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One Dollar a Year.

CONVICTED.

Holmes Found Guilty of the Murder of Pitzel.

Jury Requires But a Short Time to Reach Its Verdict—The Archfiend But Little Moved by the Result—New Trial Asked.

Philadelphia, Nov. 4.—Henry H. Holmes was convicted of murder in the first degree at 8:51 o'clock Saturday night for killing Benjamin F. Pitzel. He coughed slightly when he heard the words. That was the only sign.

The jury retired to deliberate at 5:40 o'clock. According to one of their number they had reached their verdict before the doors of their room closed upon them. For hunger's sake they ate their supper first. Then they took a ballot, and without hesitation every man of the 12 answered: "Guilty of murder in the first degree."

Return of the Jury.

At 8:40 o'clock there was a bustle of moving people in the packed courtroom and it became known that the jury was coming in. A moment later Judge Arnold took his seat. District Attorney Graham and his assistants entered and the jury filed solemnly in and took their seats in the box. Then, amid an oppressive silence, Holmes was brought in and placed in the dock. For a moment there was not a sound. The silence was literally painful and every heart in that crowded room throbbed faster. The man who was about to hear his doom pronounced stood erect in the dock, the



H. H. HOLMES

some death like pallor on his face. He stared at the jury blankly, his hands clasped behind his back. Once or twice he moistened his lips with his tongue. There was no other sign of agitation. Then, from a deep-voiced court clerk came the request to the jury for their verdict. The condemning words came promptly from the foreman: "Guilty of murder in the first degree."

Holmes Clears His Throat.

"Hem," uttered Holmes, clearing his throat, but his shrunken form never trembled, his lips betrayed no quiver, his marvelous nerve had not forsaken him. There was only a tighter clasp of the hands folded behind him. Then he slowly sat down and, at the request of counsel, the jury was polled. As each name was called Holmes wrote it on the margin of a newspaper in his hand, and the fingers holding the pencil never shook. The verdict was formally recorded by the court, the motion for a new trial was made, and Holmes was taken to his cellroom and a few moments later to prison. Then the jury was thanked for its attention and in-



PITZEL.

born and sent home, the court adjourned and the most extraordinary case in the annals of American courts was ended.

Calls It Unjust.

Holmes spoke to his counsel, Rotan and Shoemaker, in the cellroom before he was taken back to the Moyamensing prison. To them he said: "I feel that this condemns me. It was an unjust trial." He would say no more than that.

Immediately after the announcement of the verdict the usual application for leave to file a motion for a new trial was made. District Attorney Graham did not oppose the motion, and Judge Arnold fixed the 18th of this month for a hearing. The principal reason urged will be lack of time for the preparation of the defense. Should a new trial be refused, an appeal will be taken to the supreme court, and argument heard at its next sitting in this city, January, 1896.

Losses of the Gloucester Fleet.

Gloucester, Mass., Nov. 2.—Statistics getting forth the losses of Gloucester fishing vessels and sailors for the year ending November 1 show that 11 vessels, with a total valuation of \$70,000, have been lost, while 90 men have perished. Last year 137 men were lost.

Corbett Will Retire.

Memphis, Tenn., Nov. 4.—James J. Corbett said Monday, while preparing for a visit to New York, that he contemplated final retirement from the ring.

DEATH OF EUGENE FIELD.

He Passes Away.

Near Chicago. Chicago, Nov. 4.—Eugene Field, poet and humorist, died about 5 o'clock Monday morning of heart disease at his residence in Buena Park. Although Mr. Field has been ill for the past three days his sudden death was totally unexpected. Mr. Field's death was first discovered by his son, who occupied the room with him. The young man heard his father groan, and putting out his



EUGENE FIELD.

hand discovered that he was dead. Mr. Field retired Sunday night at the usual hour and slept soundly until daybreak. He had not complained and the brief indisposition preceding his demise had aroused so little alarm that until Sunday he had intended to leave for Kansas City, where he was to have given a reading Monday night. The announcement created the greatest surprise and sorrow, as Mr. Field was considered to be in the prime of his life. A widow and five children survive him.

Eugene Field was the son of Roswell Martin and Frances (Reed) Field and was born in St. Louis September 2, 1859. After finishing his education in the State university of Missouri in 1881 he accepted the profession of newspaper writer, beginning with the St. Louis Journal in 1882. His next connection was with the St. Joseph (Mo.) Gazette in 1885, after which he returned to St. Louis to take an editorial position on the Times-Journal. In 1889 he was on the staff of the Kansas City Times, but left that paper in 1891 to become managing editor of the Denver Tribune. He came to Chicago August 13, 1893, to accept a position on the editorial staff of the Chicago Morning News (now the Record) and his connection with this paper continued without interruption to the day of his death. In addition to his newspaper work Mr. Field found time to perform extra labor in the literary field, and established a reputation as a graceful and clever writer of stories and verse. He was especially happy in his poems and stories of juvenile life.

Among the most popular bits of verse of which Mr. Field was the author are "Wynken, Hymynken and Nod," "Little Boy Blue," "Seven Things," and "Christmas Treasures." Mr. Field's prose writings proved him to be gifted with delicate sentiment and rare humor, which often lies very close to tears. He drew many masterly sketches of western and New England character.

Mr. Field married October 15, 1878, Miss Julia Constock, of St. Joseph, Mo., and had seven children. In June, 1893, Knox college conferred upon Mr. Field the honorary degree of A. M.

TRADE REVIEW.

Business Situation as Outlined by Leading Commercial Agencies.

New York, Nov. 2.—Bradstreet's says: "The volume of general business has been smaller this week, due in part to drought, although the widespread rains during the latter portion of the week have gone far to break the dry spell. West and northwest the commercial demand has been ready for staples, but with a falling off in volume. Larger eastern business centers feel the effect of the falling off in demand at the west. At the south general trade among jobbers at most points is only fair and in some sections mercantile collections are slower with farmers holding their crops. No marked changes are reported from the Pacific coast. Industrial lines retain the features of previous weeks. Production of iron and steel remains at the full, with more steadiness in prices than last week. The weakness which affects leather and hides is competition which checks purchases of shoes, buyers preferring to wait. Eastern advances are that dullness characterizes the shoe industry and many factories are idle. Business in wool has fallen off one-half, manufacturers having filled immediate requirements and preferring to wait until the goods market starts up before buying further."

R. G. Dun & Co., in their weekly review of trade, say:

"Failures in October thus far reported show liabilities of \$11,130,488 against \$8,295,832 last year and \$18,956,494 in 1894. Failures for the week have been 278 in the United States against 286 last year and 50 in Canada against 50 last year."

"There is a little better demand for most manufactured products, retail distribution is fairly encouraging, and the closing of many works is less significant at this season than it might be at others. It is a time of waiting and uncertainty that may naturally continue for some weeks."

Spends More Than Its Income.

Washington, Nov. 2.—The comparative statements of the government receipts and expenditures issued Friday shows the receipts during October to have been as follows: Customs, \$12,773,055; internal revenue, \$13,216,583; miscellaneous, \$912,109; total, \$26,901,747. The expenditures aggregate \$34,603,345, which leaves the deficit for the month \$8,601,677.

Burned as Heretics.

City of Mexico, Nov. 4.—Advice received here says that at Texacapa, a small town inhabited by Indians and Mestizos (half-breeds), ten persons were burned as heretics by order of the town judge, who claimed he was acting according to the will of God.

House Officers.

Washington, Nov. 2.—Republicans of the 54th congress will meet in this city on the 30th inst. to nominate a speaker, clerk, doorkeeper, sergeant at arms, postmaster and chaplain for the house.

A Town Burned.

Winona, Minn., Nov. 4.—The whole town of Walcott Mills, Rice county, with the exception of two dwellings, was wiped out by fire yesterday morning, the loss being \$850,000.

A WIND IN THE WOODS.

Fire Still Rages Fiercely in the Kankakee Region.

Two Men Seriously Burned—Farmers' Homes Destroyed—Live Stock Cremated—Losses Will Reach \$100,000.

La Porte, Ind., Nov. 4.—Fanned by the high winds of the last few days the marsh fires have again broken out in the Kankakee region, and a vast waste of ashes tells of the fury of the flames. Already two men have been seriously, if not fatally, burned. They are Henry Jonas and David Stadion. Starting at a point in Lake county in the lowlands of the Kankakee, which is now but a sluggish creek, the fire has swept with cyclonic force over an immense area, destroying everything in its path. Human efforts have been powerless, and, despite the ceaseless vigilance of men, women and children throughout the day and the night, the flames have leaped across creeks, spanned open spaces where it was hoped to stop the work of devastation and swept onward to fields which were soon desolated.

Burning for Two Weeks.

The Kankakee region, which has long been famous hunting grounds, extends across the southern portion of the counties of Lake, Jasper, Porter, La Porte and St. Joseph. The chief industry is haymaking. Along the river for miles hundreds of men find employment in harvesting the annual crop. For two weeks the fire has been persistently fought, until it has gained the mastery and the fighters retreated to places of refuge and safety. The marshes are as inflammable as powder, and people in the villages of Hanna, Davis, Wilders and other hamlets have watched with blanched faces the flames as they encroached upon their homes, fearful that with the passing of every hour the wind would change and their habitations be laid in ruins. Fortunately the fire has kept within certain boundaries and the little towns have escaped.

Losses Are Heavy.

Horses and cattle have been cremated, fences, barns and farm implements destroyed, and it is now feared that human life will pay the sacrifice of the effort to subdue the flames.

It is not possible to form any intelligent estimate of the aggregate loss, but the destruction of thousands of tons of hay and the loss of presses, buildings and live stock in the five counties will reach \$100,000.

In Wisconsin Marshes.

Eagle, Wis., Nov. 4.—The marsh fires that have burned and spread underground for six weeks past through large portions of Jefferson and Waukesha counties, destroying the fertility of hundreds of acres of valuable land for half a century to come, burning thousands of tons of hay, have reached the timberland along the river banks. Trees are falling and other property being consumed. The extent of the fires is owing to the unprecedented drought. They can only be extinguished by heavy, continuous rain or snow. They are burning deep, and appearing suddenly on the surface at distant intervals.

BREAKS THE RECORD.

Sunset Route Makes Fastest Time in the History of Railroads.

New Orleans, Nov. 4.—The fast transcontinental train of the Southern Pacific (Sunset route) broke the record on the initial trip of the season. The Sunset limited left New Orleans Thursday morning, October 31, with a full complement of passengers, arriving at Los Angeles Saturday, on the dot, traversing the distance in two days, nine hours and 45 minutes. Sun Francisco was reached on time in three days, two hours and 45 minutes, the fastest time ever made in history of railroads over an equal distance.

Crop of Tea Entered in Arkansas.

Memphis, Tenn., Nov. 4.—Saturday morning Burrell Bond, a colored planter of Crittenden county, Ark., consigned 200 pounds of tea to a local wholesale grocery firm. The tea was grown on his farm and is the first ever produced in the Memphis district and the first domestic product ever offered in this market.

Five More Executed.

London, Nov. 5.—A dispatch received in this city from Shanghai says that five of the leaders in the massacre of Christians at Ku-Cheng were executed Monday at Foo Chow. It is calculated that 100 men who were implicated in the massacre escaped scot free.

Drought Broken and Miners Get Work.

Hazleton, Pa., Nov. 5.—The recent rains having broken the drought in this region, 6,000 miners, who have been idle for weeks, resumed work Monday morning. All collieries and stripping operations in the district are at work.

Packing Season Closed.

Chicago, Nov. 2.—The summer packing season in the west has closed and the aggregate number of hogs slaughtered from March 1 to October 31 is 8,129,000, against 8,735,000 for the season of 1894.

Only One Store Left.

Arcadia, Ill., Nov. 4.—The most disastrous fire that has visited this town in its history occurred last night. There is now only one general store left in town. The flames burned over an area of four acres.

Best Part of the Town Gone.

Anchor, Ill., Nov. 5.—A fire broke out Monday afternoon in Kaler Brock's meat market, which swept away practically the entire business portion of this place.

DEATH FOR DURRANT.

Jury Finds Him Guilty of Blanche Lamont's Murder.

One Ballot Decides His Fate—Popular Approval of the Verdict—Affecting Scene Between the Condemned and His Mother.

San Francisco, Nov. 2.—Theodore Durrant murdered Blanche Lamont. That was the verdict of the jury in the case Friday afternoon. The jury was out 28 minutes. The verdict was received with a shout of applause from the auditors who packed the courtroom. The closing scene of the great trial was full of dramatic interest, pathos and excitement. The charge of Judge Murphy occupied a little over an hour in the delivery.

The Verdict.

When the court completed the charge the jury was conducted to the jury room. Suppressed excitement was



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manifested throughout the courtroom and the corridors outside during the wait which succeeded the departure of the jury.

The jury, upon reaching the jury room, selected Warren Dutton, of their number, for foreman and then balloted. The first ballot was for murder in the first degree. Word was immediately sent to the courtroom and Judge Murphy sent for the jury. As soon as Mrs. Durrant learned that the jury was coming in a look of dread came to her face, which was not reflected in that of her son.

Received with Cheers.

As Foreman Dutton pronounced the words of guilty of murder in the first degree, the large audience, which had listened in perfect silence for the words which he was to utter, rose and uttered a yell which echoed far out in the corridors. Most of those in the audience were women. The cries which went up from them fell upon the ear of the convicted murderer's mother like a blow, and it seemed to bring her first realization of the force of the words of the jury's foreman. Her face was averted as she had nerved herself for the ordeal; but, though possessed of marvelous courage, a cry burst from her lips, followed by a hysterical outburst of sobs.

Effect on Durrant.

As he listened intently to the words which sealed his fate, Durrant partially rose from his seat. The look on his



BLANCHE LAMONT, DURRANT'S VICTIM.

face was one of defiance, and it was apparent that he had it in mind to address the jury. The first cry from his mother changed his mind, if he had such intention. He sat down, turned to his mother and took her fondly in his arms. She rested her head on his shoulder and with his left arm about her slender form he held her in a tender embrace, patting her with his left hand and with his right stroking her hair.

To Be Sentenced Next Friday.

After their discharge, as the jurymen marched by Durrant and his mother, they all looked sympathetically upon the sad picture of the weeping woman upon the shoulder of her condemned son. Then Judge Murphy announced that next Friday he would pass sentence upon Durrant, and at the same time he would fix the time for beginning the trial of Durrant for the murder of Minnie Williams.

Safety of Missionaries Assured.

Constantinople, Nov. 4.—United States Minister Terrell has obtained from the porte a repetition of the instructions given to the governor of Bitlis, Armenia, to protect the American missionaries at that place and regards their safety as now assured.

Recoiter Named.

Hillsboro, Ill., Nov. 5.—Judge Shirley has appointed Pierson B. Updike receiver of the Litchfield Car and Machine company. The assets of the company are estimated at \$75,000; liabilities, \$168,000.

Japan Scourged by Cholera.

Washington, Nov. 4.—The abstract of cases and deaths from cholera in Japan, covering 13 principal cities, shows 19,556 fatalities out of 28,475 persons attacked.

MINOR NEWS ITEMS.

For the Week Ending Nov. 5.

Mrs. Catharine O'Mara, aged 108, died at Rock Island, Ill.

One-half of the village of Lancaster, Ont., was wiped out of existence by fire. A sweat-shop building in New York was burned and four persons perished in the flames.

Isidor H. Sultzbaeh, an extensive dealer in clothing in Philadelphia, failed for \$200,000.

The stable at the Dorrance mine near Wilkes Barre, Pa., was burned and 19 mules were cremated.

Seven students of the German theological seminary at Bloomfield, N. J., were expelled for hazing.

The Masonic Temple association at Duluth, Minn., made an assignment, with liabilities of \$135,000.

Advices from Cuba say that fully 5,000 men joined the insurgents from Mantanzas in the last month.

Helf & Newbourn Bros., wholesale dry goods dealers and cotton buyers at Houston, Tex., failed for \$225,000.

At Little Rock, Ark., the Dickinson Hardware company assigned with liabilities of \$150,000; assets \$250,000.

The Dickinson Hardware company, one of the largest business concerns in Little Rock, Ark., failed for \$150,000.

Charles Shabel, of Rochester, N. Y., lowered the world's bicycle road record for 200 miles from 11:58:30 to 11:46:58.

Dr. S. A. Briggs, of Ingalls, O. T., while whipping his 14-year-old son for insubordination, was fatally shot by the latter.

Ida Gaskin, aged 11 years, was assaulted and murdered in Omaha by three young men, who were under arrest.

The fifteenth annual convention of the American Federation of Labor will commence in New York city December 9.

James Haffa, of Philadelphia, committed suicide at Niagara falls by jumping from the Goat island bridge into the rapids.

Eighteen skulls and several copper implements and a copper tomahawk were taken from the Indian mounds at Galena, Ill.

Albert England, who stole \$25 worth of goods from a store at Beebe, Ark., was taken from officers by a mob and shot to death.

Clements, D. L. Wilson, N. J. Halpine, Houston Aldrege and Chief Engineer E. M. Magge were placed on the retired list of the navy.

At Holly Springs, Miss., Joseph Bishop, a prominent merchant, paid up premiums on large life insurance policies and immediately committed suicide.

Mrs. Coleman, of Galeville, Minn., celebrated her 100th birthday anniversary by being admitted to full membership in the Presbyterian church at that place.

At Columbus, O., Sunday evening Elmer Brannigan shot and killed his 17-year-old wife, who had refused to live with him longer on account of ill-treatment. The murderer escaped.

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NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES.

Keene News.
Miss Lizzie of Easton, and Miss Maggie Linn of Casnovia, will be at home for the Thanksgiving reunion.
Frank Sayles is suffering with a rose cancer. He is being treated by an Iowa expert.
C. Sayles and wife and Eunice Sherman Sundayed with their son, Orin Sayles and family.
Mrs James Tredenick did not get back from Lake Odessa in time to join the cors. in getting their photos taken.
Edna Abbott and Henry Curby were united in marriage at Saranac last week by the Rev Davenport.
And still the wedding bells will ring.
PANSIE.
Jay Pinckney grinds feed and has a cob crusher, opposite McQueen's barn.
Pratt Lake Pebbles.
Miss Eunice Fletcher spent Sunday at home.
A little girl applied for board at John Wilson's Oct. 23d. Weight 12 1/2 lbs.
Mrs M. C. Walker and daughter, Leona, are spending a few days at A. M. Andrews'.
Cyrus Story has been sick the past few days, but is reported better.
P. D. Sneathen lost a good horse last week. His daughter, Luella, being near the horse when it fell, received a severe injury on her head.
Mrs Abraham Keller and family move on their farm in Campbell this week.
The literary program of the Epworth League was held last Sunday eve. A large crowd being present, some from Clarksville and Lowell.
GWEN.
The man that wants the best oversight in the market should not buy until he sees one of the Staley make, sold only by A. L. Coons.
Whitneyville Items.
The Ladies Aid Society will meet with Mrs M. A. Thomas Thursday, Nov. 7.
Miss Vernie Wood spent last week in Lowell.
Mrs S. Sargent spent Sunday and Monday with her parents in Parmelee.
Mrs Whitmaa of Burr Oak is the guest of her daughter, Mrs Banks Kline.
Mrs W. Streeter and Mrs F. J. Streeter were the guest of the former's daughter, Mrs L. C. Rathbun, of Caledonia, Thursday.
C. A. Wood and Mrs H. B. Fuller are members among the sick this week.
Arthur Peel, who has been spending the summer in Plainfield, returned home Thursday evening.
Mr and Mrs H. R. Dean were in Gd. Rapids Saturday.
Barber & Crow pay the best prices for fancy butter and fresh eggs.
Alto Dashes.
Geo. McKee transacted business in Grand Rapids Friday.
Mrs Mark Warner, who has been very ill, is improving slowly.

Miss Cora Baker, of Labarge, visited at Geo. McKee's, last week.
S. E. Keeler is plastering his house.
Percy Boulard, who has been very sick with typhoid fever, is able to be out again.
The Grange Council was held at Alto, Saturday.
Mr and Mrs Lewis Warner returned last week from an extended visit in the southern part of the state.
The story of B. F. Palmer being held up is believed by all since the report of the Alaska hold up.
The population of Alto was enlarged by the arrival of two families, Saturday.
Cedar Fence posts, peeled, from 7c. up at W. J. Ecker & Son's.
Morse Lake Ripples.
Mr and Mrs John Freyermuth have just returned from a visit at Charlotte, Miss Horn, a sister of Mrs Freyermuth, and Mrs Lucy McConnell, a sister of Mr Freyermuth, with her two children, came with them.
Merriman school will begin its winter term next Monday, with Miss Leona McConnell, of Alaska, for teacher.
Miss Alice Nobles has just returned from a long visit at Grand Rapids.
There was a very good attendance at the Lowell Dist. Council last Saturday. Messrs Peterson and Campau, of Whitneyville Grange, were present and took part in the discussion.
Wm. Woodman and wife, of Keene Grange came over to the Council and stayed at Wesley Johnson's until Sunday noon.
Some low-lived miscreant stole a valuable whip out of C. L. Blakeslee's buggy last Sunday evening. We wonder if the boys who do this sort of thing ever stop to consider how low they sink in the estimation of all fair minded people. Boys! if you must steal don't be sneaks. Tackle a West Michigan express, or a Grand Rapids bank, or something of that sort that requires bravery and will probably give you steady employment and wide reputation.
They give perfect satisfaction. The Banner Oil Heater, at R. Quick & Son's.
Logan.
Henry and Andrew Blough have returned from their visit with friends in Indiana.
School commenced in this district, Monday, Lee Osborn as teacher. Mr Osborn has had excellent success during the past year and a half he has been teaching here and we bespeak for him a successful winter.
Mrs Ann Ford has gone to Lowell to spend the winter with her daughter.
Ye scribe had the pleasure of meeting eleven of the sister cors. and one solitary brother cor. What would editors do without the women. Man where art thou. We enjoyed the meeting but would have enjoyed it more had there been more present.
Frank Waterman, of Grand Rapids, was in this place last week looking after the interests of his farm.
Ozi Pardee and other have gone north on a hunting excursion.
7 lbs. R. oats for 25c at Barber & Crow's.
Vergennes Visitor.
Miss Emma Ritter, of Barry Co., has been a recent guest of her sister, Mrs Hiram Taylor.
Mrs Maggie Scott and daughter, Mary and grandson, Clayton Scott, all of Grattan, are visiting Mrs Mary Kerr, this week.
Mr and Mrs Will Crakes and children, of Freeport, are visiting his brother, John Crakes and family.
Rev. James Westbrook and family, of Bowne, visited his sister, Mrs Mary Kerr last week.

Thirteen of the cors. met last Saturday and had their pictures taken and had a jolly good time. Those that were not there missed a good deal and we will say to them, we saw Mr Wilson today, Monday, and he thinks he can take your pictures and arrange them around the group so they will look all right. We hope and trust that all were that absent Saturday will go and attend to it right away for we are all anxious to get the pictures.
The annual meeting of the Vergennes Detective Association was held at their headquarters, Monday evening, Nov. 4th, and the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:
President—D. S. Blanding.
V. Pres.—Lute Bailey.
Treas.—Hiram Frazer.
Secy.—P. W. McPherson.
Telegraph receiver—G. W. Crosby.
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Parroll Points.
Working on the road seems to be the order of the day this fine weather.
Mr and Mrs J. Trask of Howard spent Sunday with Mr. A. S. Holmes.
Mrs Jno. Gil's and little daughter of Lowell visited Grandma Giles Sunday.
Glad to hear Willie Murphy is improving once more.
Mrs P. Bresnahan is quite sick with malaria fever. Her many friends hope for her speedy recovery.
The marriage banns were published the second time Sunday for Miss Maud Heffron and Richard Bowles.
We think the "Devil" got loose in the JOURNAL office Halloween the way some of the items read.
Miss Mollie Doyle gave a pleasant party to her school friends Wednesday evening. It being her sixteenth birthday. She received a lovely present from her father in Arkansas, and a number of other gifts from home friends. Dancing and a good time in general. Mollie is a model young lady, loved by all who know her.
Dr Martin's patients here are glad to learn he will not go far away and that he will attend to patients here.
South Boston.
Mrs E. F. Hughson and Mrs N. F. Gould are sick, and none but relatives were allowed to see them on Sunday, but we are glad to report them a very little better.
Miss Edna Vickey commenced a five months term of school in Campbell on Monday.
The old veterans of the 21st Mich. Infantry hold a reunion at Sweet's Hotel in Grand Rapids, on the 7th inst.
The number of dry wells and cisterns increases quite fast.
Mrs Rykert was quite seriously hurt by the falling of a sick horse. The horse died.
Mr and Mrs Wm. Woodman were here on Saturday.
Miss Maud Keller is reported sick.
Mark Sneathen started for Grand Rapids on his wheel last week and when within about ten miles it became impaired and he walked that distance.
The bouquet which Mrs George Thurlby furnished the M. E. Church with last Sunday did not show the effects of dry weather in any perceptible manner.

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Messrs P. C. Freeman and G. F. Cilley have invested quite heavily in a fine rambouillet ram.
Boston township Sunday school convention elected the following officers for the ensuing year. President, Rev. E. W. Davis, of Chandler, Vice Pres., Hiram Boice, Treas., Allen Cobb, Secy., David H. English.
The U. S. Gov't Reports show Royal Baking Powder superior to all others.
CASCADE.
Mrs Rebecca Merrill and sister-in-law, Mrs Mary Tillyer, left Oct. 28th for Adrian, to visit the former's sister, Mrs C. Cook, who has been very sick several months.
Mr and Mrs Frank Bates attended the golden wedding of Mrs Bates' parents in Rochester, Mich., recently. Mrs Bates remained for a few days visit.
The many friends and associates of Isaac Noble regret very much his departure from Cascade. He has gone to the Valley City, where he has a lucrative position in the Eagle Hotel. The best wishes of a host of friends, both young and old, go with him.
Miss C. E. Barber, while passing through this locality enroute from San Francisco, Cal., to New York city, on her bicycle, spent Tuesday night with Mr and Mrs Steven Gale. Miss Barber is a representative of the San Francisco Democrat.
Miss Ethel Finley has a new piano.
Miss Minnie Nippres has been petting a felon on her thumb the past two or three weeks.
Mrs Abram Cook is entertaining a sister, Mrs Henshaw, of Chicago and a niece, Miss Patterson, from Oklahoma.
Mrs Bert Fox returned Thursday from Potoskey.
Mr and Mrs Hugh Brown and Miss Linna Cook attended the wedding of Will Brown and Mattie Patterson in Gd. Rapids Oct. 30th.
Proceeds from the Ladies Apron Sale and Supper Oct. 29th amounted to \$18 after all expenses were paid.
Geo. Brown, of Cleveland, Ohio, attended the wedding of his brother Will.
W. S. Merrill received a telegram Sunday p. m., announcing the death of his aunt, Mrs Cook, of Adrian.
Grown on the farm of B. D. Wisner, this year, a Chinese radish that measured 20 inches around and weighed 8 lbs.

a small piece was broken off while lifting it from the ground; also a pumpkin weighing 32 lbs, planted June 14th.
Dessie D. Watterson was born Dec. 17th, 1882, and died at the home of her parents, Mr and Mrs W. J. Watterson, Nov. 3d, 1898. Dessie was taken sick while at school Friday, Oct. 25th, but did not go home until school closed for the day. She rapidly grew worse and Dr Hamilton was called, who pronounced it inflammatory rheumatism. Dr Peckham, of Caledonia, being called as counsel later on, but all that medical aid and kind parents could do was in vain, rheumatism and congestion of the lungs set in Sunday and her sufferings, which were pitiful to witness, were ended in death Sunday eve., at a little past 8 o'clock. Dessie was a bright, promising girl nearly thirteen years of age. She leaves a father and mother, one sister and four brothers. The stricken parents have the heartfelt sympathy of all. Death took from them another daughter, Lettie, who was nearly nine years old, who died with the same disease in 1884. But parents, sister, brothers, teacher, schoolmates and friends must look for the last time today on the face of she, whom they so dearly loved, as she will be laid at rest this (Tues.) afternoon.
In Memory of Dessie Watterson.
She has passed away from pain and sorrow, From tolls and cares that were planned for the morrow, From home and relatives, schoolmates and friends,
Her spirit is taken by the angel God sends, Her illness was short, her troubles were few, The hands that cared for her so loving and true, It seems that death must be the lot Of every soul, whether willing or not.
Her place is vacant. Oh! Why should it be That she should be taken so young and so free, While the enjoyments of life were just at hand, And carried away to that heavenly land?
But we know it is well when the tired are sleeping,
Yes we bend o'er the sleeper with passionate weeping,
Though after such pain, such slumber is sweet, We must think of the future and the time to meet.
Our Dessie has gone to a land on high, No more to suffer, no more to die, May we, dear Father, when life is o'er, Meet her in glory forever more.
By her teacher, E. B. BREER.

Cheap Rates to Cotton States and International Exposition at Atlanta, Ga.
The Detroit, Grand Haven & Milwaukee Ry. are now offering cheap rates to Atlanta, Ga. for the Great Cotton State and International Exposition. They have two classes of rates, one of which is good for twenty days and the other rate good to come back until Jan'y 7th, 1899. They have some half dozen different routes over which they can ticket, either via Detroit, Toledo & Cincinnati or Detroit, Toledo & Columbus.
The rate from Lowell is \$35.70 for twenty day tickets and \$35.00 for tickets good to come back until the 7th of January.
For information apply to all agents of this company or send for circular to Ben Fletcher, Trav. Pass. Agent, Detroit.
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On account of the Cotton States and International Exposition, the D. L. & N. Ry. is selling tickets at low rates for the round trip. Rates from Lowell are as follows: For tickets good twenty days \$35.70 and good until Jan'y 7th \$35.00. Ask agents for full information.
GEO. DEHAVEN, G. P. A.

FARMERS' WANTS.
For Sale, Exchange, and all matters interesting farmers will be run in this column five lines or less on for 15 cts; additional lines 3 cts. (4 cent a word.)
For Sale—Farm of 140 acres, situated in Ottawa Co., 2 miles from Grand Rapids, well watered, good buildings, 30 acres timber. Terms easy. Enquire at this office or of W. B. Armstrong, Fallsburg, Mich.
Have a good house and lot in the city of Freeport, will exchange for 40 acres of land. Call on F. Schwader, Alto, Mich.
Some imported Victoria pigs for sale. Enquire of Wm. Cheatham.
For Wagons and sleighs call on JOHN MILLS.
Money to Loan, at the LOWELL STATE BANK.
IF YOU have a new milch cow to sell, drop a card to F. Schwader, Alto, Mich. He buys live stock of all kinds.
ALTO OPENS the potato market at 15 to 30c. per bu. Schwader will buy them at highest market price.
We Want Fancy Butter and Eggs, for which we will pay cash at the BARBER & CRAW.
Ax grinding and saw gumming at G. W. Rouses machine shop.
Lumber, Lath, Shingles and wooden saw-troughs at W. J. Ecker & Son's.
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