

DIED TOGETHER.

Destitution Drives a Nebraska Couple to Suicide.

John Harris and His Wife Kill Themselves and Their Baby Near Paxton—Fear of Starvation Caused the Deed.

PAXTON, Neb., Jan. 15.—This community was startled Monday morning by reports brought in by neighbors that John Harris and his wife, Ida, were found dead at their home, 8 miles southwest of here.

The coroner at once notified and repaired to the place, where a horrifying state of affairs was discovered. Mrs. Harris was lying on the bed entirely nude, with her throat cut from ear to ear, and the bed clothing saturated with blood.

The coroner at once empaneled a jury, and from investigations made, it appears to be a case of premeditated suicide, the deed being done with a razor, which was found lying on the floor.

It was discovered that Mrs. Harris had partly given birth to a child, and it is supposed that Harris gave her the razor and she cut her own throat while lying on the bed, he doing likewise immediately afterwards.

Harris had evidently walked or crawled to the door and stepped outside after cutting his throat, as a bloody trail was found on the doorstep. The motive of their deed was doubtless their destitution. The following letter was found written by Harris in a very clear hand:

"Dear Old Parents: We have decided to end our lives together. Ida took sick before daylight and it is now 7 o'clock. I cut her throat and I am about to cut mine. I would give the world to see my poor old parents; it seems like a year since I saw any of my folks. Your beloved children."

FELL SIXTY FEET TO HIS DEATH.

John A. Mackenzie, of Duluth, the Victim of an Accident.

DULUTH, Minn., Jan. 14.—As a result of an accident Saturday evening at the Spaulding hotel, John A. Mackenzie, one of Duluth's well-known business men, lies dead. He tripped and fell from the landing midway between the third and fourth floors of the hotel to the marble pavement below, 60 feet, striking on his head and fracturing his skull.

Mr. Mackenzie leaves a wife. He was highly connected in Scotland, and Gen. Mackenzie, of the British army, is an uncle.

Lexow Committee's Report.

ALBANY, N. Y., Jan. 15.—The Lexow committee has finished its report. The report will recommend a continuation of the investigation into the administration of other New York city departments as well as the police department in case the city authorities require it.

The report will emphatically summarize the corrupt condition which has been shown to exist in the New York city police department and with it will be submitted bills carrying out its recommendation if they are drafted in time.

Looks Bad for Them.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14.—Counterfeit \$10 United States legal tender notes issued under the act of March 3, 1863, series of 1880, check letter B, W. S. Rosecrans, register, S. E. H. Nebeker, treasurer, portrait of Webster, small pink scalloped seal, have made their appearance in the west. The notes are printed on pulp paper and their general appearance is bad.

Missing Man Can Have a Farm.

VARNA, Ill., Jan. 14.—Interest in the mysterious disappearance of James Foster four years ago is renewed by his falling heir to 180 acres of improved farm land worth \$20,000, which reverts to other heirs if he is not discovered. Foster is 36 years old. A large reward is offered by Foster's family for his discovery.

Farrin, the Dwarf, Dead.

NEW YORK, Jan. 11.—George B. Farrin, who was only 3 feet high, was found dead in front of 401 East Sixteenth street, where he lived. The doctor said he died of alcoholism and exposure. Farrin had exhibited himself with Barnum & Bailey and in museums. He was 56 years old.

Pierce Stole \$8,000,000.

YANCKTON, S. D., Jan. 15.—Information received here from London regarding J. T. M. Pierce's swindling transactions show that the aggregate British losses may reach the sum of \$8,000,000. A letter from a London firm of solicitors says that not a quarter of the transactions have yet come to light.

William Taylor Hanged.

LEXINGTON, Ky., Jan. 12.—William Taylor, the 20-year-old negro who murdered Squire David Doty in Madison county on December 2 last, was hanged Friday at Richmond in the presence of 6,000 persons, including several hundred ladies.

Col. Colt Indicted.

COLUMBUS, O., Jan. 14.—Col. A. B. Colt received a telegram Saturday afternoon from Washington Court House, stating that he had been indicted for manslaughter in connection with the recent riot. Sheriff Cook was not indicted.

Aid for Nebraska Sufferers.

DENVER, Jan. 15.—The Burlington railroad has shipped to the destitute people of western Nebraska seventy-five car loads of supplies contributed in Colorado.

Serious Flood in Argentina.

BUENOS AYRES, Jan. 11.—Serious inundations have occurred in the province of Mendoza. Twenty lives and property to the amount of \$400,000 have been lost.

SHOT HIMSELF.

A Defaulting Bank Cashier in New Hampshire Ends His Life.

DOVER, N. H., Jan. 15.—Cashier Isaac F. Abbott, whose shortage caused the suspension of the Dover national bank, shot and killed himself in his house Monday afternoon. When National Bank Examiner Dorr came here to examine Cashier Abbott's accounts he said they were badly mixed and that there was a shortage which might amount to between \$50,000 to \$80,000.

Mr. Abbott, who had been under surveillance for some time, admitted that his accounts were short, but refused to say how much. He would not say where the money had gone or how long the shortage had existed.

Just before firing the fatal shot Abbott penned the following note: "The Dover national bank, to the best of my knowledge and belief, is short \$48,000 through me. I have nothing but my memory to rely upon. I have not even a memorandum."

Mr. Abbott was treasurer of the city of Dover and was also connected with the Dover five-cent savings bank, which has offices in the same building with the national bank. It is said, however, that neither the city nor the savings bank will suffer by Mr. Abbott's default and suicide.

SHE WANTS A LIFE PENSION.

Ex-Queen of the Hawaiian Islands Has a Proposition to Make.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 14.—The steamer Australia, which has arrived here, brings advices from Honolulu, under date of January 5, as follows: A report is current here that a few days ago some of the most prominent advisers of the ex-queen informed her of the impossibility of restoring her to power by force, and that acting upon their advice the ex-queen has forwarded a petition for annexation to President Cleveland, at the same time asking the United States government for a life annuity for herself.

FROZEN AT A FIRE.

A Hundred Firemen Suffer at Bradford, Pa.—Two May Die.

BRADFORD, Pa., Jan. 14.—Flames that started at 6:45 o'clock Sunday morning in this city caused, it is believed, by an overheated stove, spread and in four hours did fully \$120,000 damage. One hundred firemen were frost-bitten. J. F. McQuiston's hands were badly burned and were afterwards frozen. Robert Sisco and Robert Helm, of the Citizens' Hose company, were so badly frozen that their condition is critical. The thermometer stood at 8 degrees below zero.

Torn to Pieces.

LIMA, O., Jan. 11.—A terrific explosion of nitro-glycerine took place near Buckland on the Presser farm about noon Thursday. Frank Logan, the well shooter, who lives in Upper Sandusky, James Pettigrew, machinist, and Peter McNally, both of Findlay, were instantly killed, being torn to fragments. The team of horses were also killed and the wagon wrecked.

Down with the Theater Hat.

CARTHAGE, Mo., Jan. 14.—A number of theater goers of this city are preparing a bill which they will ask the legislature to pass making it a misdemeanor for women attending the theater to wear hats of size sufficient to obliterate the view of the stage from one or more persons. The bill is being prepared in good faith and its passage is demanded.

Two Men Blown to Pieces.

FOND DU LAC, Wis., Jan. 15.—John Seales and an Italian, name unknown, were instantly killed Monday by the premature explosion of a blast of dynamite in the A. K. Hamilton quarry. Their remains were blown into fragments and scattered over an acre of ground.

The Grain Supply.

NEW YORK, Jan. 15.—The visible supply of grain in the United States yesterday was: Wheat, 86,165,000 bushels; corn, 41,883,000 bushels; oats, 5,663,000 bushels; rye, 475,000 bushels; barley, 2,264,000 bushels.

Immigrants in December.

NEW YORK, Jan. 11.—The whole number of immigrants that arrived at this port during December was 11,106. Of this number 166 were debarré entrance as paupers and fifty-three as contract laborers.

Robbed a Train.

OTTUMWA, Ia., Jan. 14.—Two masked men entered the express car of a Burlington train near this city Saturday night, and after trying the hands of the occupants, robbed the safe of about \$8,000.

Colony for North Carolina.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., Jan. 12.—A colony of thirty-five people from Michigan and Ohio has bought 25,000 acres of land in Bertie county, this state, and is preparing to occupy it.

Treasurer Under President Lincoln.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 16.—The death is announced of J. H. French at Beloit, Wis. Mr. French was 75 years old, and was United States treasurer under President Lincoln.

An Aged Couple Divorced.

HARRISONVILLE, Mo., Jan. 15.—Eliza Mohnay, aged 66, and John Mohnay, aged 67, after a married life of forty-five years, and having ten children, were divorced here.

Killed for a Nickel.

CAIRO, Ill., Jan. 14.—Wade Hampton and John Hovey (negroes) quarreled about a nickel, and the former killed the latter with a club.

Sewell for Senator.

TRENTON, N. J., Jan. 15.—Gen. W. J. Sewell received the republican caucus nomination Monday night for United States senator.

FROM WASHINGTON.

The Second Session of the Fifty-Third Congress.

Daily Summary of the Proceedings in Senate and House—Measures Discussed, Bills Passed and Others Reported.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—In the senate yesterday the urgency deficiency bill was reported without amendments. The bill for the relief of the homestead settlers in Wisconsin, Minnesota and Michigan was passed.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—A bill was introduced in the senate yesterday providing for a pension of \$50 per month to ex-soldiers for the loss of one arm above the elbow or of a leg above the knee, and of \$60 for the loss of an entire arm or leg. The income tax was discussed, Senator Hill introducing an amendment to test the constitutionality of the act.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—The debate in the senate yesterday on the subject of the income tax occupied the better part of five hours. Most of that time was used by Senator Hill (dem., N. Y.) in advocacy of the amendment offered by him the preceding day, giving courts of the United States jurisdiction to hear and determine suits to test the constitutionality and validity of the tax. He assailed the tax as unequal, uniform and unjust.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14.—Senator Faulkner introduced a bill in the senate on Saturday to regulate the issuing of licenses for the sale and manufacture of intoxicating liquors in Alaska. The urgent deficiency bill was further discussed.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—Senator Sherman introduced a bill in the senate yesterday providing for carrying into effect the international arbitration resolution adopted by congress in 1890. Speeches of Senator Gorman, of Maryland, and Senator Hill, of New York, on various phases of the tariff and financial situation at times were full of keen personal criticism and satire directed at each other.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—In the house yesterday the diplomatic and the post office appropriation bills were passed. An order to close debate on the Carlisle currency bill was defeated by a vote of 129 to 124. This action practically defeats the bill.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—A bill was passed in the house yesterday to define the crimes of murder in the first and second degrees, and manslaughter and rape, mutiny and desertion, and providing punishment therefor, and to abolish the death penalties on other crimes. The District of Columbia appropriation bill (\$5,391,307) was passed.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—In the house yesterday a bill to pay the heirs of William Johnson, of Fayette county, Tenn., for \$13,000 worth of stores confiscated during the war was discussed. An attempt to pass a bill granting a pension of \$100 a month to Maj. Gen. John A. McClernand caused a heated debate, in which Mr. Springer (dem.) and Mr. Clark (dem.) berated southern men for antislavery sentiments. The bill was withdrawn.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14.—The oleomargarine bill was considered in the house on Saturday and the Indian appropriation bill was reported. Eulogies upon the life and services of the late Representative George B. Shaw, of Wisconsin, were delivered.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—In the house yesterday the resignation of John C. Black as representative-at-large from Illinois was tendered. The oleomargarine bill was discussed and a bill to provide for the enlargement of the judicial system of Indian territory was passed.

Once Acquitted, Again in Jeopardy.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Jan. 12.—The grand jury indicted Dr. J. Edward Lee for murder in the second degree in causing the death of Miss Maggie Schloss by malpractice. The case is peculiar in that this is the second time an indictment of this nature has been found against the accused, and he has stood trial once on the charge and has been acquitted.

Will Hang March 15.

FREEDPORT, Ill., Jan. 12.—In the circuit court Friday morning, Judge Crabtree presiding, a motion for a new trial in the case of Thomas Beverly, who was found guilty of the murder of August Altemeyer, was overruled, and the judge passed sentence on Beverly that he be hanged on March 15.

Walked into the River.

MONTREAL, Can., Jan. 15.—A young married woman named Moore deliberately left her house at Windsor Mills after breakfast with her 15-months-old child in her arms and walked into St. Francis river. Both mother and child were swept under the ice by the swift current.

Landed at Ellis Island.

NEW YORK, Jan. 12.—John E. Moore, landing agent at Ellis Island, in his report for 1894, says that during the year 52,561 cabin passengers and 188,164 steerage passengers landed at Ellis Island.

Young Married Couple Killed.

LEBANON, Ind., Jan. 14.—A train struck a sleigh containing a party returning from a wedding near this city and Jacob Moss and Miss Mary Overless, the groom and bride, were killed.

Deficiency Up to Date.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—A treasury statement shows the expenditures so far this month exceed receipts by \$9,213,748, which makes the deficiency for the fiscal year up to date \$33,783,504.

OUR CEREAL CROPS.

What the American Farmer Raised on His Land in 1894.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—The estimate of the area, product and value by states and territories of the cereal crops have been completed by the statistician of the agricultural department, and are presented as follows: The corn crop of 1894 in rate of yield is one of the lowest on record. In the past thirteen years the yield per acre of but one year, namely, 1881, was lower, the yield for that year having been 18.6 bushels for the year 1880. Severe drought and dry winds in a few of the principal corn-producing states reduced the area harvested for its grain value to 62,282,000 from the 76,000,000 acres planted. The product garnered is 1,212,770,000 bushels, having an estimated farm value of \$54,479,000. The wheat crop is above an average one in yield per acre. The entire product for the country is 400,207,416 bushels, which is below the average for the five years 1890 to 1894, inclusive. The farm value of the crop is \$225,202,023. The area according to revised estimates is 94,882,453 acres.

In the revision of acreage the principal changes have been made in the spring wheat states. The rate of the yield is 13.2 bushels per acre. The average value per bushel 49.1 cents.

The estimate for oats, area, 27,023,553 acres; product, 602,086,928 bushels; value, \$214,816,930; yield per acre, 22.3 bushels. Rye, area, 1,944,780 acres; product, 37,737,615 bushels; value, \$13,894,474. Barley, area, 2,120,692 acres; product, 61,400,465 bushels; value, \$27,134,127. Buckwheat, area, 789,232 acres; product, 12,698,300 bushels; value, \$7,040,258. Potatoes, area, 7,737,975 acres; product, 170,737,338 bushels; value, \$91,826,787. Tobacco, area, 523,103 acres; product, 405,673,353 pounds; value, \$27,790,738.

AN EARTHQUAKE.

Shocks Are Distinctly Felt in Paris of Indiana.

PRINCETON, Ind., Jan. 15.—Two distinct earthquake shocks were felt here Sunday night at 9 and at 10 o'clock. Further reports show that earthquake shocks were felt at Owensville, Patoka, Hazelton, Oakland City and other points in the county. At Patoka the shock was severe, shaking dishes and other articles from shelves and damaging plastering on walls. The report comes that at Union, a small town 12 miles north of this city, the shock was severe and did much damage to houses, especially brick ones. The shocks were preceded by rumbling noises for several seconds, followed by vibrations from west to northeast. The shock was light and of short duration. The second lasted some seconds. The jerking motion was followed by deep rumbling.

LIABILITIES, \$4,200,000.

Fidelity Loan and Trust Company of Sioux City Placed in Receivers' Hands.

SIoux CITY, Ia., Jan. 11.—The Fidelity Loan and Trust company passed into the hands of receivers Thursday morning. It is claimed that the company owes \$3,200,000 on 6 per cent. debenture bonds, on which the January interest was defaulted, and that the floating debt of the company is \$1,000,000, no part of which has been paid. The receivers are President Joseph Sampson, of Sioux City, and Gideon H. Candee, of New York.

Father of American Watchmaking Dead.

WALTRAM, Miss., Jan. 11.—A cable received by the officials of the American watch factory Thursday announces the death at Birmingham, England, of Aaron Dennison, the father of American watchmaking, and the man in whose genius originated the present mammoth American watch factory, and its offshoot, the great factory at Elgin, Ill. Mr. Dennison was born March 13, 1812, at Exeter, Me.

A Hint to Illinois Lawmakers.

HARRISBURG, Pa., Jan. 15.—The house of representatives adopted a resolution to the effect that the tomb of Abraham Lincoln is in a neglected condition in care of the Lincoln Monument association, and the governor of Illinois is requested by the Pennsylvania legislature to ask the legislature of Illinois to take the monument under the care of the state of Illinois.

Would Let Women Vote.

BOISE, Idaho, Jan. 14.—The Idaho senate has passed an act to vote on amendment to change the constitution so as to allow women to vote. It will pass the house easily, as a majority are in favor of the measure.

THE MARKETS.

Table with market prices for various commodities including Live Stock, Flour, Wheat, Corn, etc. Columns include item names and prices.

Monument to Colfax.

LA PORTE, Ind., Jan. 14.—The grave of the late Senator Colfax in the city cemetery at South Bend is unmarked, save by a humble slab bearing his initials. Sunday was the tenth anniversary of his death. It is now proposed to pay further tribute to his memory by the erection of a public statue to mark his last resting place.

Kalamazoo Firm in Trouble.

KALAMAZOO, Jan. 13.—Roberts & Hillhouse, druggists and booksellers here for thirty-eight years, gave mortgage in trust to P. J. Hill to pay claims aggregating \$8,000. Their liabilities are \$10,000. Their business, they claim, was ruined by the publication of a statement last summer that Roberts had defrauded Widow Alcott of \$50,000 and he had been called upon for an accounting.

To Improve a Michigan River.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 10.—Secretary Lamont has sent to the house reports of the engineer corps recommending the improvement of the Clinton river, Michigan, and disappearing of the improvement of Kaw-kawlin and Tittabawassee rivers, Michigan.

Death of a Pioneer.

BENTON HARBOR, Jan. 13.—Mrs. Hannah Lucy Osgood, of Coloma, who landed with her family in St. Joseph in 1837, and who was one of the party who sailed up the Paw Paw river, died at her home Saturday.

France Encourages Electrical Progress.

France has for some time past been specially active in the application of electric power to canals, a fact due probably to the importance and extent of her canal system. The latest successful trial reported is one on the canal boats of the Havre-Paris-Lyons company, in which a transferable electric motor and rudder combination is used, while the motor has been driven by current from storage batteries. The canal boat, having a length of thirty-eight meters and carrying one hundred and eighty tons, is driven at a speed of eighty-five centimeters per second, an increase of forty per cent. over the speed with two horses, while the electrical energy consumed was about four and six-tenths horse-power. At times a speed of one meter (three feet three inches) per second was obtained. It is now proposed to employ also a trolley system, as on the Bourgogne canal, and to let the feed water that maintains the levels at the proper height operate dynamos generating the necessary current. France has always been foremost in the application of electricity to navigation.

Size of Babylon and Rome.

The greatest cities of ancient time were Babylon and Rome. The former is said to have an area of one hundred to two hundred square miles; its houses were three or four stories high, but palaces and gardens occupied much of the vast area, so that the population was not what these figures seem to indicate. In fact, it is said by one historian that nine-tenths of this area was taken up by gardens and orchards. The total population of the city under Nebuchadnezzar and his son, Evil-merodach, is estimated at over two million. Rome reached its grandest size during the fourth century of our era, and its population was then about two million five hundred thousand.

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A General Banking Business Transacted.

Money Loaned on Real Estate Security.

Lost on the Pacific.

SEATTLE, Wash., Jan. 14.—The schooner Justice has foundered in Deception pass. All of the crew are lost, probably fifteen men.

French Ministry Resigns.

PARIS, Jan. 15.—Premier Dupuy has handed the resignations of the French ministry to President Casimir-Perier. Unlike too many periodicals which seem to exhaust themselves with their Christmas issue, The Art Amateur, maintaining its steady level of excellence, opens the new year with every indication that during 1895 the artist, art student, and art lover will find as useful a teacher as ever in this always practical magazine. One of the color plates for January is an exquisitely delicate reproduction of the profile of a beautiful woman by Albert Lynch; and there is a sunny landscape called "The Old Sugar House in the Woods," by D. F. Hasbrouck. Eight pages of practical and not too difficult Working Designs as usual are given for Wood-Carving, Embroidery, China and Glass Painting, Pyrography, etc., and there are many more working designs scattered through the profusely illustrated pages of the text. Among the practical articles are "Drawing for Reproduction," "Drapery upon the Human Figure," "Pen Work for Photo-Engraving," "Flower Painting in Pen and Ink," "Flower Painting," "The Value of Criticism," "Figure Painting," "Designing for Lithographers," "The Abuse of Color," "Glass Painting in Vitrifiable Colors," numerous articles on China Painting, "Painting on Tapestry Canvas," "Hints for Amateur Metal-Workers," "The Care and Framing of Pictures," "A Mother's Bed Room," "Notes and Hints for Art Workers," "A Useful Book Case," and "Talks on Embroidery." Nearly all these articles are practically illustrated. The special artist for the month is William Adolphe Bouguereau, numerous examples of whose work are shown, including a very fine double page wood-engraving of the famous "Voice of Spring." There is the first chapter of "An Art Student's Year in Paris," which will make many an American girl long to join her, and the editor in his "Note Book" as usual gives some very valuable points to art connoisseurs as well as some timely cautions to those who would like to become connoisseurs. Price 35 cents. MONTAGUE MARKS, Publisher, 23 Union Square, New York.

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Come and see me.

## GEO. WINEGAR.

LOWELL JOURNAL,  
LOWELL, MICH.

Wednesday, Jan. 16, 1905.

HERE AND THERE.

75 cents—\$1.00 at Althen's 2 off sale.

E. L. Crawford spent Sunday in Grand Rapids.

C. Watters was in Grand Rapids over Sunday.

S. P. Hicks has been quite sick with the grip.

Spit wood \$1.50 a cord at E. R. Quick & Co.

Will Murphy will be one of the clerks at the P. O.

The sleigh ride parties are getting numerous.

Prompt delivery of Wood & Coal from Joe Quigg.

W. M. Clark has sold his drug store to H. H. Hunt.

M. N. Hine, the new postmaster, took possession to-day.

C. J. Church, of Greenville, was in town Tuesday.

Miss Ethel McDannell was in Grand Rapids, Saturday.

Dry beach and maple \$1.50 a cord at E. R. Quick & Co.

Mrs. Chas. Althen is confined to the bed with the grip.

C. C. Winegar returned last week with his eastern trip.

Miss Kate Edmunds will retain her position in the P. O.

Dr. W. Root, of Lansing, visited at F. W. Morton's last week.

J. Q. Look, of Sault Ste. Marie, is in for a short visit.

Miss Ruby Courtney of Saranac, is visiting Mrs. Wm. Ennis.

Mrs. Barrett has returned from a visit with her son at Belting.

Jay Hoyle, of Hastings, visited friends here the first of the week.

The week of prayer was observed at the Cong'l church, last week.

C. W. Parnley, of Matherton, is visiting his brother, G. W. Bangs.

Mrs. J. C. West visited with Mrs. R. W. Graham one day last week.

Miss Ethel Moore, visited her father, J. C. Moore, at Ionia, last week.

Will Anson, of Grand Rapids, was a guest of George Craw last week.

John Husted, of Gd. Rapids, visited his father, over Sunday.

E. S. Higbee, agent of the D. L. & N. at Alto, is authorized to receive subscriptions and advertising for the Lowell JOURNAL.

There are many men in our town, who think that ad's don't pay. You may think they are all wrong, but they are not—they are just not in the right place.

Edward Hulbert, the young man who stole a couple of milk skins from J. C. Train, was sentenced Tuesday, to forty days in jail.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Morton entertained over Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. P. Phillips and Mrs. J. Phillips and Mrs. Luntz and wife, of Lamont.

Married, at the M. E. parsonage by Rev. A. P. Moors, on Monday evening, Jan. 14th, Mr. R. Quick to Miss Bertha M. Sibley, of this place.

Rev. E. H. Shanks will deliver a lecture, at Rockford, Tuesday evening, and will also conduct a young people's rally, Thursday afternoon and evening.

The next party of the 94-95 club will be a hard time party. Everybody is requested to lay aside their fiery and attend in a truly "Hard times" costume. Hard and soft wood furniture, leather, etc. W. J. ECKER & SON.

The sacred literature class of the Baptist church will pursue their studies at home during the special meetings and will hold a symposium after the meetings close.

Who madly loved a lass, alas! Because there was a lack, alack! Of money in his purse.

—Kansas City Journal  
Shb wood \$1.15 a cord, delivered, of W. J. Ecker & Son.

C. W. West of Grand Rapids, was in town a couple of days last week.

J. B. Heyliff, of Jackson visited his brother, A. O. Heyliff, Tuesday.

Chas. Althen advertises his annual 25 off sale in another column, see it.

Ort Hill started out on his trip, Monday, after spending the holidays at home. County Commissioner, A. Hamlin Smith was in town a few hours, Monday.

Hon. A. W. Weikes and son, Harold, were home, from Lansing, over Sunday.

A party of the young people went on a sleigh ride to Lev. Lee's, Saturday night.

Miss Alice Cusick, who has been visiting friends here, returned to Ionia to-day.

The ice dealers are cutting ice and filling their ice houses, for the coming season.

Mrs. Jessie Phillips, of Grand Rapids, visited over Sunday with Mrs. C. A. Bostwick.

O. E. Panter has returned from Sunfield where he has spent the past six months.

Mrs. Medier and daughter Lettie, of Grand Rapids, are visiting relatives and friends here.

There will be union services every evening this week, except Saturday, at the M. E. church.

Twenty-five per cent off on everything in Althen's clothing store over his annual 25 off sale.

Mrs. Vera Galloway and Miss Hilda Lewin, of Hudson, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Hudson.

The semi-annual dividend of the Lowell State Bank, of 5 per cent, was declared Jan. 1st, 1905.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. West of Grand Rapids spent part of last week with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Morton.

Mrs. Ann Mooney died at her home in Grattan, Jan. 8th. The funeral was held Thursday, Jan. 10th.

\$1.00 a cord for split Beach and Maple at E. R. Quick & Co.

Mrs. Charlie Godfrey, and Miss Cora Godfrey of Afton, attended the wedding Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Hatch, of Grand Rapids, were called here last week by the death of F. D. Stocking.

Born, Jan. 6th to Mr. and Mrs. Eichelberger, near Adon Barclay, a daughter. Mother and daughter are doing well.

Will Gulliford is running a blacksmith shop at Clarksville. He called on Lowell friends the first of the week.

L. H. Wilkinson, of Rockford, was in town a couple of days last week, the guest of E. L. Craw and E. F. Denny.

Mrs. Henry Vanderveen, of Grand Rapids, spent a part of last week, with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Austin.

The ladies of band No. 3, will meet at Mrs. J. E. Lee's Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. R. B. Boylan, Sec.

Mrs. M. J. Kopf and Charlie Kopf have returned from a visit with relatives in Cincinnati, O., and Grand Rapids.

Died, at her home in South Boston, on Friday, Jan. 11th, Mrs. Martha Chase. The funeral was held on Sunday, Jan. 15th.

Jacob Schneck died at his home in Ada, on Friday, Jan. 11th, aged 75 years. Funeral was held Monday, Jan. 14th.

The Forrester will give their second annual meeting, at Music Hall, on Tuesday evening, Feb. 10th. Music by Worden's orchestra.

Mrs. Sidney Bradford of Grand Rapids, was the guest of Mrs. R. W. Graham Friday. Mrs. Bradford will leave soon for South Carolina where she will spend the next few months.

A. O. Heyliff, Agt.

L. A. C. Entertainment.

The first presentation of the L. A. C. entertainment was given at the Opera House last evening. The boys were very slow in getting started but they had a very good house to greet them when the curtain raised.

The first number was a drill by twelve members in costumes and was very good, receiving much merited applause, the boys giving several difficult and beautiful movements.

Barber and Blume gave a splendid burlesque and received a double ovation. M. D. Wilson, gave the "Silver Stream" polka on a haritone and was very good, although it was not nearly so well as he has done at reasonable.

McMahon and Krum in their living pictures, were very good, the poses being made during momentary darkness.

Krum and Anderson's trapeze work was thrilling and brought out rounds of applause.

Levant Sinclair exhibited his magnificent muscles with the dumb bells, handling the heavy weight with perfect ease and grace.

E. B. Lovette gave a breakneck dance that brought down the house, and later on, his "Silence in the Forest" with plenty of fun for a few minutes giving spits, handrings, fall albums and a very funny trapeze act.

Blume Brothers gave a professional act on the double bars. It was one of the best ever given here, the acts being difficult, perfectly safe with perfect ease and grace and brought down the house.

Levant Sinclair and Amos Andrews, did a good contortion act and some very good tumbling.

Frank McMahon did a Sanson act, holding a platform with four of the heavy weights of the club on it.

Eustace Anderson gave a very neat act on the slack wire which was very well received.

The entertainment closed with a funny farce entitled "McLynn's Justice" which dragged awfully and while it was full of funny points which raised a good laugh, it lacked the go, which makes a farce a success.

The Education of the Blind.

The Midland Republican of Dec. 7, says:

"Samples of cookbooks and menus made by girls totally blind, can be seen at the Republican office. These samples are from some that were taken Tuesday from the school for the blind, at Lansing, Michigan, for exhibition in connection with the convention there of the State Board of Corrections and Charities. A hammock and various samples of needle work made by the children at the school, were also on display. The children were all very bright and intelligent, and their work was very good."

Mrs. D. H. English, of South Boston, reduced her flock of chickens, which numbered 311 Aug. 24, 1894, again this week to 10, by disposing of 76; of that number bringing \$55.07. Thirty-five of them were laid chickens—the earlier ones having been sold at Grand Rapids at 15 cts. alive—and averaged 6½ lbs. each, live weight.

A large and interesting group of Prof. S. D. Williams last evening. As a temperance lecturer he certainly does excellent work. His legal studies have evidently been of service to him; for his address was Lansing, Michigan, and that of FRANCIS E. ELOKORNE, and his knowledge of political economy stood him in good service. It was an able lecture, educational and interesting.—Fort Huron Daily Times.

The hard snow storm of Thursday evening did not prevent a goodly number of friends and neighbors from assembling at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Dutcher, where the hours were passed with a lively game of pinochle. After refreshments were served the remainder of the evening was very pleasantly spent with vocal and instrumental music of which the "Patrol of the Shingle" rendered by Master Harold Knight, was the crowning feature. The hand prizes were captured by Mr. and Mrs. Frank C. Alger and the consolation by Mrs. Fred Rogers and Harold Knight.

Build your grate fire with Cannon Coal from E. R. Quick & Co.

Beginning on Jan. 31st, and closing Feb. 5th, a notable gathering of the "National Woman's Suffrage Association" convention will be held at Atlanta, Ga.

The Atlanta papers have given to the dignity and importance of the occasion and given the convention much advance notice, one paper devoting three columns to the subject and publishing portraits of some of the prominent woman suffragists.

Shortly after the election in Col., the "Atlanta Journal" published an editorial on woman voters and gave them all its honor of Waite's defeat. The same editorial spoke highly of women at the polls and discussed the subject in a spirit of liberality that speaks well for the progressiveness of the press in Atlanta, and proves that the cause has gained an important foothold in Ga. It is expected that reduced rates both for railroad and hotels, will be given to visitors as well as delegates and that stop-over tickets will be furnished with an increase of cost to those who wish to visit Washington and attend the "Woman's Council," which will convene there soon after the close of the N. W. S. A. convention. On the whole, it is an unparalleled opportunity to visit a beautiful and notable southern city and at the same time attend the meetings of a remarkable body of women at a minimum cost.

D. G. H. & M. Special Rates.

Laying of corner stones of Masonic Temple at Detroit, Jan. 22nd, 1905. The fare for the round trip from Lowell will be \$4.05. Tickets will be on sale from Jan. 21st, until Jan. 23rd. Return limit Friday, 25th, 1905.

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TO JOURNAL CORRESPONDENTS.

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.

NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES.

Cascade.

Mrs Dolly Becky, nee Bakler, is very sick with consumption.

Mrs Andrew Auble and Miss Carrie Brown attended the wedding of Ranson VanderScors to Miss Dora Thompson at the home of the brides parents in East Paris, Thursday eve., Jan. 10th.

Chas. Harris, of Alto, was in this village Friday.

About forty of the relatives and friends of Mr and Mrs W. J. Waterson met at their home Monday eve., Jan. 14 and reminded them that it was the 20th anniversary of their marriage. They were presented with a set of dishes, of 100 piece, a set of chairs and a rocker, besides smaller presents. After enjoying refreshments and a pleasant social time and listening to the thanks tendered to the company by Mr Waterson for the kind remembrances, the friends departed wishing the worthy couple many returns of the day.

Misses May and Winnie Wisner spent part of last week in Middleville.

Mr and Mrs Jos. Harlin, of Gd. Rapids, for many years of Cascade, are rejoicing in the receipt of a letter from their daughter, from whom they had not heard in twenty-three years.

Mrs Mart Cook has returned from a visit with relatives in Canada.

Wirt Merrill is visiting relatives in Charlotte.

Joe. Ansley and son, Harley are visiting in N. Y.

A good many from here attended the funeral of Jacob Schenck, which was held in the Baptist church, at Ada, Monday, Rev. Chas. Oldfield officiating.

Mr and Mrs Edmund Manley, of Walker, visited Mr and Mrs H. G. Holt. Mr Manley attended the meeting of the officers of the Kent Co. Mutual Ins. Co., at Ada, last week.

Mr and Mrs Collins, of Detroit, partook of the feast at the Grange Hall last Saturday.

The L. A. S. of the Baptist church, of Ada, meet this week with Mrs Caroline Stewart at this place.

H. C. Dennison attended the Co. Grange at Rockford last week.

Mrs Thos. Wing and son, Gilbert, killed four pigs, 8½ mos. old, which weighed 1907 lbs.

Mrs Westbrook visited Mrs F. M. Thompson, Wednesday, and attended church in the village in the evening.

Elder J. Jay Findlay, of Cascade, gave the memorial address at the annual roll call meeting of the Christian church at North Plains, Ionia Co., Jan. 9th.

At the regular meeting of the Cascade Grange, Saturday, the following officers were installed by A. R. Denise, of So. Lowell:

- M.—Marshall Foster.
- O.—John Huibert.
- L.—H. G. Holt.
- S.—Harley Denison.
- A. S.—Guy Walden.
- Chap.—Harry Denison.
- T.—Jas. Laraway.
- G. K.—Floyd Foster.
- F.—Mrs Beard.
- P.—Mrs Bross.
- C.—Mrs Rolf.
- L. S.—Mrs Foster.

Dr. Danforth has been quite comfortable for the past few days.

Saulsbury & Cramer have bought the thoroughbred Jersey Bull from Chas. McCarty, and will keep him at their Riverside Farm. Terms cash, \$1.00.

Grattan Gatherings.

How sweet the music of the sleigh-bells and how glorious the sunshine of Monday.

With regret we learn the severe sickness of Silas Ward, from kidney trouble. No better Jan. 14.

The Goodfellowship Club of Grattan hold their annual meeting at Hotel Belding Jan. 26, eating dinner with the proprietor.

Grandma Ward has an attack of la-grippe. Grove Sears little son has been very sick with pneumonia.

One of the gifts of the New Year to Mrs John Byrne was a brood of 16 new chickens hatched by another of those "motherly" hens, which she brought in triumph to the kitchen door, clucking loudly for food and shelter. At last accounts 14 of the wee ones were alive.

Mrs Ann Mooney—whose sickness was mentioned last week—passed away Jan. 8, aged 65 years. The most of her life has been spent in this vicinity. A kind neighbor, a loving, dutiful mother of three sons and two daughters, all married with the exception of two sons. Burial services were held at the Grattan Catholic church Jan. 10, the church of her early choice. She has been a widow many years.

Our dear niece, Miss Rosa Weeska, does not gain as we all hoped.

Mr and Mrs Hollis Brooks are making a lengthy stay with Langston relatives.

Over sixty relatives and old friends took Harvey D. Pond completely by surprise Jan. 9, the interesting cause being the eightieth anniversary of his birth. Two present, Messrs E. S. Jenks and Nehemiah Smith, were older than our host by a few months and several were over 70. Mr P. has lived on his farm near the line of Oakfield and Grattan for fifty years, never having been away any length of time, except to make a few months visit to his birth-place in New York state. The ladies brought on a sumptuous feast of roast turkey, chicken pie and all other good things known to culinary art. So passed the day, finished with a prayer for richest blessings and extended years to our beloved pioneer and his tender wife.

Our esteemed citizen, Oliver I. Watkins, has received the appointment of Chief Janitor at the State Capitol, at a much higher salary than when he began pioneer farming in the early history of Grattan.

Grattan Grange installed her new officers Jan. 10, while the "Beautiful" fell outside, and Saturday night about 25 of the faithful ones braved the continued storm to attend the meeting of Grattan Chapter O. E. S.

Last Friday John L. Randall returned from a business trip to Detroit.

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Mrs Chase's funeral services were held at the M. E. church on Sunday at 2 o'clock p. m. Rev. A. P. Moors officiating.

Mr McClellan from near McBride's has been visiting his relatives, Mr and Mrs J. B. Pike and family and his old friend Mr Christie.

Mrs S. A. Aldrich, of Muskegon, is visiting her sister, Mrs B. A. Aldrich and brothers, John and N. F. Gould and other relatives, and expects to remain about two weeks.

Mr Elkerton has finished sawing ties on E. E. Church's farm.

A donation will be held for the benefit of Rev. Arnold at the Grange Hall this Wednesday evening.

The dry well and cistern stories could be enlarged upon at this time if we felt so disposed.

Mrs Andrew Lewis' health did not permit her to attend her mother's funeral.

H. Stocum, of Odessa, visited his comrade, Newell Hotchkiss and family recently.

Eddie Acker, of St. Louis, shot himself while hunting the day before Christmas and died the same day.

Lumber, Lath, Shingles and wooden eavestroughs at W. J. Ecker & Son's.

Alton.

R. B. Davis killed and dressed a hog which weighed 488 lbs.

The whooping cough is again heard.

Bert Cambell came home from Odessa last Friday to remain over Sunday.

Mrs Perry Purdy is about the same.

Wm. Condon has sold on contract, his farm, to Albert Thomit.

Mrs Cambell is on the sick list.

Misses Francis and Bernice Houlihan are both sick.

The little son of Chris Blosser, six years old, while crossing the mill pond on the ice, fell through a hole, he hung on the edge of the ice until help arrived.

Sixteen couple enjoyed the dance and also the first sleighride of the season.

The tie mill, after cutting 1,880 ties, moved Friday, to Stephen Renne's.

Mrs Matie Wiley, and children, of West Lowell spent a few days with Thos. Condon and family.

W. H. Keech and wife visited with his brother, Peter, at Greenville, one day last week.

Mrs Fred Seefeld, of Traverse City visited Mrs Eugene Cambell, one day last week.

If you need a bedroom suite buy one this week while Kopf Bros. are having a special sale. Prices range from \$9.50 to \$35.00.

West Lowell Links.

The meetings at Oak Grove are still in progress.

Mr and Mrs Stowe visited at J. B. Easterday's, Friday.

Elder Munge preached at the River school house Monday evening.

Prof. Sterling of Hastings has had the misfortune to lose one of his legs.

D. L. Sterling went to Hastings, Saturday, to see Prof. Sterling.

Mr and Mrs Stowe, John Court, Arthur Green, Irene Onan and Charlie McIntyr visited with E. Peters, Sunday.

Charlie Easterday and wife have returned home.

Miss Annie Onan has returned home and is attending school.

Little May, daughter of Charlie Green, is sick.

We are wondering what has become of Town Lane Tidings. Are you sick? We miss them.

Morse Lake.

Born, to Mr and Mrs Manuel Yeiser, on Thursday, January 10th, a girl.

A. C. Blakelock is putting up his ice.

Mrs L. S. Clark is on the sick list.

A number in this vicinity are afflicted with bad colds.

The Union Aid society will meet with Mrs C. T. Bateman of West Bowne, on Wednesday, January 30th, at 10 o'clock.

Early notice is given so that each farmer can plan his work, so as to take his lady and have a good time. Picnic dinner will be served, proceeds to apply toward the parsonage.

Johnnie Chatterton cut his foot quite badly one day last week.

Married at the home of the brides parents, Mr and Mrs John Scott, of Alto, on Wednesday Jan. 9th. Miss Jennie Scott to John Chatterton, both of Alto.

Fallsburg Facts.

Ira Pottruff has been sick for the past week with la grippe.

Mrs Henry Scott was called to Grattan last week, on account of the illness of a grand child.

Will Trednick has sold out his milk route to Mr Rider, of Lowell.

Edith Colvin visited her cousin, Nina Alger, over Sunday.

Mrs Willie Rexford visited her parents at Lowell, last week.

Visitors at Leroy Sayles one evening last week were George Raymond and wife, Monte Sayles and wife and Aunt Lydia Taylor and son.

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Vergennes Visitor.

Items are scarce in this vicinity.

Listen for wedding bells which will soon ring.

Mrs G. W. Crosby is suffering with the rheumatism.

Of course every one around here is aware that it is good sleighing, but how are the friends away from here, who read the Journal, to know, it unless we tell them of it?

The Vergennes Reading Circle will meet with Clara Findlay, Jan. 19th, programme as follows:

Music.  
Roll call, Goldsmith.  
History reading by Circle.  
Instrumental solo, Earl Nash.  
Recitation, Orlando Odell.  
Select reading, Ina Findlay.

IDA MAY.

Chapel.  
The sleighing is very good and the young people are enjoying it.

Aunt Mary McNaughton has been quite ill.

When the party were returning from the party at Mr Pearce's, Miss Edith Grant got into Grand River, her brother rescued her.

Rev. G. F. Smith is holding meetings at the Moffat school house.

Fire Easily Obtained.

The average civilized man would be hard put to it if he were compelled to start a fire without matches, tinder box or burning glass. But Lieutenant von Hohnel describes an African chief as not only accomplishing this feat, but doing it with quickness and ease. The traveler had asked him to show his skill.

It was really wonderful, in view of the moisture laden atmosphere, with what rapidity he did as I had requested.

The materials employed were such as we saw wherever we went—two simple bits of wood, one flat about six inches long and not quite an inch wide, with a row of grooves on one side, the other about 12 inches long and of the thickness and shape of a lead pencil.

The longer piece, fixed in one of the grooves of the shorter piece, was held tightly between the palms of the hand and whirled rapidly round and round.

In a few seconds the wood dust which was produced by the friction, and which fell through the grooves, began to smoke. This dust was carefully nursed into a blaze, which was fed with fine grass and bits of cotton stuff.

The whole thing is done so quickly that our men, even the lazy Wasungu, always employed this method on short halts for lighting their pipes.—Youth's Companion.

No Word Like the Doctors.

Mr. Sydney Holland enlivened the guests at the annual festival of Poplar hospital by relating an incident which occurred within the walls of that institution. A man was brought in who was thought to be dead. His wife was with him. One of the doctors said, "He is dead," but the man raised his head and said, "No, I am not dead yet," whereupon his wife admonished him, saying, "Be quiet; the doctor ought to know best."—London Echo.

The Un-Americans.

The American people are the largest consumers of goods in the world; consequently ours is the best market, and naturally other countries are anxious to secure as much of our trade as possible. We do not blame them for advocating a policy of free trade for the United States. It is to their best interests to do so. But we do blame the men, born in this country and claiming to be American citizens and patriots, who can claim that a policy which they know will benefit foreign countries must of necessity be beneficial to our own country. Such men may be American citizens, but they are decidedly not American patriots.

## SECRET OF THE ARK.

IT WAS REALLY CONSTRUCTED JUST LIKE A LEYDEN JAR.

The Fire That Came Out of It Was Electrical—Aaron's Sons Were Electrocuted. Edison and Tesla, Had They Lived at That Time, Could Not Have Surpassed Aaron.

There is nothing new on the face of the earth, and there is no doubt that electricity was well known to the Israelites and probably to the Phenicians. The first record of electrical phenomena is as old as the Ten Commandments. Moses, when he received the stone tables on which the Ten Commandments were written the second time, built a box out of fir—not the common cedar or any other native woods, but firwood, which had to be imported by Phoenician merchants from the southern part of Europe. Was this choice accidental on account of the great value of the resinous wood, or was it the choice of the best known nonconductor among the great number of various timbers?

Moses had the fir box lined inside and outside with beaten gold, which converted the ark of the covenant into a very expensive but very perfect leyden jar or storage battery for electricity. As gold is by 50 per cent a better conductor of electricity than copper, was the choice of gold again on account of its value, or was it an inspiration or revelation? So much is certain—that if Edison or Tesla had lived in those days they could not have improved on the choice of material, and the result was a powerful leyden jar.

How was this leyden jar charged, was the next problem. A fire of material rich in carbon was kept burning on top of the ark of the covenant, and during daytime a tall column of smoke guided the 12 tribes of Israel through their wanderings, and at night a tall flame was equally well seen by them. Now carbon is a good conductor of electricity, and the particles of carbon floating in the smoke would conduct sufficient electricity to highly charge the Leyden jar. At least the current of electricity would be amply strong, so that if a hand were held toward the ark of the covenant sparks would result. That this was done by Moses at different times is a matter of record, and that he could always depend that his faithful Levites would obey his instructions to the letter and have the jar always charged.

After Moses' death his brother Aaron took the matter in hand and greatly improved the electrical power of the strange battery. He had the ark of the covenant placed in the temple and had it surrounded by poles 50 ft high, or 150 feet. These poles were covered with beaten gold, and gold chains were hung from poles to the ark of the covenant, which made a very expensive but very complete and powerful electrical connection. In a country where electrical storms are as frequent and as powerful as in Palestine at an elevation of 600 feet and a reach of 150 feet of the best conductor an abundant supply of Franklin's electricity would necessarily always be on hand.

It is very likely that Aaron knew nothing of amperes, ohms or volts; otherwise his two sons never would have monkeyed with this powerful apparatus, and they would not have been killed by fire breaking out of the ark of the covenant and killing them without any wounds or burns appearing on their bodies.

Any coroner's jury of today, if it were to sit on an inquest over the body of Aaron's sons, would at once bring a verdict of death by a discharge of electricity.

Aaron knew this power, and to make it effective all he had to do to deal death from his apparatus was to remove the costly camel's hair carpets, which are almost perfect nonconductors of electricity, and make the culprit stand on terra firma. Death would result instantly by fire breaking out and leave no wounds or burns to account for his death. That several members of revolting tribes of Israelites were thus electrocuted is also a matter of record in the Bible.

Solomon in building his temple advanced one step further. He found that copper would do as well as gold. He had the temple covered with copper, and copper water pipes led into the cisterns inside the temple.

On the temple, or rather on its roof, a number of gilt spears were placed in vertical positions, ostensibly to scare off the birds and to keep them from chilling the temple, but these spears were several cords high, or from 16 to 24 feet. Such a height would hardly be necessary for scarecrows, but it was ample to lead

erful current of electricity.

Franklin, the electric chair in the state of New York and the discovery of the leyden jar itself in Leyden, Germany, are all back numbers. History only repeats itself, whether recorded or not.—C. B. Warrand in Savannah News.

Why the Dial Has Sixty Divisions.

We have 60 divisions on the dials of our clocks and watches because Hipparchus, who lived in the second century before Christ, accepted the Babylonian system of reckoning time, that system being sexagesimal. The Babylonians were acquainted with the decimal, but for common purposes they counted by "sossi" and "sari," the "sosso" representing 60 and the "saros" 60 times 60—3,600. From Hipparchus that mode of reckoning found its way into the works of Ptolemy about the year 150 A. D., and on that authority it has been perpetuated to the present day.—St. Louis Republic.

The "Venus de Medici" was 5 feet 8 inches in height, and this is held by many artists and sculptors to be the most perfect stature for a woman.

A HARD TASKMISTRESS.

The Late Rosina Vokes Took Her Art Rather Too Seriously.

The late Mrs. Clay, better known as Rosina Vokes, was a hard taskmistress. She took her art both seriously and rigidly and demanded the same from others. A young American girl during a one time connection with the Vokes company suffered extremely from a felon on her finger. Every movement of the arm gave her pain, and she was at length obliged to evade her required participation in "A Game of Cards," where the players clap hands, the one against the other. "You shirked your part last night, Miss Blank," Mrs. Clay took occasion to observe the following morning.

"I did," acknowledged Miss Blank, "for my finger is in such a condition, as you see, that present use of it is impossible."

"You will not shirk your part tonight, however," remarked Mrs. Clay, with an ominous gleam in her eye. The young American knew only too well that further remonstrance would probably result in her dismissal, so nothing more was said. That night, according to orders, she, with infinite pain, clapped hands briskly. At the first touch the blood gushed from her suffering finger; but, although her partner was Mrs. Clay, neither reference nor apology was made by that exacting star either then or afterward. "Still it was splendid training," said the young actress in later years. But to impartial, unprofessional outsiders such "training" smacks of tyranny.—New York Advertiser.

The Fashionable Hat For Men.

It is confidently expected by representative hatmakers, according to the New York Herald, that the silk tile will be a more general favorite this fall and winter than has been the case in many years. No other arrangement of dress will give as pretty and effective a display of figure as a Prince Albert coat and a silk hat.

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