of Campbell, visited her daughter, Mrs David Condon, one day last week.
Wilber Heath went to Grand Rapids, Monday.
John Wright had a sheep killed by dogs last week. He has been called on five times to appraise the value of sheep killed at Vergennes.

Bry Condon went to Pierson to move Fred Miller and family down in this vicinity.
Ernest Godfrey and wife, Mrs Alice Brown and Mrs Eliza Covert went to Lowell, Sunday.

D. M. Peterson and wife, of Oakfield, visited Stephen Bunnels and family, recently.

C. R. Porter and wife went to Belding Tuesday last week.

Bert Campbell, of Gd. Rapids, came home for a few days and to attend the dance at Lowell, Thursday night.

Fred Sayles had eleven sheep killed and six wounded by dogs, one belonging to Mr Owen he shot in the yard. Another one he tracked seven miles.

John Rennels, wife and two children Sundayed with his brother in Keene.

Fred Sayles and wife Sundayed with his grandfather, Elias Sayles, and with Geo. Raymond.

Ben Morse and wife, of Lowell, visited Orrin Ford and wife and other friends a few days last week.

Mrs Edmund Ring has an orange tree with a ripe orange as large as a walnut on it.

Mrs Lavender visited her son at Oakfield, last week.

Chris and Abe Blasser went to Pierson last week.

Mr Porter began sawing logs at E. King's, Monday.

Mrs Wm. Aldrich and Mrs Oscar Scofield visited Mrs Holden, of Fallsburg, last week.

About 23 cords of wood were cut at Mrs Alice Brown's wood bee, last Tuesday.

Sunday was Mrs Lemuel Davis' birthday and Mr and Mrs R. B. Davis', and Mr and Mrs Lon Conrad's anniversary, so a party of friends met at L. Davis' and celebrated. All enjoying a pleasant time.

Monday evening the musicians played six set an hour until twelve o'clock.

S. D. Godfrey is cutting a large quantity of pickets.

Born to Mr and Mrs Frank Walsh, Feb. 1st, a daughter. Mrs Walsh was a former resident of Alton, but now resides at Chicago.

The following officers have been elected for Alton Grange for the coming year:
M.—G. H. Godfrey.
O.—Frank White.
L.—Helena A. White.
S.—Otis White.
A. S.—Charlie Godfrey.
Chap.—Mrs G. H. Godfrey.
Treas.—Orrin Ford.
Secy.—Sarah White.
G. K.—Geo. Fletcher.
P.—Mrs Otis White.
F.—Mrs Geo. Fletcher.
C.—Mrs Orrin Ford.
L. A. S.—Cora Godfrey.

Stephen Trumbull, of New York, is visiting his sister, Mrs John Williams, of Fairplans, this week.

The dance given by Charlie Burns and Thos. Driscoll, Monday evening, was one of the pleasantest dances of the season. Twenty-seven couples participated.
John Wingier is building a cheese factory.

Those \$15 Bedroom Suits can be bought now for \$13.50 at Kopf Bros. See them.

The JOURNAL editor wants cash. If you owe him now is a good time to pay.

Grattan Gatherings.

Frank Cranmore is having a serious time with lung trouble.
Last week we recorded a girl for Jan. 25th and 26th, and it also should have read: To Mr and Mrs Elmer Little a fine daughter, Jan. 27th.

Miss Effie McArthur and school visited Miss Nellie Randall's school in the Ashley district, Jan. 31st.

Mr and Mrs John Byrne are in Muskegon, making a short visit with their daughter, Mrs J. Doran.
The L. A. S. will hold their next social with Mrs Lon Smith, Feb. 16th. It will be a box social with lots of fun. All invited.

Over twenty couple, nearly all Grattan citizens, put in the day at Bricker's Hotel, Belding, Feb. 3rd. The dinner was rather a cool surprise. Otherwise the good-fellowship had a happy meeting.

Married, at the Grattan Catholic church, Monday, Feb. 5th, by Rev. Fr. Crumley, Mr Kinney, of Ada, and Miss Rose Downs, of Vergennes.

George Wood, who is about to return to his home in South Dakota, visited his old friend W. S. Fuller, Feb. 4th. Mr F. has had another very bad spell, but Dr. Spencer soon gave him great relief, and he is resting nicely at present, but very weak.

Mrs Lem Davis and family greatly enjoyed her thirty seventh birthday, Feb. 4th. They were joined by Mr and Mrs Lon Conrad, who had been married eight years that day, and Mr and Mrs R. B. Davis, four years; they all meeting in honor of the three anniversaries. Mr and Mrs Morris Trumbull were also present with these happy friends.

Miss Anna Gowen, of Nelson, is spending a few weeks with Mrs Amanda Aldrich, her grandmother.

Asa Wood was called, Feb. 4th, to see his friend Mr Reed, of Vergennes, who is such a sufferer from paralysis.

E. Allen, so very low, is yet alive, also Mrs Sears. Our long sick list looks hopeful for speedy recovery with some, others still linger, especially Ambie Jenks, who is now pronounced insane, on good authority.

MAUD.

Everything, always the best, cheap for cash at Johnson's.
Alger & Perry offer great inducements on Farm Insurance.

Keene News.

Last Friday Mr and Mrs James Tredenick went to Grattan to visit Jay Mason and wife and to see the chickens which were a sight. They have 100 now, more hatching every week. Also called on Mr and Mrs W. S. Fuller, Mr Fuller's health is very poor.

Mrs Hattie Tredenick and children spent Saturday with Mr and Mrs James Tredenick.

Amos Abbott is in very poor health.

The box social will be Friday evening.
Frank Converse and wife Sundayed with Mrs C's mother, at Otisco.

Mrs Mathew Brown was buried Thursday, Feb. 1st.

Miss Lena Murphy, of Lowell, spent Saturday with friends here.

About 25 of Miss Ida Converse' friends surprised her last Friday evening and the evening was very pleasantly spent. Those from abroad were, L. M. Foster, of Ionia, Miss Ayers, of Saranac, Miss Swader, of Bowne, Misses O'Neil and Sweetland, of Lowell and Miss Chadwick, of Boston.

The Aid Society will meet Feb. 14th. J. Morison and family, of Gd. Rapids, are spending a few days with Dell Bowen and wife.

Misses Nettie McNaughton, of Lowell and Flora Hildreth, of Gd. Rapids, have been visiting Mr and Mrs Will Tredenick.

There was a very pleasant surprise at Mrs Henry Tredenick's. Ten ladies with well filled baskets came out from Lowell. Oh, how Henry's young roosters suffered.

While Arthur Sayles was hauling wood he slipped and fell hurting him quite badly.

Mrs Hatch is suffering with the grip.

N. P. Husted & Co.'s plum, pear, cherry and apple trees and grape vines cannot be beaten.

Bowne.

The Misses Grace Proctor and Cora Hutton, of Grand Rapids, are visiting at Lester Hutton's.

Katie Johnson visited her sister, Mrs John Porritt, last week.

Charley Fletcher, of Grand Rapids, visited the Bowne Center school Wednesday afternoon.

Clayton Johnson spent a few days with his cousin, James Johnson, at Irving, last week.

The south Bowne school gave a social at Wm. Porritt's Friday evening. A large crowd was out and a good time reported. They raised \$9.59. They are trying to get an organ to put in the school house.

The young infant of John Laver's, which has been sick for some time, was buried at this place Friday forenoon, at 10 o'clock.

Henry Lott and wife, of Elmdale, spent the Sabbath with the latter's parents, Mr and Mrs John Porritt.

John Nash is on the sick list, but in the absence of any physician at the Center, is able to be out at work. That's one on the M. D's.

John Cole has returned to Kalamazoo, after a few weeks visit with his sister, Mrs W. H. Watts.

Buy Dress Goods of A. W. Weekes, Nice dry maple wood at Lumber, Ice & Coal Co's.

Call on Alger & Perry for Insurance.

Town Line Tidings.

Quarterly meeting will be held at the River School house, Feb. 10 and 11. Rev. C. D. Jarvis, of Charlotte, will be present. Service Saturday at 2 p. m.

Miss Altie Fuller, of Gd. Rapids, is visiting Miss Hattie Sargent.

Mr and Mrs Ed. Albright, of Vergennes, Sundayed with Miss Hattie Sargent.

Mrs W. F. Rector went to Gd. Rapids Monday.

Charlie Rogers, of Vergennes, visited, Fred Westbrook over Saturday.

Mrs H. Westbrook attended meeting at the Morse church, Sunday.

Rev. J. H. Westbrook, of Bowne, visited with Mrs H. Westbrook and family, one day last week and attended meeting at the River School house.

This neighborhood is well represented every evening at the River school house. George Sargent visited friends in Vergennes, one day last week.

Nelson Kimball, of Ontario and Clinton Hooper, of Logan, spent Thursday night with Mr and Mrs Uriel Snow.

CLAY.

Should be kept at stables and stock-yards.—Salvation Oil is the best friend not only of man, but of dumb beasts as well. For swollen joints, strained tendons, old sores, saddle galls, and wounds of all kinds there is no remedy like Salvation Oil. Price 25c. per bottle.

Morse Lake.

Mark Warner's children are down with scarlet fever. Mr Boyce's children have had it but are now better.

Miss Edith Clark is on the sick list, also Miss Katie Belle Brannan.

Two weeks ago last Saturday there was a teachers association organized at Alto, with Miss May Aldrich, Pres., Miss Mattie Stone, Vice Pres., and Robert Stone, Secretary. The second meeting was held a week ago last Saturday, with a good attendance and a very interesting program. The next meeting will be held next Saturday, Feb. 10.

Messrs. Arthur Martin, Herman Vanderstolpe and Ralph Thorne, were at W. Johnson's for a hunt a few days ago. They slaughtered ten rabbits and two squirrels.

The scholars of the Merriman school have organized a literary club, called "The Jolly Ten." They meet from house to house, on Tuesday evenings.

We were grieved to hear of the sudden death of Alva Stewart, of this vicinity. He had typhoid fever. He leaves a wife and small child.

We are sorry to hear that Vincent Graham is failing quite rapidly.

There are revival meetings in progress at Morse Lake church.

W. B. Graham has gone to Pittsburg with a carload of potatoes.

Four pounds of Corn or Gloss Starch 25 cents at Johnson's.
Nice dry maple wood at Lumber, Ice & Coal Co's.
Best 60 cent molasses, now 40 cents, bring in your jug, at Johnson's.

Vergennes Visitor.

Mr and Mrs M. N. Hine, of Lowell, visited at G. W. Crosby's last week.
Mr and Mrs Geo. Godfrey, of East Lowell, visited Mrs G's brother, Wm. Collins and family last Wednesday.

Mr and Mrs J. W. Walker, of Lowell, visited their daughter, Mrs Lute Bailey, last week.

J. W. Walker has sold his farm here to P. P. Misner, of Muskegon.

Mrs E. M. Brasted, of Grand Haven, visited her old time friend, Mrs G. W. Crosby, one day last week.

Miss Gertie Collins and brother, Jimmie, visited their aunt and uncle, Mr and Mrs J. P. Todd, of East Lowell, a part of last week.

Mrs G. W. Crosby is a great sufferer from rheumatism and has been confined to her bed with a severe attack of grip. Is some better.

Here is a definition of grip and we think it about correct. "It is a combination of bad colds, several degrees at once, continual headache, wind colic, sickness at stomach, blind staggers, chickenpox, straght, seven-year itch, disordered liver, kidney trouble, each bone in the body trying to ache harder than the other and forty other indescribable diseases. All of these, sometimes more, never less, at the same time."
OLD NICK.

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Cascade.

Mrs Chas. Buttrick, Sr., has returned from a two weeks visit in Gd. Rapids.

Ed Denise, who has been very sick, is slowly improving.

The meetings still continue in the village. Seventeen names were added to the church last Sunday.

Dr. and Mrs Danforth, of Gd. Rapids, drove out to Cascade, Friday. Mrs D. remained until Sunday eve and attended the meetings. The Dr. contemplates going to California in the near future, hoping a much needed rest may benefit his health.

Wirt Merrill entertained a half-brother from Lansing, recently.
The Literary Society, of E. Cascade, held an oyster supper at James Harris', Thursday eve. Many visitors were present and a very enjoyable eve reported.

Miss Dessie Laraway is visiting an aunt near Adrian.

Truman Strong and family have gone to Tennessee, where he has employment. Frank Vanderhoof and family have moved into his house. Mr. Durkee has moved into Mrs Sanbrook's house vacated by Mr V.

Winnie Wisner has returned to Chicago.

W. J. Watterson spent a week in Saginaw recently.

Misses Millie and Lucy Stow, of Caledonia, attended the meeting Sunday.

Mrs Effie Rogers, of Grand Rapids, is visiting her mother, Mrs McCullough.

The L. A. S. meet, this week, with Mrs Jas. Stow.

John Headley and wife, of G'd Rapids spent Sunday at Chas. Buttrick's.

Miss Hydon entertained a friend, Miss Bradford, of Gd. Rapids, over Sunday.

D. F. Elkerton has purchased the timber on Mrs Tom Cook's farm.

Hope to hear from the Town Line cor. this week.

Miss Belle Vanderhoof is attending school in Gd. Rapids.

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Parnell Points.

Tom Gibbons is back from New York State, where he has been visiting his sister for several weeks.

Miss Kate Loughlin is spending a week in Gd. Rapids.

Misses Kate and May Rusche, and Henri Dykstra have returned to their home, at Gd. Rapids.

Miss Aggie Walsh is quite sick.

Mrs Giles is sick with a bad cold.

Wm. Gram, of Croton, who was a resident of Cannonsburg forty-seven years ago, has been calling on some of the old pioneers and they pleasantly recalled the reminiscences of "auld langsyne."

Miss Lizzie Doyle gave a very pleasant party last Friday evening.

Mr and Mrs Mark Byrne, who were married recently, have moved into their new house. The party they gave to their young friends Friday evening was a genuine house warming. Music, cards and supper make a pleasant time and all went "merry as a marriage bell." The "merry" hours closed the scene the guests departing wishing their hosts success and happiness in their new home.

For sale, house and two lots. Small payment down, balance long time.
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McCORDS ITEMS.

The ground hog has been out, seen his shadow and gone back to stay six weeks longer.

Leonard Fisher and family have moved from the old homestead to a farm in Caledonia which Mr F. purchased, last fall. The neighbors turned out with teams and helped a bee to help in the moving. Norm Thomas led the van with a load of mysterious looking barrels and kegs, followed by fourteen other well loaded wagons.

Mrs Deroy Wood has been very sick the past week with grip, threatened with pneumonia.

Mrs E. L. Curtis has been quite sick with grip.

Charlie and Rebecca Boyce are very sick with scarlet fever. Also Mark Warner's three children with same disease.

E. D. Seeley has sold his interest in the picket mill to Albert Broadbent.

The Ladies Aid Society will meet with Mrs W. Johnson, Wednesday, the 7th. Fred M. Sayles and family, of Alto, are visiting at S. E. Kiel's, this week.

Mr and Mrs Wiener entertained Mr W's grandmother last week.

Some of the brothers and sisters of South Boston church and Pastor Kenyon, held a prayer meeting with Mr and Mrs Keefer Wednesday evening.

The revival meetings will continue at the South Boston M. M. church, this week.

Geo. White, of West Cannon, is the guest of J. N. Hubbel.

Mrs King is in very poor health.

Mr and Mrs A. White, Mr and Mrs J. Weitz and L. Cogswell, son and daughter, were the guests of Mr and Mrs C. Hendershott recently.

THE MARKETS.

	NEW YORK, Feb. 4	CHICAGO
LIVE STOCK—Cattle	44 00	43 00
Sheep	2 00	2 00
Hogs	5 75	6 00
FLOUR—Winter Patents	3 25	3 50
Minnesota Patents	3 50	3 50
WHEAT—No. 2 Red	69 00	69 00
Ungraded Red	62 00	62 00
CORN—No. 2	42 00	42 00
Ungraded Mixed	42 00	42 00
OATS—Track Mixed Western	34 00	34 00
EYE—Western	50 00	50 00
PORK—Mess, New	12 25	12 25
LARD—Western	10 00	10 00
BUTTER—Western Creamery	18 00	18 00
Western Dairy	15 00	15 00
BEEVES—Shipping Steers	12 00	12 00
Cows	1 00	2 00
Stockers	2 00	3 00
Feeders	2 00	3 00
Butchers' Steers	2 75	3 25
Bulls	1 50	2 50
HOGS	4 00	4 00
SHEEP	1 50	1 75
BUTTER—Creamery	18 00	18 00
Dairy	12 00	12 00
EGGS—Fresh	13 00	13 00
BBM—COBOL	35 00	40 00
Western (per ton)	35 00	40 00
Western Dwarf	50 00	50 00
Illinois, Good to Choice	50 00	47 00
POTATOES (per bush)	40 00	25 00
PORK—Mess	12 25	12 25
LARD—Steam	7 75	7 75
FLOUR—Spring Patents	3 50	3 75
Spring Straights	3 25	3 25
Winter Patents	3 25	3 25
Winter Straights	2 50	2 50
GRAIN—Wheat, No. 2	69 00	69 00
Corn, No. 2	34 00	34 00
Oats, No. 2	27 00	27 00
Rye, No. 2	44 00	44 00
Barley, Choice to Fancy	50 00	50 00
LUMBER	15 00	12 25
Floor	35 00	43 00
Common Boards	14 00	14 25
Fencing	11 00	11 25
Lath, Dry	2 40	2 40
Staples	2 25	3 00
CATTLE—SHIPPING	12 00	12 00
Stockers and Feeders	4 75	5 10
HOGS	5 00	5 10
SHEEP	3 00	3 25
CATTLE—STEERS	12 00	12 00
Feeders	2 25	3 00
HOGS	5 15	5 25
SHEEP	2 25	3 00

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