

BUSINESS OUTLOOK.

August Closes with a Striking Increase in Trade Volume.

Wheat Harvest and Corn Prospects Aid the Situation—A Boom in Iron Is On—Better Feeling in All Lines.

New York, Aug. 31.—Bradstreet's says of the trade situation: "The concluding week of August surprises even the more optimistic with a striking increase in the volume of business with jobbers in staple lines at such centers as New York, Baltimore, Boston, Chicago, St. Louis, Kansas City, St. Paul, Minneapolis, and to a moderate extent at distributing points in South Atlantic and Gulf states, among them Charleston, Chattanooga, Atlanta, Savannah, Jacksonville, Birmingham and Dallas. In dry goods, millinery, shoes, hats, clothing and groceries the autumn demand is making good advance of the assumed for a further improvement in immediately succeeding weeks.

Encouraged by the Harvest. This situation is encouraged by a practical certainty of an unprecedentedly large crop of Indian corn and a phenomenal harvest of wheat in the northwest, as well as by the expected upward bound of prices of iron and iron, followed by a corresponding gain in demand.

Boom in Iron. "The gain in quotations for steel and iron is one of the sharpest within a week on record, and following as it does an advance of about 50 per cent from the lowest levels reached in 1894-95 is enough to cause the question of whether a veritable boom is impending in these metals. A jump of nearly \$2 per ton for Bessemer pig within a week, \$1.50 for billets, \$1 for charcoal pig, and western mills refusing to take orders for future delivery except at values, renders these industries excited.

The total volume of general trade for the summer has been larger than in 1894, and in many instances than in 1893, with the outlook so-day for even a better fall demand than many had anticipated. The upward and onward impulse of this week is noticeable. All winter lines of goods have felt an improved request, and manufacturers and jobbers are preparing to handle a large fall trade. Even at the south, where recovery from the effects of the late trade depression was felt late in the season, country merchants report a better feeling in all lines and a fair demand for wholesalers."

From Dun's Standpoint. NEW YORK, Aug. 31.—E. G. Dun & Co., in their weekly review of trade, say:

"Improvement in markets and prices continues, and whereas a few months ago everybody was nursing the faintest hopes of recovery, it has now come to be the only question in what branches, if any, the rise in prices and in the increase of business may go too far. A strong conservative feeling is finding expression, not as yet controlling the markets or industries, but warning against too rapid expansion and rise. In some directions the advance in prices clearly checks future business. The industries are not only doing better than anybody had expected, but are counting upon a great business for the rest of the year.

Wheat, Corn, Etc. "The prospect for wheat has hardly improved this week, though the price has fallen 1 1/2 cents. In the past few weeks Atlantic exports have been only 4,300,000 bushels, against 11,700,000 last year, and this alone is quite enough to explain the failure to maintain the sensational advance in prices, which so effectively checked the export. Corn is coming forward more freely, and the September price has declined a quarter. With the promise of a great crop, pork and lard are a shade lower. Cotton is rising as if there were no surplus of 3,000,000 bales American carried over to the new crop year, which begins with next week. The price has advanced to 8 1/2 cents.

The Failure Record. "Failures in three weeks of August show liabilities of \$2,616,300—manufacturing, \$3,517,377; trading, \$2,523,500. In the same weeks last year liabilities were \$2,174,470—manufacturing, \$2,565,330; trading, \$3,284,414. Failures for the week have been 180 in the United States, against 190 last year, and 48 in Canada, against 40 last year."

Wanted 4,000 Ballots. WINTERSET, Ia., Aug. 31.—The convention to choose a state senator for Adair and Madison counties, which was held in the woods 12 miles from here on the line between the two counties, has adjourned, after casting 4,000 ballots without result, to meet in Winterset September 24. Each county has twelve delegates and refuses to vote for the other's candidate.

Record Lowered. WALTHAM, Mass., Sept. 2.—At the national circuit bicycle race meet at Waltham cycle park Monday afternoon a quadruple ridden by Callahan, Barnett, E. McDuffee and Haggerty, lowered the world's record for that machine by 1 1/4 seconds, lowering it to 1:48 1/4 without pacemakers.

Breaks His Neck While Bathing. CHICAGO, Sept. 2.—While bathing in the lake at the foot of Wilson avenue at 6 o'clock Sunday evening William Klein dived from the pier into the shallow water, breaking his neck. He died instantly. His body was taken to his home.

An Ex-Senator Dead. WASHINGTON, Sept. 2.—A special from Richmond, Va., says that ex-United States Senator J. S. Lewis died at his home near Harrisonburg Monday morning of a cancerous disease in the 77th year of his age.

Receiver Appointed. MEMPHIS, Tenn., Sept. 2.—A receiver has been appointed for the Memphis Car & Foundry company, whose liabilities are \$800,000, with assets of \$775,000. The company recently moved its plant from Litchfield, Ill.

Came to Grief. WILMINGTON, Del., Aug. 31.—Twenty men at Penn's Grove, N. J., were lodged in jail in this city charged with violating the neutrality laws in having organized a hostile expedition to Cuba.

Lover and Rival Shot. QUINCY, Ill., Aug. 31.—A woman named Dora Holligman fatally shot her faithless lover, Henry Boding, and her rival, Ross Swearingen, near here, and made her escape.

BASEBALL.

Standing of the Various League Clubs at Close of Games Sept. 2.

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

Table with columns: CLUBS, Won, Lost, Per cent. Rows include Baltimore, Cleveland, Philadelphia, Boston, Brooklyn, Pittsburgh, New York, Chicago, Cincinnati, Washington, St. Louis, Louisville.

Table with columns: CLUBS, Won, Lost, Per cent. Rows include Indianapolis, Kansas City, St. Paul, Minneapolis, Milwaukee, Detroit, Terre Haute, Grand Rapids.

Table with columns: CLUBS, Won, Lost, Per cent. Rows include Lincoln, Des Moines, Peoria, Quincy, Rockford, Burlington, Dubuque, St. Joseph.

DEATH OF A NOTED INDIAN. Gen. Ely Samuel Parker, Who Was Once Gen. Grant's Secretary.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Sept. 2.—Gen. Ely Samuel Parker, the famous full-blooded Indian who was Grant's private secretary during the war and later commissioner of Indian affairs, died suddenly Friday night at the residence in Fairfield of Arthur Brown, where he came from New York Friday.

The Dreadful Disease Gets Its Grip on Honolulu. SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 31.—The steamer Monowai, which arrived Friday night from Australian ports, did not stop at Honolulu. When off that port the steamer was hailed by the American consul in a small boat, who announced that cholera had broken out in Honolulu. Among the natives and Chinese the cholera brook out soon after the steamer Belgic left on her last trip. It is presumed the disease was brought by that vessel. The Monowai did not enter Honolulu harbor, but steamed direct for San Francisco. Her passengers for Hawaii were brought here. There had been eight deaths from the disease among the natives and Chinese.

CHINESE IN ANOTHER RIOT. Christians Are Injured and Houses Wrecked at Hok Chiang. Foo Choo, Sept. 2.—Rioters at Hok Chiang have attacked the Christians, wounded four and destroyed houses. The dangerous situation is the fault of the magistrate, who issued a proclamation slandering the Christians.

COFFEE DEALERS FAIL. Philadelphia Firm Assigns with Liabilities of Nearly \$100,000. PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 2.—The failure was announced Saturday of Charles Tuller & Co., extensive coffee brokers, with headquarters at Water and Chestnut streets, in this city. The liabilities are estimated all the way from \$70,000 to \$100,000. The assets are not known, but it is said they are not material. The failure created a surprise in the trade.

Not in the Convent. MONTREAL, Sept. 3.—The story of Minnie Williams, Holmes' alleged victim, being here in the convent of the Hotel Dieu, which was telegraphed to the United States, is pronounced untrue by all connected with the institution here.

Will Speak for Hardin. LEXINGTON, Ky., Sept. 3.—Ol W. C. P. Breckenside will make his first appearance in politics in the present campaign at Williamstown September 21, speaking in favor of Gen. Hardin and the state democratic ticket.

Fused Away. TOLEDO, O., Sept. 2.—Dr. Patrick F. Quigley, one of the most learned and picturesque characters in modern Catholicism, who caused the formation of the American Protective association, died in this city.

Tragedy in Missouri. CHADWICH, Mo., Sept. 2.—During a dance at a farmhouse Saturday night Isaac Lewis objected to his daughter dancing with John Bredin. The latter, with his brother Louis and his father, Marion Bredin, attacked Lewis and literally cut him to pieces. Lewis fell dead and the Bredins fled during the excitement.

Wilkensbarre, Pa., Sept. 3.—While endeavoring to prevent Fred Chapman from beating his wife William Davis was fatally shot by the enraged husband.

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.

Twenty-Sixth Triennial Conclave Held in Boston.

The Grand Commandery Selects Officers—Kentucky Gets the Commander and Pittsburgh the Next Meeting—Homeward Bound.

Boston, Aug. 30.—The third session of the twenty-sixth triennial conclave of the Knights Templar opened at the Masonic temple Thursday morning. It was voted to suspend the reading of the records of Wednesday's proceedings, and on suggestion of Very Eminent Sir Henry W. Rugg it was decided to vote for grand master by roll call, first calling the grand encampment and then the states in alphabetical order.

The first ballot was as follows: Whole number, 301; necessary for choice, 151; Eminent Sir La Rue Thomas of Maryland, Ky., received 297; Eminent Sir Samuel C. Lawrence of Boston; Eminent Sir Hugh McCurdy, 2; Eminent Sir R. H. Lloyd, of San Francisco, 1.

Sir Hugh McCurdy, in a complimentary address, announced his successor amid great demonstrations of enthusiasm.

Sir Knight Thomas replied in a speech expressing his deep sensibility of the honor conferred upon him. Pittsburgh in October, '98.

While the ballots for the deputy grand master were being collected, the committee on time and place for the next meeting reported in favor of Pittsburgh.



GRAND MASTER SIR W. LA RUE THOMAS, burg as the place, and recommended the second Tuesday in October, 1898, as the time. The recommendations were unanimously adopted.

The voting for deputy grand master resulted in the election of Eminent Sir Knight Reuben B. Lloyd, now grand generalissimo. Sir Knight Lloyd responded in a brief but earnest speech. He said he should consider the honor more a tribute to the Pacific slope than to himself.

Other officers elected before adjournment were: Grand Generalissimo, Eminent Sir Henry B. Stoddard, of Texas; grand captain general, Very Eminent Sir George M. Goutten, of Illinois; grand senior warden, Very Eminent Sir Henry W. Rugg, of Massachusetts; and Rhode Island; grand junior warden, Very Eminent Sir William J. McLaugh, of Ohio.

Sir W. H. Mayo, of St. Louis, was elected grand recorder. Grand Treasurer H. Wales Lines, of Meriden, Conn. was unanimously re-elected.

Homeward Bound. BOSTON, Aug. 31.—The triennial conclave of the Knights Templar closed Friday. The exodus of the knights has begun, and many are leaving the city for their homes. Knights were seen marching through the street as on Saturday, Sunday and Monday, but with their faces turned toward the railway stations. The music also was suggestive of departure, the bands playing such airs as "Farewell," "The Girl I Left Behind Me," "Say Au Revoir and Not Good-by."

The last session of the grand encampment opened at Masonic temple at 10 o'clock, and at the conclusion of the business session the new grand officers were installed.

Demand for Small Bills. WASHINGTON, Sept. 3.—The furnishing of small notes and silver dollars to meet the demand for money to move the crops is likely to absorb the energies of the treasury department during the next few weeks more than the demand for gold. The demand is not so active this year as it has sometimes been, and is not expected to be, because the national banks are better equipped than usual with small notes.

The Treasury Statement. WASHINGTON, Sept. 2.—The treasury statement shows that the excess of expenditures over receipts for August was \$3,663,103, against a deficit in July of \$9,500,000. The customs receipts during the month were \$16,639,047 and treasury receipts \$28,953,690.

Drowned in a Mine. CENTRAL CITY, Col., Aug. 31.—Sixteen men employed in the Steep Hollow and American mines below this place were caught in an overflow of water and all were drowned.

King Nearly Drowned. BLANETT, Sept. 2.—King Alexander of Servia nearly lost his life while bathing Saturday morning in the Bay of Biscay.

A Sad Case of Suicide. WHEELING, W. Va., Sept. 2.—William Yost, one of the pioneer German citizens of Wheeling, committed suicide Sunday by shooting himself through the head. Mr. Yost was 83 years of age. Despondency over the fact that none of his children lived to care for him in his declining years, and continued illness, was the cause of the self-murder.

AN EASTERN SHOCK.

An Earthquake Frightens Residents of Several States.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 2.—A distinctly perceptible earthquake shock was felt here Sunday morning about 6 o'clock. The vibration did not last longer than a second or so, but it was severe enough to awaken people from sleep and to shake ornaments hanging on walls. The direction of the shock was from southeast to north-northwest.

New York, Sept. 2.—Indications are that the earthquake was felt only in Delaware, New Jersey, eastern Pennsylvania and eastern New York, including the western part of Long Island. From no place is there any record of disaster or serious damage. In most places the nature of the shock seems scarcely to have been suspected. In a few places the more ignorant or more superstitious of the inhabitants were thrown into paroxysms of terror and betook themselves to their knees, their prayers and their Bibles. This is the first shock felt in this part of the United States since 1893.

INDICTED.

Echoes of the Recent Race Riot at Spring Valley, Ill. PRINCETON, Ill., Sept. 3.—Mayor Martin Delmarco, of Spring Valley, was indicted by the grand jury Monday charged with giving aid and encouragement to the recent mob that drove the colored people out of the city by failure and refusal to perform his official duties. An indictment was returned against fifteen other persons who are charged with being active members of the mob and participating in the assaults upon the colored people. Other indictments charge Mayor Delmarco, Alderman Hicks, Alderman Riva and thirty-five persons in Spring Valley and Seatonville with operating saloons on the Sunday of the riots and on other Sundays in violation of the state law.

WORK OF WHITE CAPS. Take a Negro from Jail in Kentucky and Riddle Him with Bullets. HICKMAN, Ky., Sept. 3.—Between midnight and daybreak Monday morning Will Butcher, a negro, was taken from the city lock-up and shot to pieces by unknown white caps. Sunday night he got into a quarrel with a crowd of negroes. The police tried to arrest him, but he resisted and threw a brick, striking a prominent white citizen. He was finally put behind the bars. Monday morning the door of the lock-up was found open and the prisoner gone. Later Butcher was found dead on the river bank with his head shot to pieces and the body riddled with bullet holes. Eight or ten white masks were found near by. No arrests.

A SERIOUS LOSS.

Death at Washington of United States Fish Commissioner McDonald. WASHINGTON, Sept. 2.—Mr. Marshall McDonald, of West Virginia, who for the last seven years has held the position of United States commissioner of fish and fisheries, died Sunday morning at his residence in this city of pulmonary disease, after an illness of several months. Mr. McDonald was the inventor of a number of ingenious appliances, including a stairway to enable salmon and other migrating fish to ascend the rapids of rivers, and his services were of great benefit to the cause of fish culture.

GOES TO PRISON FOR LIFE.

PANA, Ill., Aug. 31.—In the criminal division of the circuit court Friday morning Judge Jacob Fouke presiding, Noah Foster, indicted last March for the murder of Arthur L. Binnion on December 14, 1894, entered a plea of guilty and was sentenced to life imprisonment at hard labor in the southern Illinois penitentiary at Chester.

FROSTS IN MINNESOTA.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Aug. 30.—Frosts are reported at many points in northern Minnesota, but all grain is cut and the only damage will be to late garden truck.

THE MARKETS.

Table of market prices for various commodities including Live Stock, Flour, Corn, Oats, Beans, Butter, Eggs, etc., with columns for New York and Chicago prices.

AFTER TWO YEARS.

Dr. George W. Fraker Captured in Minnesota.

The Famous Insurance Swindler Not Dead, After All—Efforts Being Made to Stop Payment on Unpaid Policies.

DULUTH, Minn., Sept. 3.—Living in the wilds of northern Minnesota, 50 miles from a post office, with only a boy for a companion, Dr. George W. Fraker, who planned one of the most gigantic and successful insurance swindles of modern times, was Monday captured by officers who have been on his track for the past two years. Up to August 12 last there was a standing reward of \$30,000 for his arrest offered by the insurance companies.

Fraker thought he had been arrested for killing game out of season, as Philip was also game warden. When the warrant was read to him he was thunderstruck, but admitted his identity at once. He was brought to town, together with his companion. Fraker readily agreed to accompany the officers to Missouri without waiting for extradition papers, and was taken down Monday morning. In conversation he stated that he had expected his relatives to get a portion of the insurance money and himself some also.

Fraker said he did not leave home on purpose to defraud the companies, but that while he was near the Missouri river he fell in. He swam across the river and got on land. The next day he read in the papers that he had been drowned, and concluded to carry out the deception and allow his heirs to collect the insurance.

Want Payment Stopped. KANSAS CITY, Mo., Sept. 3.—An application will be made to Judge Foster of the United States court sitting in chambers here to-day by attorneys for the insurance companies, who paid policies on the life of Dr. Fraker who was found in Dover, Minn., to stop the payment of \$40,000 of the sum which is now in the hands of the probate court at Liberty, Mo., awaiting apportionment among Fraker's heirs.

EX-GOV. ANDERSON DEAD.

News Reaches Dayton of His Death at Kuttawa, Ky. DAYTON, O., Sept. 3.—News was received here Monday of the death of Charles Anderson, ex-governor of Ohio, at Kuttawa, Ky.

He was lieutenant governor under Brough in 1865 and when the latter died assumed the gubernatorial dignity. He was a noted lawyer, married Eliza J. Brown here in 1838, was a colonel of the famous Ninety-third Ohio volunteer infantry and was connected with some of the leading families of this city.

Does your head feel as though someone was hammering it; as though a million spurs were flying out of the eyes? Have you horrible sickness of the stomach? Burdock Blood Bitters will cure you.

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Sons of Veterans Going South. CINCINNATI, Sept. 3.—The Sons of Veterans hold their annual encampment at Knoxville, Tenn., September 16 to 19. This is the first meeting ever held by the national organization south of the Ohio and Potomac.

Wins the Race and Breaks a Record. DENVER, Col., Sept. 3.—O. B. Hackenberger, an unattached wheelman, won the 25 mile road race Monday, establishing a world's record. Time, 1 hour, 4 minutes, 47 seconds. The record heretofore was 1:10.

Chosen Orator. ATLANTA, Ga., Aug. 31.—Emory Spear, United States judge for the southern circuit of Georgia, has been chosen orator for the opening exercises of the Cotton States International exposition.

Big Fire in Buffalo. BUFFALO, N. Y., Sept. 2.—Fire early Sunday morning destroyed the Academy of music, the oldest playhouse in Buffalo, and several adjoining buildings. The loss is between \$250,000 and \$300,000.

Don't Like It. MAINTOBA, Sept. 3.—J. C. Patterson, a member of the dominion cabinet, has been appointed governor of Manitoba in the face of determined opposition of the people, who wanted a local resident named.

THE Michigan State Fair

Will be held at Grand Rapids, September 9-13, '95

Inclusive, on the spacious grounds of the West Michigan Agricultural Society. This will be a great AGRICULTURAL and INDUSTRIAL EXPOSITION

The large Main Building will be filled with Art, Needlework, Manufactures and Fruit. The display of Fruit will be immense, and there will be acres of Farm Implements.

On Monday, Sept. 9, there will be BICYCLE RACES, for which magnificent prizes are offered. TROTTING and PACING RACES each afternoon. No swindling games nor immoral shows allowed on the grounds.

Reduced rates on all Railroads. Bicycle entries close Aug. 31. I. H. BUTTERFIELD, Secy.

Advertisement for J. H. Hamilton & Son Bankers, established 1827, with address in Lowell, Mich.

Advertisement for Lowell Marble Works, featuring marble and granite cemetery work, watches, clocks, silverware, and wedding presents.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC: We have decided to help pay your expenses during Fair Week. That your visit may not be fruitless we have arranged a

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WITH PRICES REDUCED WAY BELOW OUR REGULAR LOW PRICES.

ALL our new season's products, comprising the latest styles, will be offered at prices which should induce you to invest every dollar you can raise. We have been for years before the public and our integrity for Honest Clothing and Low Prices is well known to every pioneer in Western Michigan, as well as the younger generation. Our name is a synonym of all that's best in Clothing.

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75c, \$1, 1.25
\$1.50, \$2, AND UPWARDS.

Good Knock-about Men's Suits.....	\$3
Men's Suits, A little finer grade.....	\$7
Men's Suits, Extra quality, fashionable cut.....	\$8

ULSTERS, Fall and Winter Overcoats for Men and Boys. Furnishings of every description and at bed-rock prices. Underwear, Hats and Caps. Make our store your headquarters while in the city. Every purchase you make will equal a big CASH PREMIUM shoved down in your pocket.

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NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES.

Elmdale.
Jessie Fletcher has been visiting in Gd. Rapids.
Miss Mae Burr returned Thursday from a very pleasant visit in Big Rapids.
Jesse and Elsie Davis, of Mulliken, spent Saturday and Sunday with their brother, Rev. E. W. Davis.
Miss Jeanette Burr started for Ionia Saturday, where she will spend a few days and then return to Big Rapids.
If your cistern pump or eave troughs are out of order see Littlefield.
Town Line Tidings.
J. S. Peet, of Caledonia, visited old friends in this vicinity last week.
Miss Hattie Sargent entertained eighteen relatives and friends Sunday.
Mrs. Batey is visiting her mother this week.
The Ladies Aid Society will hold a social at the home of Mrs. H. Westbrook, next week Friday in the evening, supper will be served. Welcome.
School commenced in the Snow district Monday with Miss Nellie Winks teacher.
Mrs. Clinton Snow will visit friends in Lansing this week.

CLAY
Have you had any of Barber & Crow's teas? Try them.

East Ada.
Mrs. Buttrick attended the pioneer picnic at Ada Tuesday.
Mrs. S. Wunsch and daughter, Clara, are visiting in Grand Rapids.
Mae Elmondorph is visiting friends in Lake Odessa.
Mr. and Mrs. Butler have returned to their home in Chicago.
Visitors the past week: at A. Rolf's were Mrs. Blass, Mrs. Robinson and Mr. Keifer.
Mr. and Mrs. Bagley, of Lake Odessa, visited with J. Elmondorph Saturday.
Some one is digging the farmers potatoes free of cost.
Corra Townsend is home, keeping house or her father.
Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder Most Perfect Made.

Fallsburg Facts.

Elmer Richmond and wife and Frank Sherrard and wife visited at Max Denny's Sunday.
Mrs. Richardson has returned from her visit at Lake Odessa.
D. M. Goodsell and wife spent Sunday with their daughter, Mrs. Will Rexford.
Wesley Fallas has returned from Gd. Rapids.
Wm. Rexford was in Grand Rapids Saturday on business.
Mrs. Stanton has had a sister visiting her, the past week.
Mrs. Frank Wilson and children, O. Muir, have been visiting her father, R. Adams.
Miss Kittie Booth has returned home.
Largest and best selection of school supplies at Look's.
Down the River.
Mrs. Hastings entertained her father, Alfred Barber and wife, of Vergennes, and brother, A. Barber and wife, of Lowell, the first of the week.
Joseph Denny is now Moderator of Dist. No. 2.
John Ellis and wife, of McCords, were recent visitors at L. A. Carter's.
Geo. Broadbent and wife spent Sunday with relatives near McCords.
Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Quick, of Grand Rapids, are visiting at W. J. Dollaway's.
John Engles returned last Tuesday from a business trip to Buffalo, N. Y.
Mrs. H. L. Kingston, of Ionia, visited her brother, Ed Story and wife recently.
Eli Eply and two daughters have returned to their home in Stanton, after spending a few days visiting his parents H. Epley and wife and other relatives.
Oil stove, nearly new, for sale cheap. Enquire at this office.
Vergennes Visitor.
A. O. Vandusen, of Battle Creek, called on G. W. Crosby one day last week. He was on his way to Grand Rapids and had made the whole trip on his wheel.
L. J. Lee and family and Wm. H. Parker and family took in the picnic at Ada.
Yes, Sister Maud, the brother Cors, are few; only four brothers and twenty-one sisters in our corps.

Henry Mastenbrook and Master Clinton Hodges have new wheels.
Sister Pansie, we can boast of snow balls on our snow ball bush.
Mrs. Myron King entertained Mr. and Mrs. Dewey, of Banfield, recently.
Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Crosby Sunday in South Lowell, at the elegant home of Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Hunter. They have lived on the same farm over forty years and are now reaping the reward of their hard labor in years past.
Mrs. G. W. Crosby is having a serious time with the rheumatism, again.
IDA MAY.
Save your PEACH PITS. Bergin pays cash for them.
South Boston.
Mrs. G. W. Tucker has returned from Leonidas and brought one of her grand daughters with her.
School commences in the North Bell district next Monday, with George Gould as teacher.
H. W. White, of Toledo, O., Mrs. J. P. Benedict, of Petoskey, Mrs. Frank Walker and Geo. Frazer, of Ontonagon, visited Mr. and Mrs. Edward Babcock last Friday.
Mr. and Mrs. Geo. White, of Marshall, visited Mr. and Mrs. Frank Morton the last of the week.
The L. D. Council will have a meeting at South Boston Hall, on Saturday, Sept. 7th.
Mrs. Robert Graham visited Mrs. Frank Morton Tuesday, and Mrs. E. L. Bennett visited Mrs. D. H. English the same day.
Mr. and Mrs. Wellington Gilley and their family are a little better.
Peach orchard owners are very busy.
Cedar Fence posts, peeled, from 7c. up at W. J. Ecker & Son's.
East Lowell.
C. C. Rolf, of East Ada, was the guest of J. N. Hubbel, recently.
Joel Aldrich, of Gd. Rapids, was in this place last week.
Mrs. J. McCall and son, Ora and Miss Whedon, of Lowell, were guests of Mrs. J. N. Hubbel last week.
Myron Kisor and wife entertained company from Berlin, last week.
Rev. H. Coles and wife entertained friends from Muskegon, last week.
S. Y. Carey took a flying trip to Oposso last week.
Miss Lena Paign, of Saranac, is visiting Miss Pink Coles.
Visitors at John Carey's last week were, Milton Perry, wife and three daughters, of Lowell, Mr. Sinclair, of Hillsdale, Jennie and Mary Keefe, and Mrs. Trare, of Sebawa, Mr. Hoover, of Bowne Center, and Miss Hoover, of Caledonia.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson are entertaining their friend, Miss Johnson, of Lowell.
The U. B. picnic at Oak Grove was largely attended, Elder Jarvis and wife, and Elder Sloan and wife were present.
Mrs. Godfrey has an aunt visiting her, from Stanwood.
Bert Hendershot was kicked by a horse last Saturday. No serious result.
Our school began Monday with Miss Mary Freeman as teacher.
For wagon and carriage repairs and tire setting go to J. Rolf opposite McQueen's barn. New work made to order. 9-12
West Lowell Links.
Mrs. Stowe has an apple tree in blossom, which has fifty blossoms on it, and a sunflower with forty five blossoms.
Mrs. Easterday has been having a very pleasant visit with her daughter, Tillie, who has been home on a visit.
Mrs. Henry Jay and daughter, Emma, called on Mrs. Stowe, Friday.
J. Brece and son and H. and W. Brece visited with Peter Jay recently.
Myron Sterling and wife, of Kalamazoo, Dick Bomersacker and a lady from Kalamazoo, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Milton Sterling.
Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Ed Stinton, a daughter, usual weight.
Mr. Wilson and Will Wilson, of Montcalm Co., are visiting with Peter Jay.
B. Carey and Harley Muller are picking peaches for Mr. Blair.
Nathan Blair is shipping 200 bu. of peaches a day.
John Bruner, of Montcalm Co., visited H. Jay, recently.
I have a house and lot in Grand Rapids which I will exchange for Lowell property.
South Lowell.
Quarterly meeting at the M. E. church, Sept. 14 and 15th.
The latest arrival at Chas. Yeiter's, another girl, come to stay.
Miss Minnie Cilley, of Lowell, visited her parents and attended church last Sunday.
Mrs. Jacob Layer is visiting relatives in Ohio.
Mrs. Annie Richardson and children, of Millbrook, are making a two weeks visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Christie and other relatives.
S. S. Convention will be held at the M. E. church Sept. 20th.
The Junior League will hold a picnic next Saturday afternoon in Mr. Stoughton's woods.
Mrs. W. K. Graham is at Petoskey taking care of her son, Vincent, who is not quite so well as usual.

Mrs. Horace Noble, of Cooks Corners, returned to her home last Monday after spending a few days with DeWitt Fero and family and Chas. Stoughton.
Sigel Graham has the frame up for a new barn.
Quite a number of children in this vicinity are badly afflicted with whooping cough.
In looking over the Journal columns we notice the Cors had a picnic. The Vergennes Cor. says she was sorry the other nine were not there. The Editor says their were ten absent and seems to think they lost a treat by not being present. Perhaps the other nine were treated as the tenth one was, "Given a decided snub," hence their absence.
Jno. Schwader had the misfortune to get one of his hands badly cut one day last week, while working around a threshing machine.
Seeing us believing, come and be convinced by our low prices.
BARBER & CRAW.
Logan.
Mrs. Ann Ford spent last week with Bowne Center friends.
Miss C. M. VandeWerker commenced her fall term of school in the Lowe Dist., Monday.
Geo. Needham was in town one day last week.
Chas. Pelton, of Lake Odessa, spent Sunday here.
Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Worden, of Lowell, visited friends here Sunday.
Hiram Seese is visiting relatives in Kansas.
Mr. and Mrs. Noah Thomas, of East Campbell, spent Sunday with the former's parents here.
Willie Glasgow visited friends in Hastings and O. Donnel last week.
School commenced in this district last Monday, with Lee Osborn, of Campbell, as teacher.
Jno. Hartley, of Alto, visited his son, Phillip, of this place, recently.
J. B. Thompson received a dispatch from Grand Rapids that his aged mother was dangerously ill.
BRIDGET.
Please call and pay your long past due subscription.
Pratt Lake Pebbles.
Miss Ruby Story returned to Grand Rapids, Saturday, where she will attend school.
Mrs. Hannah Stone and her son, Bird, Juddie, Darius and his wife, visited her brother, Levi Fletcher and family a few days, the first of the week.
Mrs. Keller has gone to Canada to spend a couple of months visiting her daughter.

Mrs. M. C. Walker and daughter, Lizzie, of Lowell, are visiting at A. M. Andrews.
The dry season we have had, had its effect upon the wells in this vicinity. A. M. Andrews has a drive well with 56 ft. of water and is to have a mill with all the late improvements.
Misses Eva and Harriet Fletcher returned to school in Saranac, Monday.
The Literary meeting of the Epworth League was held last Sunday eve. A very good large attendance present.
Hiram Race, of Crystal, called on his aunt, Mrs. Eunice Fletcher, last Sunday, not having seen her for 40 years.
Frank Albright, of Lowell, visited at Mr. Andrews's, Sunday.
GWEN.
Everybody cannot afford to pay full fare to see the State Fair at Grand Rapids. To allow everybody to see it the D., L. & N. Railway will run a special low rate excursion on Sept. 12, which will leave Elmdale at 9:53 a. m. and arrive at Grand Rapids at 10:45 a. m. Returning leave at 7 p. m. Round trip rate 55 cents. The combined State, West Michigan and Kent County Fairs insure the biggest and best show ever seen in Michigan. You must see it. L. M. FULLER, G. C.
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For Sale, Exchange, and all matters interesting farmers will be run in this column five lines or less once for 15 cts; additional lines 3 cts. (1 cent a word.)
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Ax grinding and saw gumming at G. W. Bousess machine shop.
Lumber, Lath, Shingles and wooden saw-roughs at W. J. Ecker & Son's.
Cedar Fence posts, peeled, from 7c. up at W. J. Ecker & Son's.
Wagons! The celebrated Belknap wagons Best made, at J. M. Zimmerman's.
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