

BUSINESS OUTLOOK.

Present Midsummer Dullness in Trade Was Due in July.

Dun and Bradstreet Look Over the Ground Carefully and Present Reports on the Situation in Various Lines.

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—R. G. Dun & Co. in their weekly review of trade say: "It is a belated season; a frozen May set everything back. The heavy business which ought to have been done in May and June was pushed into July, so that the midsummer decline due in July comes in August. With this in mind, one is not surprised to find the shrinkage from July to August rather more conspicuous than usual. Financial events are used in speculative markets to create apprehension. Exports of gold have continued this week, and while the syndicate has deposited enough in the treasury to keep the reserve intact, the impression grows that another sale of bonds may be made. Exports are falling below last year's. In two weeks of August, \$3,300,000, or 30 per cent, while imports show a small increase of \$4 per cent. Government receipts for half of August are \$1,181,236 less than expenses. The disappointing crop reports of last Saturday, though evidently distrusted, lessen confidence in regard to the future of trade, even while some speculators gain by them. Back of all doubts is the fact that the industries are doing better than anybody could have expected.

"Crop reports modified expectations as to cotton and wheat, and cotton speculators have bought, lifting the price five-sixteenths, while wheat, with more evidence of loss in yield, has declined 1/8. According to government reports the crop of each would be about two-thirds of the maximum.

"Fluctuations for the week have been 1/16 in the United States, against 1/32 last year, and 1/16 in Canada, against 1/32 last year."

Bradstreet's View. NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—In his weekly report, Bradstreet says: "Midsummer quiet is more conspicuous than a week ago, though less so in industrial than in commercial lines. As a rule, leading manufacturing industries are exceptionally busy for the season, and it is worth noting that the increase in output of demand and prices for iron and steel still continues.

"Gross and net railroad earnings returns for the first half of the present year show very satisfactory aggregate gains. Last year, a period of great coal and railroad strikes and of financial and industrial depression and derangement.

"Many in the trade were surprised by the very unfavorable cotton crop report by the government, and the price of cotton has advanced. Steel billets have also been marked up, as well as some varieties of print cloth. Quotations for flour, oats, pork, sugar, copper and wool have remained firm but unchanged while declines are recorded by Indian corn, notwithstanding the statistical strength of the cereal in every direction except exports.

Situation at Many Points. "Jobbers in the more important staple lines at Chicago, St. Louis, Kansas City, Omaha, Milwaukee, Minneapolis and St. Paul report an improved demand. The outlook at all those points is for an active fall business, and the larger among them report country merchants are personally seeking to get their goods as freely as expected. Kansas City dealers do not regard an early advance in prices of live stock probable. At Omaha country merchants are said to be buying more freely than for years. At San Francisco leading commercial lines are quiet. Hop picking is about to begin on the coast with the outlook for only a moderate crop. The wheat crop prospect in California is rather less favorable. Forest fires are raging in the vicinity of Seattle. The canneries expect a larger catch than last year.

WHOLESALE MURDER.

Horrible Deeds Charged Against Keepers of Chicago Inn.

CHICAGO, Aug. 17.—The murder of lunatic George Pueck at the county insane asylum, for which crime the attendants, George Gough and John P. Anderson, were on Friday held to the grand jury without the option of bail, has brought to the light of investigation three cases which are said by the relatives of the victims to be similar to the Pueck horror.

"Old Glory" in Song.

NEWARK, N. J., Aug. 19.—Ex-Congressman Thomas Dunn English, the author of "Ben Bolt," has written a national hymn and it was sung to a small party in the Peddie Memorial church Saturday evening. It is called "Old Glory," and the words are simple, forceful and dignified. Philip A. Gifford, of this city, wrote the music, which is tuneful and happily wedded to the words. All who heard the lines were enthusiastic in its praise.

Bank of Tacoma Assigns.

TACOMA, Wash., Aug. 20.—The Bank of Tacoma, formerly the Tacoma Trust & Savings company, has made an assignment. The statement shows cash on hand, \$444. The total liabilities are \$379,000, of which \$329,000 is city money.

Two Lives Lost.

NEWBURYPORT, Mass., Aug. 19.—The sloop Jumbo, of Rockport, while in port here Sunday filled with water and sank during a storm and Capt. Stephen Orr and George Welch were drowned. Both lived at Rockport.

Unbroken Chain of Fire.

TACOMA, Wash., Aug. 19.—A party of lumber dealers who arrived in this city reported an unbroken chain of forest fires from the Rocky mountains to the Pacific ocean.

Foul Play Suspected.

ABINGDON, Tenn., Aug. 17.—A log house here was burned, Mrs. Ollie Harrill and two grown daughters perishing in the flames. Foul play was suspected.

Death of an Editor.

CLEVELAND, O., Aug. 20.—John Miller Wilcox, editor of the Cleveland Press, died suddenly at Rose Island in the St. Lawrence. He was 26 years old.

A Mother's Deed.

MADISON, Mo., Aug. 20.—Mrs. J. Long, living near here, hanged her 4-year-old child and herself. Separation from her husband was the cause.

Lived Over a Century.

CANTON, Pa., Aug. 20.—James Cooney, aged 103 years, died here yesterday.

SEVEN PERSONS DROWNED.

The Result of Upsetting a Yacht on the Atlantic Ocean.

OCEAN CITY, Md., Aug. 19.—Seven lives paid the penalty Saturday of the overcrowding of a small sail boat and the unreasoning fright of the women aboard, who, by springing to one side when the little craft shipped some water, overturned it and threw its occupants into the water. The boat contained ten persons, and of these ten only three were rescued when the boat capsized. The dead are: William Storrs, aged 45 years, a sign painter; his wife, Mrs. Laura Storrs, aged 38, their two daughters, Ida May and Eva, 14 and 18 years respectively; Lulu and Lena Hall, sisters, aged 16 and 18 years respectively, of Bishopville, Del., and Miss Myrtle Stevens, aged 14 years, of Selbyville, Del.

The Storrs family were residents of Philadelphia and lived at 4849 Lancaster avenue. The bodies of Storrs, his wife and two daughters and Miss Stevens have been recovered, but those of the Hall girls are still in the water.

VALKYRIE ARRIVES.

Defender's Rival for the American Cup Reaches New York.

NEW YORK, Aug. 19.—Valkyrie III has arrived. The boat which Lord Dunraven has built to wrest the America's cup and the yachting supremacy from Yanketoom, is at anchor in New York harbor. After encountering heavy seas and considerable headwinds since her departure from Gourock bay, Scotland, on July 27, the cup challenger arrived at Sandy Hook lightship at 7:30 o'clock Sunday evening, on her twenty-second day out. Her passage from Malin Head, where she dropped her tug on the other side, to Sandy Hook, 2,770 nautical miles, took her 21 days, 9 hours and 30 minutes, an average of 129 miles a day. After thorough inspection at quarantine the Valkyrie was towed to an anchorage off Liberty island.

MARSH FIRES BURNING.

Ground Affected Is Ruined for Years to Come—Rains Needed.

MILWAUKEE, Aug. 20.—Heavy marsh fires, burning under the sod and breaking out in unexpected distant places, are burning on what is known as the "big marsh" in Palmyra, Hebron and Cold Springs towns, covering an extent of thousands of acres. Much valuable hay of this year's crop has already been burned and more must go. The extent of burned ground is ruined for years to come, as the fires penetrate deep, destroying its fertility. Men and boy volunteers are fighting the fire that is only long, heavy rains will extinguish.

INVESTIGATION OPOSED.

China Objects to Inquiry Into the Late Massacres.

SHANGHAI, Aug. 20.—A dispatch to the Mercury from Foo Chow says it is reported on good authority there that the Chinese government has refused to allow the American and British consuls, Mr. J. C. Hixson and Mr. R. T. Mansfield, who accompanied the commission appointed to investigate the recent massacres of missionaries and their families at Ku Cheng, to make any investigation into the circumstances of the massacre.

SEVENTEEN DROWNED.

Motor Boat on the Elbe River Run Down and Sunk.

LONDON, Aug. 20.—A dispatch from Hamburg says that the steamer Concordia ran down the motor boat Beckman Sunday evening near Falkenthal, on the Elbe river, and that seventeen persons were drowned. Of eight members of a family named Lascki who were on board the motor boat only Fred Lascki was saved.

EIGHT KILLED, TEN HURT.

Result of the Premature Explosion of a Blast Near Mehaffy, Pa.

DUBOIS, Pa., Aug. 17.—A dispatch from Clearfield says that eight men were killed and ten men seriously hurt Friday night by the premature explosion of a blast near Mehaffy, on the Pittsburgh & Eastern railway. The telegraph offices in the vicinity are closed and no further details can be had.

Mr. and Mrs. Quinlan Released.

CHICAGO, Aug. 19.—Patrick Quinlan and his wife were released by the police Saturday and have left Chicago for their farm in Michigan. Their release, ordered by Chief Badenoch, ends another chapter of the Holmes case. It is evident all the evidence which the police asserted they had which would send the Quinlans to the penitentiary in connection with the Holmes case will not be used against them.

Out of a Job.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17.—It was decided by Acting Attorney General Conrad that the appointment of Matt Ransom as minister to Mexico was illegal, on the ground that the salary of the office had been increased by congress while Mr. Ransom was senator.

Burned to Death.

ELGIN, Ill., Aug. 19.—A disastrous fire occurred at the little town of Algonquin, near this city, at an early hour Sunday morning, during which two people were burned to death. Their names are: A. Kuzar, aged 40; Nellie Kuzar, aged 4, his daughter.

Killed Two Men.

CARBONDALE, Ill., Aug. 19.—Near Marion, Saturday evening, Fred Heibolt shot and instantly killed William Malke and William Read with a double barreled shotgun. It was the result of a quarrel over a game of cards.

Death of Ex-Senator Maxey.

EUREKA SPRINGS, Ark., Aug. 17.—Sam Bell Maxey, of Paris, Tex., who was United States senator from that state from 1874 to 1886, died here, aged 70 years.

DENVER'S DISASTER.

Belief That Twenty-Five were Killed in the Gunny Hotel.

Twelve Dead Bodies Are Taken from the Ruins, and a Big Force Is Searching for Many Missing Persons—Details of the Horror.

DENVER, Col., Aug. 20.—A portion of the Gunny hotel, the scene of Sunday night's frightful disaster, is still standing, gaunt and sinister, constantly threatening to crash down upon those delving in the ruins at any moment. The search for victims has been carried on with the utmost energy. Flames broke out afresh in the wreckage Monday night and the fire engines were again pouring forth water, still further impeding the work of rescue. The list of dead and missing now numbers twenty-five, making the disaster the worst that ever occurred in this city. Up to 7:30 Monday night only twelve bodies had been recovered. The dead are:

Killed and Missing.

R. C. Greiner, assistant superintendent of construction at the state capitol, and his wife, who acted as clerk of the destroyed hotel; George Burt, Denver, a conductor on the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific railroad; Fred Hubbard, of Lisbon, Ia., and E. J. McCloskey, of Longmont, Col., guests; Will Richards, of Denver, elevator boy; unknown woman and child about 3 years old.

The only means of identifying the body of the woman is by a gold band ring with the initials "H. R." carved thereon.

The missing and supposed to be still in the ruins are:

Peter Gunny, owner of the hotel and superintendent of construction at the state capitol; Gen. Charles Adams, of Denver; James Murphy, a prominent democratic politician of Omaha; E. W. Edwards, butcher, of Denver; W. J. Blake, N. J. Corson, French county treasurer of Gilpin county, Col.; Mrs. G. R. Wolfe; Grace Wolfe, 8-year-old, of Lincoln, Neb.; H. L. Lorch, Black Hawk; unknown woman and three unknown chambermaids.

Cause of the Explosion.

The injured number six. This, so far, is a definite knowledge of the people to be accounted for, but the hotel register shows people who have safely materialized, and some missing are not on the register. The latest obtainable information regarding the most terrible catastrophe that is recorded in Denver's history, clearly shows that a 17-year-old boy, Elmer Pierce, who was temporarily placed in charge of the boiler, was directly responsible for the accident. With the boiler almost at a red heat he injected cold water into the tubular affair, causing an immediate explosion. Strange to say, and by a miracle, he escaped unscathed, and was being hunted by an angry crowd of people, who would have dealt with him had he not been apprehended. He seems safe, however, as no clew has been unearthed as to his whereabouts.

Loss \$75,000.

The terrible destruction wrought by the explosion is in evidence everywhere within three blocks of the scene. Stores in the neighborhood have their fronts demolished or windows damaged. Along Larimer street, in the rear of the building, there is not a whole plate-glass for a block and Lawrence street in the front shows similar signs of demolition. To estimate the damage and loss is very difficult, especially as no insurance papers are available, they having all been lost in the fire; but the loss will hardly exceed \$75,000.

THREE HUNDRED KILLED.

Russian Barracks at Tonia Blown Up with Terrible Results.

LONDON, Aug. 20.—The Daily News has a dispatch from Vienna which says that Trieste papers report that an explosion destroyed the artillery barracks at Tonia, Russia, and that 300 men were killed, including many officers. The barracks were found to be completely undermined. Many arrests have been made.

Makes His Child an Orphan.

ABINGDON, Ill., Aug. 20.—A double tragedy occurred at Prairie City Monday. William Blanchard, a highly respected farmer, shot his wife, instantly killing her, then shot himself, dying in a few hours. They had been separated since March, and, upon meeting Monday at the home of Mrs. Blanchard's mother, the shooting took place after her refusal to go home with him. A 4-year-old child is left parentless.

No Bull Fight in Colorado.

DENVER, Col., Aug. 17.—The Colorado Humane society, through Secretary Thomson, has applied to Gov. McIntyre to issue a proclamation forbidding the proposed Mexican bull-fight at Gillet, in the Cripple Creek district, Saturday, September 24. It is believed the governor will exercise all the authority of his office, even to the extent of calling out the troops if need be to prevent the exhibition.

Many Under Arrest.

SPRING VALLEY, Ill., Aug. 17.—Twenty-three men, charged with participating in the recent assault upon the colored people here, and driving them from their homes, have been arrested and held for trial.

Mining Camp Burned.

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, Aug. 20.—Fire Monday evening destroyed over one-half of Hinaman, a mining camp 80 miles south of here. The loss is estimated at \$300,000, partly covered by insurance.

After Thirty Years.

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—Mrs. William Howarth, of Newark, N. J., and her brother, Joseph Shaw, of this city, met after an enforced separation of thirty years.

DEATH OF WILLIAM STRONG.

The Famous Jurist's Life Ends at Lake Minnewaska, N. Y.

LAKE MINNEWASKA, N. Y., Aug. 20.—Ex-Associate Justice Strong, of the United States supreme court, died here at 2:10 o'clock Monday afternoon.

The remains of ex-Justice Strong will leave New Paltz on a special car at 11 o'clock this morning, arriving at Reading, Pa., at 7:30 o'clock in the evening.

William Strong was born in Somers, Conn., May 6, 1828. He was the eldest of eleven children. Rev. William L. Strong, after graduating at Yale college he engaged in the study of law and was admitted to the bar at Reading, Pa., in 1852. He served in congress as a democrat from 1857 until 1861, and declined a third nomination. During the civil war he gave all of his support and influence in aid of the government. He served as a justice of the Pennsylvania supreme court from 1867 until 1868, gaining a high reputation as a jurist. In February, 1870, he was appointed a justice of the supreme court of the United States, and served until December, 1880, when he resigned. Of his opinions uttered while on the supreme bench, those in the legal tender cases, the state freight tax cases and the civil rights cases exhibit in an eminent degree his great power of analysis and vigorous logic. Justice Strong was a member of the electoral commission in 1877.

BASEBALL.

Standing of the Various League Clubs at Close of Games Aug. 19.

The following tables show the number of games won and lost and the percentage of the clubs of the leading baseball organizations. National league:

Table with columns: CLUBS, Won, Lost, Per cent. Includes teams like Cincinnati, Baltimore, Pittsburgh, Chicago, Cleveland, St. Louis, Boston, Brooklyn, New York, Washington, St. Paul, Louisville.

Western league:

Table with columns: CLUBS, Won, Lost, Per cent. Includes teams like Indianapolis, St. Paul, Kansas City, Milwaukee, Detroit, Grand Rapids.

Western association:

Table with columns: CLUBS, Won, Lost, Per cent. Includes teams like Lincoln, Peoria, Des Moines, Denver, Chicago, Rockford, St. Joseph, Springfield.

A SOUTHERN TRAGEDY.

A Florida Mob Lynches a Murderer and Kills His Jailor.

JUNO, Fla., Aug. 19.—Early Sunday morning a mob broke into the jail here and took out Samuel Lewis, a negro charged with the murder of John Highsmith and George Davis August 9, and hanged him to a telegraph pole, afterwards riddling his body with bullets. While trying to gain entrance to the jail some one shot and killed Gustave Kaiser, the jailer.

SENT TO JAIL.

Dr. and Mrs. Hearne Indicted for the Murder of A. J. Stillwell.

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 19.—A special to the Chronicle from Hannibal, Mo., says that the grand jury has returned an indictment against Dr. Hearne and his wife, charging them with the murder of A. J. Stillwell, in Hannibal, about seven years ago. Warrants were immediately issued and Dr. and Mrs. Hearne have been placed under arrest.

Woman Killed by Lightning.

LYONS, Ia., Aug. 19.—Mrs. Henry Dierman, living just west of Lyons, was sitting in a chair as a slight shower was passing. At a flash of lightning she half rose from her chair, sat down, and when others of the family tried to continue the conversation they found her dead.

Death of a Noted Hawaiian.

HONOLULU, Aug. 10, via San Francisco, Aug. 19.—J. Mott Smith died this morning. He held many positions of trust under the monarchy. He was Hawaiian minister at Washington when the queen was dethroned.

THE MARKETS.

Market price table for various commodities including Live Stock, Flour, Wheat, Corn, Oats, Pork, Butter, Cattle, Sheep, Hogs, Eggs, Potatoes, etc. Lists prices for New York, Chicago, and St. Louis.

Didn't Know It Was Loaded.

NILES, Aug. 18.—An accident which will probably result fatally occurred here Saturday afternoon. Three young boys—Herbert Wirtz, aged 16; John Walker, aged 13, and Bert Welling, 15 years old—while in swimming were approached by Garfield Finley, a colored boy, who carried a shotgun which he claimed was not loaded. In a playful manner he pointed it at the boys and pulled the trigger. The gun went off and the three boys were struck by the flying shot. Wirtz was only slightly injured, but Welling and Walker were badly hurt by the shot. The doctors say the wounds may cause death.

Heavy Loss by Fire.

READING, Mich., Aug. 20.—The business portion of Camden, a small village 6 miles from here, was almost totally destroyed by fire early Sunday morning. Among the buildings burned were those in which the odd-fellows, masons, Macombes, G. A. R. and U. V. U. had their lodge rooms. The total loss is about \$50,000. Incendiarism is suspected.

Acquitted.

FLINT, Aug. 18.—After a seven-day trial the jury in the case of Frank Annis, accused of causing his wife's death by setting fire to her home while she was asleep, returned a verdict of not guilty. The jury was out four and a half hours, and took nine ballots before agreeing on a verdict.

Park for Spiritualists.

LUDINGTON, Aug. 18.—The spiritualists of Michigan have closed a lease for five years of a beautiful and picturesque park, between Pere Marquette lake and Lake Michigan, just opposite the city, where they intend to hold a thirty-days' assembly each year, from the 1st to the 30th of July.

Big Lumber Deal Closed.

DULUTH, Minn., Aug. 19.—The largest pine land deal ever made in northern Minnesota has just been closed at Duluth. Rupp & Kerr, of Saginaw Mich., have sold 75,000,000 feet of pine near Ely, Minn., to the Knox Lumber company, the consideration being \$180,000.

Invalid Commits Suicide.

BENTON HARBOR, Aug. 19.—Miss Jennie Tate, of Berrien Springs, committed suicide by jumping into the St. Joseph river Sunday morning. Miss Tate had been in ill health and despondency is supposed to have caused her act.

Defaulter Safe in Mexico.

SEDALIA, Mo., Aug. 19.—A letter was received here Saturday from J. C. Thompson, the fugitive cashier of the defunct First national bank, in which he says that he has taken out naturalization papers and has become a citizen of the republic of Mexico.

California Sweet Wine Production.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Aug. 19.—Official reports of the production of sweet wines in the internal revenue districts of this state for the season of five months which closed with December shows the output to be 3,978,650 gallons.

Colored Voters Organize.

WICHITA, Kan., Aug. 19.—Three thousand colored voters formed a state organization in this city with branches in all the large cities of Kansas, as the Independent Colored league, and will hold a state convention September 26.

YOU ought to know that when suffering from any kidney trouble that a safe, sure remedy is the Clinic Kidney Cure. Guaranteed or money refunded. Sold by W. S. Winegar.

Advertisement for MAS. J. CURCH & SON BANKERS, ESTABLISHED 1847, LOWELL, MICH.

Advertisement for LOWELL MARBLE WORKS, JOS. H. HAMILTON, Prop., DEALER IN AND MANUFACTURER OF MARBLE AND GRANITE CEMETERY WORK. Includes list of products like WATCHES, CLOCKS, SILVERWARE, Bric-a-Brac, etc., and contact information for H. A. SHERMAN.

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NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES
Chapel
 The crops are looking well. The family encampment of McMillan and McNaughton's is in session at present.
 Mr and Mrs E. Tapley from Barry Co. visited here.
 Mr Proctor, well digger, of G. I. Rapids, is driving the well at the P. O. deep er.
 Rain is needed very much, the crops need rain. The warm weather is drying everything up.
 When in Lowell do not fail to call on Barber & Crow.

Keene News.
 Miss May Croninger spent last Sunday at Mr and Mrs Loches.
 Lee Stanton is working for John Lee.
 Mr and Mrs Moon spent Saturday in Gd. Rapids.
 Mr and Mrs Emery Moon, of Colorado are enroute for their home and expect to be there in about ten days.
 Miss May Croninger is at the picnic at Saranac today.
 The little seven year old son, of Morgan Titus was badly kicked by a horse, last Thursday.
 Mrs White, of Stanton, is visiting her sister, Mrs Frank Sayles.
 James Tredebeck is in Saranac on business this week.
 West Fox Corners and Fallsburg nines played at West Fox Corners, Saturday, score 13 to 18 in favor W. F. C.
 Aug. 31st the Fallsburg and West Fox Corners nines will play a return game at Fallsburg, winners to have \$10.
 Mr Lillie and daughters have returned to their home at Coopersville.
 Miss Ira and Clyde Sayles, of Grand Rapids, are visiting their grand parents, Mr and Mrs Charlie Sayles.

East Lowell.
 Miss Althe Weitz has returned home after visiting friends in Caledonia, Gd. Rapids and Ottawa Beach.
 J. N. Hubbel had a horse badly hurt on a barb wire fence, recently.
 Peaches are being marketed this week in great quantities.
 Your scribe has a Martha Washington geranium ship that has grown three feet and 10 inches, this summer has blossomed four times.
 Master Homer and Roy Hubbel spent last Sunday with their grandmother, at West Cannon.
 Mrs C. Hendershott has been sick with neuralgia.
 Last Thursday was Mrs Coles birthday, Mrs Ware, Mrs Cary and Mrs Peign took dinner with her in honor of it.
 C. McCarty and daughters, of Lowell, R. B. Boylan and wife, Dan Shepard, of Odessa, and Martin Bros. and wives were recent visitors of Mr and Mrs John Cary.
 Mrs S. A. Ware and son are visiting friends in Muskegon.
 M. T. Story and wife are in Grand Rapids.
 John Cary commenced picking peaches. They will have a 1000 bushels.

Home industries are what build up a town and for that reason alone you should patronize them, especially when they do the best work, such as is done by Chas. Severy at the Banner Laundry.
Whitneyville Items.
 The Ladies Aid Society at Mrs A. T. Dean's Thursday was well attended.
 Mrs Sargent has been spending the week at Grand Rapids, caring for her little grandson, who has been very sick.
 George White and family, of Marshall, are visiting relatives here.
 Bessie Davis, of Grand Rapids, who has been spending the summer with her aunt, Mrs Wm. Good, returned home Friday.
 Mr Abbey, of McCords, is still very low.
 Mrs W. Streeter visited Mrs Frank Ansley, Tuesday.
 Mrs Bert Frasher and children returned to their former home at Aberdeen, Washington. Her husband accompanying her as far as Grand Rapids.
 Several from here attended the Caledonia township picnic at Campau Lake Wednesday.
 Mr Abbey, of St. Johns, made a very pleasant call at F. J. Streeter's Thursday.
 Mr and Mrs Ferris, of Ada, visited Mr Denise's family Saturday.
 Miss Della Snow, of Alaska, spent Monday night and Tuesday with Ellis Streeter.
 The annual pioneer picnic will be held at Campau Lake, Aug. 20.
 Mrs Fred Croninger and little son, Howard, of Grand Rapids, are visiting at H. R. Dean.
 Mr and Mrs Chas. Gross were in Gd. Rapids, Thursday.

Bowls.
 Miss Grace Aldrich, of Grand Rapids, is the guest of her brother, F. M. Aldrich and wife.
 Grange picnic will be held at Campau Lake, Tuesday, Aug. 27. Speaker of the day, Mrs Mays, of Battle Creek, and others. Everybody come and hear a good speech and program.
 John McGinniss has bought a new bug y.
 Dick Johnson and family, of Middleville, and Mrs Samuel Morgan, of Lowell, is visiting at Robert Johnson's.
 A diamond social will be held at Mrs Joseph White's, Friday evening, Aug. 23, everybody cordially invited.
 Miss Winnie Barkley Sundayed with Miss Hannah Lowe.
 Mrs Hattie Sharp and daughter, Carrie, of Elburn, Ill., is visiting her aunt, Mrs J. C. Johnson and other relatives and friends.
 Mrs Wesbrook entertained her mother, Mrs Carr, and sister, Nettie, of Vergennes, last week.
 Fernor Coppens is home from Alabama on a visit.
 Mrs W. H. Watts and Libbie Cole visited Dr. L. E. Haskins and family, Elmdale, Monday p. m.
 Warren McDiarmid is entertaining a lady friend from Ypsilanti.
 Bertha Godfrey is visiting friends in Saranac.
 S. Ellis, of West Bowne, makes frequent calls on Maple Avenue.

Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder

Most Perfect Made

McCords.
 Last Wednesday morning as Manuel Yeiter was hitching up his team to take a load of hay to Cascade, he received a severe blow in the face from the heels of one of his horses, Dr. McDannell was summoned and took a few stitches in the wound above the eye, plastered up some other cuts and left the patient quite comfortable.
 The funeral of Mrs Geo. McKee, of Alto, which was held at the Morse Lake church was very largely attended. Mrs McKee was a woman of beautiful character and was loved and respected by all who knew her.
 W. D. Sterling and wife arrived at the home of Mrs E. J. Kiel, Sunday a. m. Mr Sterling returned from Ann Arbor last Monday the 12th and was met in Hastings by his wife where together they spent the week and arrived at Mrs Kiel's Sunday to spend a few weeks vacation. Mr Sterling is looking remarkably well considering the months of suffering he has passed through.
 B. D. Seeley's new house is progressing rapidly. He expects to have it completed and ready to occupy before cold weather.
 The pioneer picnic will be held at Campau Lake next Tuesday.
 Next Friday evening, an ice cream social at Morgan Boyce's.
 Next Sunday evening there will be held at the Morse Lake church, an Epworth League praise service every one should attend.
 Tuesday evening the members or volunteers of the Epworth Guard meet at the Morse Lake church for drill.
 Mr Abbey is slowly failing and there will be a council of Drs. this afternoon.

Alto Dashes.
 Supt. Malone of the D. L. & N. R. R. was in town Wednesday on business.
 The Alto second nine will play the Lowell kids, Aug. 24.
 Geo. Besch and Clarence Damouth made a trip to Lowell on their wheels, Friday.
 John Fairchild, of Grand Rapids, has been visiting friends in this vicinity.
 John Schwader, of Elmdale, is in town doing some carpenter work for his brother Frank.
 The west bound local freight backed off the switch at this station, Tuesday afternoon breaking up three cars and tearing up the track so badly that it took two days to clear up the wreck.
 Alfred and Fred Harris and wife, of Washburn, Wis., and Samuel and Richard Harris and wives, of Sault St Marie, Mich., are at G. W. McKee's, called here by the death of their sister, Mrs G. W. McKee.
 Mrs M. B. Remington is quite sick.
 It is our sad duty this week to chronicle the death of Mrs G. W. McKee, who passed from this life, August 14th, after a brief illness of only two weeks. Deceased was the daughter of Mr and Mrs William Harris, and was born in the town of Ridgeway, Orleans Co., N. Y., June 24th, 1854. She came to Irving, Mich., with her parents in 1857, where she resided until 1864, when they removed to Cascade. In 1881 she was united in marriage to George W. McKee and in 1891 they removed to Alto which has been her home since. In her 24th year she became a member of the

Methodist church of Ada, and continued a member of that church until her death. She was a member of the Daughters of Rebecca Lodge, of Alto, and also the Eastern Star Lodge, of Lowell. The funeral services were held Saturday at the West Lowell church by Elder Wesbrook, her six brothers acting as pall bearers. She was laid to rest in the cemetery at Cascade. Deceased was a woman of a very loving christian character and leaves her aged parents, six brothers and a devoted husband as well as a very large circle of friends to mourn her loss.

Alto.
 Miss Elgie Ford is improving.
 Wiley Rennels went to West Lowell, Saturday, with his mother to remain a week.
 Perry Purdy thrashed 2 acres of oats yielding 120 bu.

B. Tower, wife and two children visited Alto friends, Sunday.
 Mrs Alice Brown and daughters have gone to Saranac to visit relatives.
 Mrs Ernest Godfrey visited her mother, Mrs Hastings, a few days last week.
 Quite a large party from Belding enjoyed fishing at the Lake one day last week.
 Fred Jones and wife Sundayed with her parents, Mr and Mrs Ed. Barnes, in Ionia.
 Thos. Reid and wife visited at Peter Vanderbroeck's, Sunday.
 Mrs Cambell, of Lowell, visited Alto friends last week.
 Mrs Pat Houhien visited with Warren Ford, Sunday.
 Eliot Mason came very near having his leg broken. The hind wheel of his separator ran over his leg just above the ankle.
 Perry Purdy visited E. Mason, Sunday.
 Mr and Mrs Allie Carr, of Keene, visited her sister, Mrs Fred Condon, Sunday.
 David Clawson has gone to Albion to visit his mother.
 Armon Ring, of West Otisco, is hauling stone.

E. Godfrey is looking over the peach orchards in his district, to locate the yellows if there is any.
 Wanted, a situation to do general house work in a small family, country or village, a young lady recently from Ohio. Inquire of Mrs Otis White, Alto.

Grattan Gatherings.

Born, to Mr and Mrs Jacob Neilsen, a fine daughter.
 Mr and Mrs Nelson Rich, now of Gd. Rapids, visited the old friends here last week.
 Dr G. M. Spencer and several others are now enjoying the excursion to Niagara falls.
 Miss Grace E. Merritt, of Greenville, is a visitor at Wm. Lesister's.
 Miss Mabel and Lucy Ackert entertained a party of young girls Aug. 15.
 Prof. P. D. Cornell and daughter Miss May, went to their new home in Grand Grand Rapids Aug. 15, after teaching Union school at the Center four consecutive years and thirteen years in all.
 The past week has been one round of picnics, meeting with old friends and finishing with a ball game between the Beldings and Ashley Farmers Aug. 17.

At the Goodfellowship club picnic in H. D. Pond's grove Aug. 17, Misses Effie McArthur and Nellie Randel, with Ray Smith, took a ride on the lake close by, when suddenly a squall of wind struck them and for a time their peril was terrible to witness, the large company, including the parents of all three, stand on the shore powerless to aid. Finally the wind carried them safely ashore, but Miss R. was taken very sick that night, being under the doctor's care for several days. She is now able to be out we are happy to add.

Many have thought the dry weather would injure fruit, but peaches and plums now ripe are large and luscious. Peaches look just as nice as ever.
 The Washington Club held their annual picnic in the beautiful maple grove around John Ashley's house Aug. 18. A sumptuous feast was served to 115 guests. Among the many speakers whose "flow of soul" was most eloquent were E. B. Lapham, of the Belding Banner—who sang an original poem, and Editor Wells, of the Greenville Daily Call. Said Bro. L.'s fame as a poet and singer is known far and wide, in fact he is well known as the "sweetest, dearest, loveliest singer of Belding."

The Ashley S. S. held their annual picnic in Pond's grove Aug. 21. Other schools have been invited to join them.
 Visitors the past week: Miss Martha Nicholson, of Harrison; Misses Madge and Addie Combs, of Carson City; Mrs Wheeler, of Belding; Miss Hattie Rich and T. Keating's daughter, of Grand Rapids; Miss Zoë Shanks and Miss Austin, of Courtland—with their best gentlemen. These all calling at Mrs M. A. Lesister's to see little Kitty Lynette, who is growing finely.
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Fallsburg Facts.

Grove Sears and wife, of Grattan, visited her parents, Henry Scott and wife, Sunday.
 Mrs George Taylor, of Lowell, visited her daughter, Mrs Will Tredebeck, a few days last week.
 Arthur Sayles and wife, of Keene, visited at Max Denny's Sunday.
 Ben Sage and wife Sundayed with Ira Pottruff and wife.
 Mrs White, of Stanton, is visiting her sister, Mrs Frank Sayles.
 Mrs Bert Lillie is visiting her parents at Coopersville.
 Mrs Wm. Rexford and Mrs Wesbrook visited relatives at Saranac last week.
 Mrs Will Scott has gone to Trufant to visit her parents.
 Arthur Sayles, Charlie Richmond, Bert Colvin, Willie Rexford and Jimmie Sage are all near Park River, N. D. working for the same man. Willie Rexford, engineer, Arthur Sayles, feeder and Jimmie Sage, driving team.
 Little Henry Bozung is sick with the malaria fever.
 Wesley Fallas is in Grand Rapids with his son, Henry. He was taken sick last week and the latter came for him and took him home with him until he regains his health.

Glen Titus, 6 years old, was leading a horse to water last Saturday evening, when the horse kicked him, rendering him unconscious in which state he remained until the next morning. He has recovered.
 Visitors at Wm. Rexford's during the past week were, Ed Condon and family, of Gtisco, and Mattie and Ralph Wesbrook, of Campbell.
 Mrs O. W. White, of Stanton, has been visiting her niece, Mrs Hiram Gott.
 Mrs H. Gott is spending this week in Keene.

A very few dollars will pay for a ticket to Petoskey and return on the D. L. & N. C. & W. M. excursion August 29th. Tickets good ten days. Ask agents or write to L. M. Fuller, Chief Clerk, Gd. Rapids.

Cascade.

L. A. Elkin, of Grattan, visited his relatives, Mrs F. M. Thompson and son, Johnny, last week.
 Mrs D. S. Ingraham has returned from several days visit in Grand Rapids.
 Mrs Joseph Harlin died at her home in Grand Rapids a short time ago. The remains were taken to Oakland county for burial. Her aged companion is kindly remembered by many friends in Cascade, which place was their former home.
 Mr and Mrs Quiggie's baby is a daughter, not a son, as the Journal had it last week.
 A fine monument has been erected to the memory of Bernard Heesche, also fitting headstones to the little daughters—Ethel and Bertha—of Mr and Mrs W. S. Heesche, in the village cemetery.
 Mrs H. C. Davison has returned from a three weeks visit at Spring Lake.
 Wm Boles received a telegram Saturday announcing the death of a cousin at Three Rivers.

Anna Margaret Harris was born in the town of Rigway, Orleans Co., N. Y., in the year 1854, and was married to Geo. W. McKee Dec. 25, 1880. She died at her home in Alto, Aug. 14, 1895. She came to Michigan when two years old and was a resident of Cascade for many years. A few years ago her aged parents left their farm here and moved to Alto, that they might be near their only daughter. She was taken sick, but in spite of all that loving hands and medical aid could do death claimed her as its own. The funeral was held Saturday, Rev. Wesbrook officiating. The church was filled beyond its seating capacity. The casket was laden with flowers, among which was a beautiful pillow of flowers from her brothers, bearing the word "Sister." The burial was in Cascade cemetery, her six brothers acting as pall bearers. In a grave lined with evergreen rests a devoted wife, a loving daughter, a kind sister and a true friend.

About fifty who were in attendance at the funeral of Mrs McKee, repaired from the cemetery to James Harris' where dinner was in waiting for them. Friends from Alto, Lowell, Ada, Caledonia, Grand Rapids, Middleville, Wisconsin and the Upper Peninsula were represented here.

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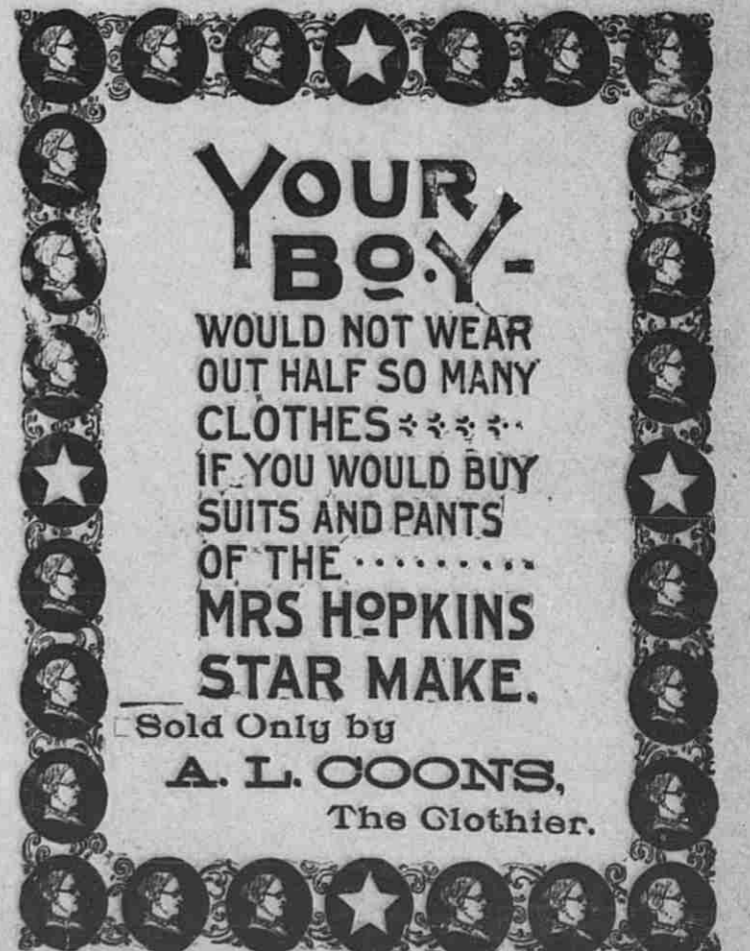
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