

MINERS PERISH.

Awful Result of Exploding Gas in a Pennsylvania Colliery.

Thirteen Workmen Are Killed—Narrow Escape of Four Others—Twelve Bodies of the Victims Are Rescued.

Dubois, Pa., March 24.—The first great mining disaster in this neighborhood in all of the 15 years since mining became an industry of magnitude occurred at 9:20 o'clock Monday morning at the Berwind-White shaft, just east of town. It came in the form of an explosion of mine gas and resulted in the death of 13 men, all of Dubois. The names of the dead are as follows:

The Victims.

James Graham, Sr., James Graham, Jr., who was working with his father, John Monroe, George Postlethwaite, Jesse Postlethwaite, Henry Harvey, George Harvey, Harry Smith, Lindsey F. Bradley, Andrew Mowak, David Bell, Reuben Noble, George Ainsley.

All of the dead leave families except James Graham, Jr. As soon as the explosion occurred and before the extent of the disaster was known, messengers were sent into town to summon all of the physicians who could be found.

Fellow Miners to the Rescue.

When the news reached the Rochester mines, which are three miles from the shaft, the men working there rightly divined that the services of good, practical men would be wanted under the ground, and about 40 at once came out and started to the shaft. Conveyances were found for some and others went as far as they could in the street cars and walked the remainder of the way. Superintendent Reed, of the Rochester mines, followed, and as soon as he arrived at the shaft went below with a cage full of his own men. The air was so bad below that the men, who went down in gangs of about ten, could not stay long at a time, but the opening seemed to clear up later on, and better progress in getting at the extent of the disaster was made.

Twelve Bodies Recovered.

Twelve of the 13 bodies have been recovered from the shaft. It is not known whether the remaining body is that of Bell or Noble, as the body of the last victim brought to the surface is mutilated beyond recognition.

Horror in Another Mine.

Dubois, Pa., March 24.—Fire broke out in the Adrian mine No. 1, at Delaney, Jefferson county, Monday morning. Superintendent W. Robinson and five men entered to locate the fire. They were overcome with gas, and rendered unconscious. A rescuing party was organized and Charles Lawrence and Isaac Jones were found dead. The others will recover. The mine is owned by the Rochester and Pittsburgh Coal and Iron company.

INDIANS BURNED TO DEATH.

Fatal Termination of a Carousal at Bayfield, Wis.

Bayfield, Wis., March 23.—Julia Bird, an old squaw and desperate character in this city, her daughter Charlotte, an infant daughter of Charlotte, and O. Biquette, an Indian from the Bad River reservation, were burned to death at two o'clock Sunday morning in a dwelling house in the outskirts of the town. All were intoxicated the night before, and were suffocated and burned by the accidental igniting of the dwelling.

CALL TO ARMS.

The Khalifa Proclaims Holy War Against Egypt.

London, March 21.—A dispatch to the Globe from Cairo says that the khalifa has proclaimed jihad (holy war) against Egypt and has called all the dervishes capable of bearing arms to enroll under his banners.

The dispatch adds that it is said that Osman Digna is to leave Kassala and join the dervishes now mustering at Dongola.

A Cruel Murder.

Milwaukee, March 21.—John Holzinger's family troubles were ended last night by an awful crime. He shot and killed his aged mother-in-law, Mrs. Catherine Miller, and fatally wounded his young wife as she sought to escape from his murderous rage. Holzinger was a worthless fellow, whose wife was applying for a divorce. The couple were living apart. He is in jail.

Cubans Were the Winners.

Key West, Fla., March 21.—It is announced that the battle fought a few days ago in Pinar del Rio, Cuba, which the dispatches described as a Spanish victory, was in reality a lamentable defeat for the forces of Gen. Weyler. The insurgents have burned the villages of Cabanas, Nombre de Dios, Baja and San Cayetano.

Killed Wife and Self.

Omaha, Neb., March 23.—John Hartman killed his wife and committed suicide Saturday evening. Their two children, Walter, aged five, and a girl Clara, aged seven, were away from home. No cause is known.

Sanitarium in Ashes.

Oshkosh, Wis., March 23.—Maple Lodge sanitarium, situated just north of the city, was destroyed by fire Sunday. Loss, \$25,000; insurance, \$11,000. It was the property of Drs. Oviatt and Mixer.

A Woman's Vengeance.

Lancaster, Pa., March 23.—Bertha McConnell, aged 20, fatally shot Harry Thompson at a hotel in this city because he had deceived her, and then shot herself fatally.

Lynched by a Mob.

Huntsville, Tenn., March 23.—A mob took William Murphy from the jail here and strung him up to a tree for the murder of William Knowlin, a miner.

PEACHES WILL BE PLENTIFUL.

Michigan Growers Say Their Crop Will Break the Record.

Benton Harbor, March 23.—Investigation shows that the prospects for a large crop of peaches and small fruit trees throughout the Michigan fruit belt this season were never better. The trees have passed through the winter in perfect condition, the temperature at no time during the winter dropping lower than 10 degrees below zero. There have been no warm spells to start the buds, and a cold snap now would do no harm. Growers say that if peaches get through the month of April safely the crop will be the largest on record. Many new orchards will come into bearing this season and the peach acreage will probably be larger than ever before. The success of the fruit growers in securing more favorable freight rates to points east of Buffalo and Pittsburgh will make a material difference in their profits, as the eastern market will be the outlet for the surplus crop.

Grand Rapids, March 21.—The prospects for a heavy peach crop in western Michigan were never more favorable than this year. The trees have come through the winter in perfect condition, the weather having been steady and cold throughout and at no time severe. Unless late frosts injure the buds, the crop will be a record breaker.

STATE LEADS IN DIVORCES.

Wayne County Alone Averages One to Every Six Marriages.

Detroit, March 24.—Rev. J. M. Patterson preached in the Westminster Presbyterian church Sunday night on divorces. From 1867 to 1888, he said, Michigan had granted one divorce to every 12 marriages, but Wayne county had made a much more remarkable record. Chicago and San Francisco weren't in it with Detroit. From January 1 to March 18, the Wayne circuit court has granted 67 divorces, and the county clerk had issued 422 marriage licenses. This was an average of one divorce to six marriages. In San Francisco the average was one to seven, and in Cook county, one to 13, one to 1,428 in Norway, and one to 9,932 in Ireland. Mr. Patterson found that some of the reasons were prevalence of "free love" ideas, deception before marriage, hasty and clandestine marriages and the growing independence of women; but the supreme reason, in his estimation, were the ease with which divorces could be secured, and the permission to marry after being divorced.

A SAD AFFAIR.

Mrs. John Hunt Drops Dead on Hearing of Her Son's Fate.

Reed City, March 20.—Just as the afternoon trains were coming in recently the Grand Rapids & Indiana train, attached to a switch engine, backed into a crowd of people, killing Bert E. Hunt, aged 35, and fatally injuring Clem A. Lillie.

Coopersville, March 21.—A sudden death is recorded here as the result of that horrible railroad accident at Reed City. The parents of Bert Hunt, Mr. and Mrs. John Hunt, live a few miles northeast of the village. When they were informed of Bert's death, by a telegraph message, delivered at their residence, Mrs. Hunt, who had been in poor health for some time, gave a frantic scream, dropped to the floor and died before medical aid could reach her.

Produce Dealers Organize.

Jackson, March 20.—A meeting of representatives from 40 produce firms in Michigan, Indiana and Ohio organized in this city the Tri-State Butter, Egg and Poultry Shippers' association. It is proposed to oppose the straw-board and filler combine by uniting with other associations of the kind in southern Ohio, Indiana and Iowa, and also to obtain carload classification upon butter, eggs and poultry, if possible, from the railroads. Representatives of package firms and railroads were barred from the meeting.

A Peculiar Will.

Benton Harbor, March 20.—John Franz, who died a few days ago, leaving an estate valued at \$20,000, left a will which has been offered for probate, in which he bequeathed to his widow, providing she did not marry again, the household goods, valued at less than \$500; also the interest on \$500. The remainder of his estate was left to his five children. They have been married for over 30 years.

Charged with Highway Robbery.

Niles, March 24.—Clifford Inman, of New Carlisle, Ind., and Tom Henwood, of Dowagiac, were arrested here on a charge of highway robbery last Saturday at Dowagiac. Inman, it is charged, waylaid George Pitcher, an invalid, knocked him down and robbed him of \$50, part of which he is said to have given to Henwood. The latter gave up some money and was released, when Inman was taken to Dowagiac for trial.

Ferry Not Guilty of Fraud.

Detroit, March 24.—George W. Perry, of North Branch, has been on trial in the United States district court here the last four days, charged with using the mails to defraud a number of bicycle concerns in Chicago, New York, Boston, Buffalo and other cities. The jury was out only three-quarters of an hour, when it brought in a verdict of not guilty.

Judge Long's Pension Case.

Washington, D. C., March 24.—Chief Justice Fuller announced Monday that the pension case of Judge Long, which has once been argued, had been restored to the docket for argument before the full bench of the supreme court, and that it would be heard on the second Monday of the next term.

FROM WASHINGTON.

Summary of the Daily Proceedings in Congress.

Important Measures Under Consideration in the Senate and House—Bills and Resolutions Passed.

Washington, March 18.—In the senate yesterday Senator Morgan (Ala.) occupied almost the entire session, speaking in support of the Cuban resolutions. Senator Pugh (Ala.) spoke in favor of the free coinage of silver.

Washington, March 19.—During the consideration in the senate yesterday of a resolution to open the Uncompahgre reservation in Utah Secretary Hoke Smith was severely criticized and Senator Vest said there was no disposition on the part of the administration not to treat the people of the west fairly, and if the president would hunt fewer ducks in North Carolina and silver democrats in Kentucky it would be better for the country.

Washington, March 20.—The senate yesterday passed the house bill for the construction of a breakwater at the entrance to Marquette (Mich.) harbor. Bills were favorably reported to admit New Mexico to statehood and for a preliminary survey and estimate of cost for a ship canal from lower Lake Michigan to the Wabash river. A bill was introduced providing for a head tax of ten dollars on each immigrant coming to the United States in vessels not belonging to the United States. The Cuban question was discussed.

Washington, March 21.—Senator Morgan presented a new phase of the Cuban question to the senate yesterday by offering a resolution declaring that a state of war exists in Cuba and recognizing the insurgents as belligerents. The bill for the admission of Arizona as a state of the union was reported favorably, as was also a bill providing for the election of senators by a direct vote of the people. The Cuban resolutions were further discussed.

Washington, March 24.—In the senate yesterday, on motion of Mr. Sherman, the Cuban resolutions were re-committed to the conference committee. Mr. Mills (Tex.) offered a resolution directing the president to request Spain to allow Cuba to establish a local government, and in case of refusal that the United States take possession of and hold the same till the people of Cuba can organize a government. A bill was introduced to increase the pensions of every Mexican war veteran in destitute circumstances from \$8 to \$12 a month.

THE HOUSE.

Bills Introduced and Petitions and Resolutions Presented.

Washington, March 18.—The bill to amend the administrative tariff act of 1890 was passed in the house yesterday. A bill was favorably reported authorizing the transmission in the mails, with one-cent stamps, of written messages on private mailing cards, such cards to be sent openly in the mails, of no larger size than the ordinary postal card. An adverse report was made on the bill to change to the 4th of March the time for the convening of congress. A favorable report was made on the bill providing an educational test for the admission of immigrants.

Washington, March 19.—In the house yesterday the consideration of the resolutions censuring Mr. Bayard for speeches delivered by him in England occupied the time and several speeches were made for and against the resolutions.

Washington, March 20.—The resolutions to censure Ambassador Bayard were further discussed in the house yesterday. The speakers were Messrs. Tucker (dem., Va.) and Cooper (dem., Fla.) against the resolutions of censure, and Messrs. Taft and Wilson (rep., O.), Pearson (rep., N. C.), McCall and Barrett (rep., Mass.) in favor of them.

Washington, March 21.—In the house yesterday resolutions were adopted by a vote of 180 to 71 censuring Thomas F. Bayard, ambassador to the court of St. James, for utterances delivered in an address to the Boston (England) grammar school and in an address before the Edinburgh (Scotland) Philosophical institution last fall. (The resolutions are given in full elsewhere.) A bill was introduced to prevent the carrying of obscene literature and articles for indecent and immoral use from one state or territory to another. A resolution was adopted discharging all members of Louisiana, and declaring the seat vacant.

Washington, March 24.—The house spent most of yesterday considering the Curtis bill to abolish the death penalty in all cases where it is prescribed in the federal statute (60 in number), save in cases of murder and rape. An amendment was agreed to, making treason punishable by death. The bill introduced by Mr. Corliss (Mich.), providing for the election of senators by a direct vote of the people, was reported favorably.

Favors Peace.

London, March 23.—Lord Salisbury, in a reply to the memorial of the Peace society in favor of Anglo-American arbitration of the Venezuelan question, said that negotiations for arbitration of the dispute had been opened with the United States.

Must Testify or Go to Jail.

Washington, March 24.—The supreme court of the United States has decided that witnesses must testify in interstate commerce cases, or go to jail for contempt of court.

INNER MAN.

Edison Succeeds in Viewing Him with the Naked Eye.

New York, March 23.—Mr. Edison last Friday succeeded in penetrating the human body with the naked eye, according to the New York Journal. He looked into the heart and lungs, and examined the arteries, the blood vessels and muscles of one of his assistants. Mr. Edison has, perhaps, reached the crowning glory of his life—he has opened the door which at once revolutionizes and incalculably widens the horizon of the medical world.

The great inventor has laid bare to the eye of the physician and the surgeon every organ and tissue and bone of the human body. The simplest mind can grasp what this means in the diagnosis, the treatment and the actual observation of the progress of internal diseases. It is very simple to Mr. Edison. With the powerful cathode light behind his patient, he gazes through a screen of prepared chemicals and sees every organ of the body as plainly as he sees the dishes on his dinner table.

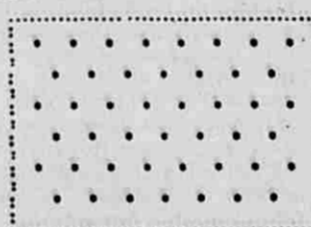
Mr. Edison is now completing a fluorescent screen eight feet high, which will enable him to see these things from the top of one's head to the sole of his feet. The fluorescence substance used by Mr. Edison, and declared by him to be the most powerful thing of the kind discovered so far, is tungstate of calcium—in other words, tungstate of lime.

THE NEW FLAG.

Official Order Relative to Arrangement of the Stars.

Chicago, March 23.—An official order has been received at army headquarters in Chicago directing how the stars in the field of the national flag shall be arranged after July 4, 1896. The order and the placing of the stars in the union are as follows:

War Department, Washington, March 17.—The field or union of the national flag in use in the army will on and after July 4, 1896, consist of 48 stars, in six rows, the first, third and fifth rows to have eight stars, and the second, fourth and sixth rows seven stars each, in a blue field, arranged as follows:



DANIEL S. LAMONT, Secretary of War. By command of Maj. Gen. Miles: GEORGE D. RUGGLES, Adjutant General.

PLEAD "NOT GUILTY."

Jackson and Walling Will Be Given Separate Trials.

Newport, Ky., March 24.—Jackson and Walling were brought before Judge Helm Monday morning that they might plead to the indictment charging them with the murder of Pearl Bryan. Col. George Washington, Richard Shepard and Mrs. Andrews, of Hamilton, O., represented Walling, and J. L. Crawford represented Jackson. A sister and brother of Walling were present. When the prisoners were arraigned they pleaded "not guilty." Upon the demand of their attorneys an order was entered that the cases be tried separately. Jackson's will be placed on trial first, and April 7 was fixed as the date for his hearing. The prisoners were then taken to their cells.

WOMEN OF GREAT AGE DIE.

Mary Ann Mosely, 111, and Elizabeth Paulson, 104 Years Old.

Columbia, Mo., March 21.—Mrs. Mary Ann Mosely, the oldest woman in Boone county, died in Columbia Friday, at the age of 111 years.

Lansing, Ia., March 21.—Mrs. Elizabeth Paulson, of Center township, who for four years has borne the distinction of being the oldest inhabitant of this county, has just died. She was born in Norway and was within a few months of being 104 years old.

To Limit Use of the Flag.

Milwaukee, March 21.—The members of the Wisconsin National Guard association now in session in this city passed a resolution calling on the Wisconsin members in congress to secure the passage of a law forbidding, under heavy penalty, the use of the American flag for advertising or for any purpose other than that of being carried in a military procession. The resolution is sweeping in its terms, one clause forbidding the use of the flag for "political or partisan purposes."

Destructive Fire at Joliet, Ill.

Joliet, Ill., March 24.—The Joliet mill of the Consolidated Steel and Wire company was destroyed by fire Monday morning. The nail, barb, drawing and storeroom departments are a total loss. The fire was started by friction of a shaft. The total loss is \$150,000, and is covered with insurance. This is the second fire at this mill within a year. The company will rebuild at once.

Will Meet at St. Paul.

St. Paul, Minn., March 23.—The democratic state central committee, through its chairman, Thomas J. McDermott, has issued a call for a state convention to be held here June 11, to name 18 delegates to the national democratic convention at Chicago. The state convention will consist of 829 delegates.

Double Tragedy.

Noblesville, Ind., March 24.—James McCoy shot and killed his brother Henry yesterday at their home near here, and then killed himself. No cause was known for the deed.

Arbor Day in Wisconsin.

Madison, Wis., March 23.—Gov. Upham has issued a proclamation setting aside Friday, May 1, as Arbor day.

Work on Hennepin Canal to Stop.

Princeton, Ill., March 21.—The government engineers in charge of the construction of the Hennepin canal announce that work will be suspended this spring, owing to the fact that the appropriation has been nearly exhausted.

Signed by Gov. Morton.

Albany, N. Y., March 24.—Gov. Morton Monday morning signed the Raines liquor tax bill. The bill, which was violently opposed by the liquor interests, is designed to bring about a radical reform of the excise laws.

Mrs. Jennie R. Kimball Dead.

St. Paul, Minn., March 24.—Mrs. Jennie R. Kimball, of Philadelphia, the well-known opera manager, died Monday morning in a private car at the Union depot in this city.

Joins Her Husband in Death.

Wixon, March 24.—Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo Sibley were taken ill a few days ago. They believed they would die about the same time and be buried in the same grave. Shortly after the husband's demise the widow said she would join him soon. She died while the funeral services were going on.

Family Burns with Their Home.

Cincinnati, O., March 24.—A special to the Post Monday morning from Montgomery, W. Va., says that William Covey, wife and child were burned to death Sunday night on Paint creek, several miles east of that place. The report says that tramps set fire to the house for the purpose of robbery.

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Insurance horses burned.

Saginaw, March 21.—A large barn in which F. E. Tallmadge had 18 valuable horses stabled was destroyed by fire Friday night, and all of the horses suffocated; also a high-priced Jersey cow. Among the horses burned were Pontoon (2:15), a half brother to Alix; June Monk (2:24), and several other good ones. Tallmadge's loss is \$7,000, with \$2,000 insurance.

Desecration of a Church.

Deperre, March 24.—Unknown parties entered the M. E. church Sunday night and tore great rents in the carpet, damaged one of the upholstered pulpit chairs, tore bunches of leaves from the Bible, and soaked a lot of hymn books with kerosene. There is no clew to the perpetrators and no motive can be ascribed for the outrage.

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NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES.

Down the River.
School will begin in district No. 2, April 6.
Mrs Hastings is visiting her daughter, Mrs Ernest Godfrey in Alto.
Frank Alger and wife of Vergennes spent Sunday at Fred Alger's.
R. Woodcock and wife made a business trip to Grand Rapids Tuesday.
Mr Henning's and family of Stanton now occupy Mr Train's place.
Good goods at low prices at Jno. Giles & Co.

East Lowell.
Mrs Aldrich and children, of Grand Rapids are visiting her parents, Mr and Mrs Iva Buck.
They were seventy instead of 80 at the anniversary of Mr and Mrs Godfrey.
A darling baby brightens the home of Mr and Mrs H. Vanderwall.
Athletic Entertainment at South Boston Grange Hall, Wednesday, April 1st, 10c and 20c.
Isaac Filkins visited his sister and other friends last week.
S. Y. Cary, who has been having a serious time with his eye, is a little better.
The grip is not at all partial.
E. B. Boylan has an up to date steel range; call and see it.

Chapel.
The winter seems to be waning into spring, for high winds and mud are present with us, the usual accompaniment of March weather.
A Normal Bible Class has been organized at the Congregational church, with Miss Viola Rexford as teacher.
A company of young people surprised Miss Georgia Turner last week and had an excellent time.
Mr and Mrs Josiah Swan are spending a few weeks with their son in Keene, helping in the sugar making and visiting at the same time.
The Ladies of this place surprised Mrs Frank Canfield and sewed a nice lot of carpet rags for her and did some visiting while at work. All enjoyed it very much, Mrs Canfield included.
Mrs Emory Smith is at Ionia with her parents at present.

All persons indebted to the firm of E. Quick & Son will please call at office of King Milling Co. and settle their accounts.
Fallsburg Facts.
Frank Raymond has been visiting friends in Coral.
N. Bayles visited his uncles, Hall and Richmond, of South Lowell last week.
Archie Sherwood visited his sister, Mrs Will Bailey, at Grand Rapids a few days this week.
Mrs J. C. Richmond visited her sister, Mrs Denny last week.
Rev. Armstrong drove to Grand Rapids Monday.
Mrs D. M. Goodsell, daughter Cora, and sons, Floyd and Ray, spent a few days last week with Willie Rexford and wife.
Mrs Wm. Rexford and Mrs Willie Rexford visited Mrs Eliza Condon in Otisow Wednesday.
Ira Pottruff has been quite sick.
Mr Watson is home again. He has been in Grand Rapids all winter.

Heavy invoices arriving daily at Jno. Giles & Co.
Alto.
Those reported on the sick list last week are improving.
Mrs Hastings, of West Lowell, is visiting her daughter, Mrs Ernest Godfrey.
At the Republican caucus Friday, the following ticket was put up: Supervisor, Jas. H. Andrews; Treas., Wm. Condon; Clerk, Don A. Mann.
Mrs Dell Condon visited her sister, Mrs House, near Greenville last week.
Fred Condon is hauling gravel to cover their lot in the cemetery.
Mrs Orrin Trumbull returned home Saturday with her daughter and husband, Mr and Mrs Geo. Elaby.
Delegates from Vergennes to the Republican Convention to meet at Grand Rapids April 22d, are P. W. McPherson, J. H. Andrews and Otis White.
Albert Cusser and wife, of Orleans, visited his aunt, Mrs Perry Purdy, one night last week.
Dell Condon sold a horse to A. Cusser last week for \$95.
Try the Journal for advertising and you will never regret it. Job work a specialty.

Vergennes Visitor.
The annual meeting of the Vergennes W. C. T. U. will be held at the home of Mrs E. L. Bennett, Thursday afternoon, April 2nd. Tea will be served; a full attendance is desired.

Frank Crakes and daughter, of near Hastings, are visiting his brother John Crakes, and family.
Silas Collier met with quite a misfortune a short time ago. He was getting a load of saw dust at the mill and in some way the wagon wheel ran over his ankle hurting him quite badly. He can get around with the aid of a cane.
Mrs S. Lee visited her sister, Mrs A. Krum in Lowell last week.
Miss Adah Pegler of Grand Rapids is visiting her gran (mother, Mrs S. Lee and other friends.
Mrs L. J. Lee daughter Cora, and son George drove to Grand Rapids one day last week.
Eugene Lee and family were recent guests of Mr and Mrs L. A. Carter of Down the River.
Mrs W. L. Merriman is suffering with the grip.
Bergin's is the place to get teas and coffees.

Parnell Points.
The sick are on the gain.
John Drew is home from Grand Rapids Business College.
Mrs James White, of Grand Rapids, is visiting her sister, Mrs John Jake-way and other friends.
The Rev Mother and Mother Superior visited the Sisters over Sunday.
Mrs Terry Corrigan is very sick.
David Welch is home from the Soldiers Home.
John Miller, with his cousin, Eliza Murphy, of Grand Rapids, visited her father, J. Murphy and family last week.
One of our young men was chased by two ghosts Sunday night. All are alive.
The Sugar Social was a success. Proceeds \$9.45 for the Grattan S. S.
The notices are up for the board of School Inspectors to meet the 30th, at 10 a. m., to consolidate Dist. No. 2 and 5. Just five months ago they had this same board meet twice to consolidate the other way. They had a fine argument in favor of their fine school and they must have a good opinion of this board when they will go back on their own argument.

When you want some elegant frames for pictures, go to J. B. Yeiter for them.
South Boston.
Little Beulah Parsons, daughter of Mr and Mrs Truman Parsons fell off the bed while playing and broke her arm.
J. Lusk was reported quite ill on Sunday. R. S. Canfield is sick also.
Mrs C. Farnham was elected Lecturer of the L. D. Council to fill the vacancy caused by resignation of J. Lusk.
The Sugar Social held at the Hall was a success as usual.
Geo. Gould takes a course of studies at the Mich. Agricultural College, for which purpose he went to Lansing Saturday.
Rev. W. Aldrich preached at the M. E. Church last Sunday.
The Lowell Athletic Club will give one of their popular entertainments at South Boston Grange Hall on Wednesday evening, April 1st. Admission 10c and 20c.
The annual election of officers of the M. E. Sunday School will occur next Sunday.
The next meeting of the L. D. C. will be held at So. Lowell Grange Hall four weeks from last Saturday.
Candidates for County officers are numerous as well as Auction Sales. N. F. Gould reports four of the latter this week.
The Congregational Ladies Aid Society will give their dinner at F. W. Morton's Friday, March 27th, instead of Thursday.

Try the Columbian salmon, for sale at C. Bergin's.
White's Bridge Breezes.
Henry Compton went to Greenville Monday.
Visitors at D. O. Sheare's last week were: Mr and Mrs A. D. Wright of Grattan, Joe Shear and sister Mabel, of Berlin, Mr and Mrs Fred Smith and children of Grant, and Miss Fronia Bozung of Lowell.
To Mr and Mrs John Laux, a son.
Misses Ora Sheare and Fronia Bozung spent one day of last week at Fallsburg.
Listen to the wedding bells here soon.
Miss Mary Lott, who has been quite ill, is improving.
D. O. Sheare and wife spent two days last week with W. Biler and wife of Vergennes.
Mrs Myron Bozung is on the sick list. John Bozung entertained two young ladies one day last week.
Mr and Mrs A. H. Norton spent part of last week with friends at McBride.
Leonard Bozung will work for Bert Rose of Saranac this summer.

Whitneyville Items.
J. H. Frasher and daughter, Mrs Chas. Gress were in Grand Rapids one day last week.
Mr and Mrs S. Sargent and son, Loren attended the funeral of Mrs Orrin Keyes of the town line Sunday.
Misses Bertha and Miss Dean were guests of Mrs Chas. Gress, Wednesday.
Chauncey Patterson went to Grand Rapids Tuesday to work for the street car company.
F. J. Streeter was in Ada Sunday.
The friends of F. C. Tillyer and family deeply sympathize with them in the loss of their house by fire Saturday afternoon. The house and contents were fully insured.
Miss Winnie Patterson was the guest of Miss Ella Streeter Wednesday.
There was no school in the Thomas district Wednesday and Thursday on account of sickness of the teacher, Miss Flora Leibler.
Artie Gibbs of Grand Rapids, visited E. Pepper and family over Sunday.
Mrs Horace Sears is slowly improving.
Mrs Warren Streeter is spending a week with her grandmother, Mrs Henry Menzie's of Alaska.
Henry Patterson and sister Winnie spend Monday and Tuesday with friends in Grand Rapids.
Warren Streeter of Grand Rapids is spending a few days with his cousin, Claude Streeter.
One good smoke in this world is better than two in another. Try the NICKLE PLATE 5c cigar.

Segwan.
S. Hudson and wife of Oak Grove were in Segwan Sunday.
Allen's mill, which took the place of Cary's left Saturday night.
William Fox visited at Will Cogwell's the first of the week.
Clarence Konkle, of South Boston, was seen on our streets Monday.
Ida Cooper is spending her vacation at home.
Fred Tomlinson and family of Stanton, have been visiting relatives here.
Mrs S. Cooper visited her sister, Mrs John Hapeman of Alto.
Mr and Mrs L. J. Post entertained Rev. M. Grabiel over Sunday.
William King is preparing to move.
Millie Hawk of Grand Rapids, visited her father, John Hawk last week.
Mrs A. Jay is seriously ill.
Segwan was started last Friday morning to hear of the sudden death of Mrs Sarah Hilliker, wife of John Hilliker. There are many friends to mourn her loss. The funeral was held at the home, Sunday afternoon, at 2 o'clock, Rev. A. P. Moore officiating.
Joseph Jones is improving.
Erma Jay, of West Lowell is staying at A. Jay's.
Mrs M. J. Kopf entertained Mrs Gunn of Shelby, last week.
We hear that W. O. Jory of Grand Rapids, formerly of this place, is preparing to move back.
Rev. Hudson visited relatives here last week.
Wilber Post, of Kalamazoo, visited his parents the first of the week.
Mrs Jay, of West Lowell, has been visiting her son, A. Jay.
A young stranger arrived at the home of Mr and Mrs Lee Green, Sunday, March 23, 10 1/2 pounds; no wonder Lee is a foot taller.
Mr and Mrs Jacob Konkle of Boston attended the funeral of Mrs Hilliker, Sunday.
Billy Jones was in Grand Rapids last week.
Mr and Mrs Vanderwall are the happy possessors of a son.
Mrs Oscar Hogan is sick with the grip.

We are happy to see the faces of Mr and Mrs Allen Bancroft once more.
Mr Hoyardt is better.
The G. A. R. attended the funeral of Mrs Sarah Hilliker.
Baled hay and straw at lowest rates, C. H. Westbrook.
Moose Lake Ripples.
Shortly after noon last Saturday Fred Tillyer's house took fire and burned to the ground in spite of heroic efforts to subdue the devouring flames. Quite an amount of household goods were rescued but all of the provisions in the cellar and much else was destroyed. We did not learn the amount of insurance Mr Tillyer carried. He has the sympathy of all.
Mr Merriman and his son, Willis took a trip to Grand Rapids last Friday.
A number from here attended the Lowell District Council held at So.

Boston Grange Hall last Friday, they report a good meeting. The next meeting of the Council will be held at South Lowell Grange Hall in the village of Alto, on Friday, April 17th.
There was a surprise party for Mr and Mrs Albert Clark last Friday evening.
Wesley Johnson went to Grand Rapids twice last week with potatoes.
We are much pleased with our Editor's accounts of his outing. He ought to travel and tell of it all the time.
A thing very unusual for this time of the year is the fact that our little lakes are still frozen solid and that very few spring birds have made their appearance.
Merriman school social last Friday evening was quite successful and well patronized.
W. D. Sterling is expected home this week.
Delos Sayles of Lowell visited at J. Johnson's last Friday and attended the school social Friday evening.

Cedar Fence posts, peeled, from 7c. up at W. J. Ecker & Son's.
South Lowell.
Preparations are being made for Easter exercises, at the M. E. church.
The Junior League will give an entertainment in the near future.
Zeno Post had the misfortune to smash his thumb, while sawing wood last Tuesday.
Wm. Murphy has stopped grinding feed for this season.
Mr and Mrs Wm. Hufford and daughter Mabel, of Grand Rapids, are spending a few days with her parents, Mr and Mrs S. Pettit.
DeWitt Fero visited over Sunday with his parents in Grand Rapids.
Chas. Murphy had the misfortune to lose one of his best cows last week.
Mrs Joseph Kinyon is spending the week with her sister in Grand Rapids.
Q. Hudson and wife of Vergennes, spent last Tuesday at C. O. Hill's.
Mary Murphy is working for John Christie of South Boston.

Ethel, second daughter of Mr and Mrs Chas. Yeiter, is very sick with catarrhal fever. Mrs King, of Elmada, Mother of Mrs Yeiter, has been lending assistance for a few days.
Miss Maud Sayles, of Fallsburg has been spending a few days visiting relatives in this vicinity.
Miss May Elmendorf, of Down the River is working for Mrs John Mittenfer.
John O. Harrow, is the owner of a banjo. We shall expect to hear some fine music some of these days.
The M. E. S. S. have a fine supply of new Singing Books.
Don't miss the Athletic Show at So. Boston Grange Hall, Wednesday eve, April 1st.
Miss Gertie Lampman, who has been attending School at Casnovia, is spending her vacation with her parents.

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It is expected that the low rate made for this occasion will bring out a large attendance.
The D. G. H. & M. runs 4 trains daily in each direction to Ionia with parlor chair car attached (extra charge only 25 cents) on day trains and modern sleeper on night trains.
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Mrs Byron Cook and Mrs Hugh Brown Jr., were guests of Carrie Dennison Friday.
A large delegation from here expect to attend the Y. P. S. C. E. Convention in Ionia this week.
Mrs B. Sinclair enjoyed a few days' visit with friends in Grand Rapids last week.
Uriel Snow recently erected a fine Vermont granite monument on his lot in the village cemetery, also fitting headstones for their daughter, Myra and son, Philo who have been sleeping there for many years.
V. A. Thompson and daughter, Maud, of Middleville, spent Saturday night with his mother, Mrs F. M. Thompson.
The children of Mrs Wm. Fuller gathered at her home Tuesday, in memory of her 64th birthday. Warm sugar and other refreshments were served. It was a surprise.
Miss Minnie Nippres is recovering from her recent illness.
Mr and Mrs Holly, of Dutton, visited S. P. and Walter Quiggle recently.
Mr and Mrs Byron Cook and sister, Addie Walden, of Grand Rapids, attended the funeral of Jas. Laraway.

Miss Mary Lincoln, who is attending school in Grand Rapids, is spending the week with her mother, Mrs H. G. Holt and family.
Mrs J. S. Clark will have an auction sale of her personal property at her farm one mile south of Ada, Friday a. m., April 8.
While milking on Saturday eve, Mar. 14, Jas. Laraway, apparently in good health, was stricken with paralysis, rendering his left side useless. He was at once taken to the house, but gradually grew worse and at 8 o'clock speech failed him and from that time until death came Monday evening he was perfectly unconscious. Mr L. was born in Salem, Wayne Co., Mich., in 1838. He came to the farm near this village, where he died, when a little boy, where by his great industry he has reared a beautiful home. Mr Laraway had many admirable qualities and was highly respected by all. He was a Charter member of Cascade Grange and one of its most faithful and helpful members. He leaves a wife, one daughter, Olessie, a young lady, and one son Clyde, 18 yrs. old, to mourn the loss of a devoted husband and loving father, whose greatest happiness was in administering to their happiness. The funeral was held at the residence Thursday and was very largely attended, Rev. Finley officiating. The casket was laden with amilax and beautiful flowers, among which was a beautiful pillow, an offering of love and esteem from Cascade Grange. The remains were laid at rest in an evergreen lined grave in the village cemetery.

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THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.
International Lesson for March 29, 1896—Review.
[Arranged from Peloubet's Notes.]
GOLDEN TEXT.—Whosoever shall confess Me before men, him shall the Son of Man also confess before the angels of God.—Luke 12:8.
GENERAL REVIEW.
Chapters 1-12 of the Gospel according to Luke have been the basis for the past quarter as follows:
LESSON
1. Jan. 5. The forerunner of Christ. Luke 1:5-7. Luke 1:1-5.
2. Jan. 12. The boy Jesus. Luke 2:40-52. (Luke 2:1-52).
3. Jan. 19. The ministry of John the Baptist. Luke 2:15-22. (Luke 2:1-33).
4. Jan. 26. The early ministry of Jesus. Luke 4:1-22. (Luke 4:1-11).
5. Feb. 2. The power of Jesus. Luke 5:17-26. (Luke 5:1-33, 5:1-11).
6. Feb. 9. The Sermon on the Mount. Luke 6:1-48. (Luke 6:12-49).
7. Feb. 16. The Great Healer. Luke 7:1-16. (Luke 7:1-39).
8. Feb. 23. Faith encouraged. Luke 8:43-55. (Luke 8:1-56).
9. March 1. Jesus the Messiah. Luke 9:15-27. (Luke 9:1-50).
10. March 8. True love to one's neighbor. Luke 10:25-37. (Luke 9:51-62; 10:1-16).
11. March 15. Teaching about prayer. Luke 11:1-13. (Luke 11:1-54).
12. March 22. Faithful and unfaithful servants. Luke 12:37-48. (Luke 12:1-36). 3. T. Eph. 5:18.
A concise, definite, though brief review of the life of Christ as we have been studying it is given in the accompanying chart:

LES.	JOHN	CHRIST	PREPARATION.	JUDICIAL MINISTRY.	STAGE CALLED MEMORIAL.	STAGE CALLED MEMORIAL.
1.	Birth of John the Baptist.	June, B. C. 6.	BIRTH OF CHRIST.	Dec. B. C. 5.	B. C. 4 to A. D. 26.	PREPARATION.
2.	Childhood and Youth.		Ministry of John.	A. D. 27.	First Discourse.	Public Ministry.
3.	Ministry of John.		Baptism of Jesus.	Jan. A. D. 27.	First Discourse.	Public Ministry.
4.	Year of Beginning.		First Miracle.		First Discourse.	Public Ministry.
5.	Year of Development.		First work of Galilean Ministry.		First Discourse.	Public Ministry.
6.	Year of Preparation.		Early Work in Galilee.		First Discourse.	Public Ministry.
7.	Year of Preparation.		Miracles of Power.		First Discourse.	Public Ministry.
8.	Year of Preparation.		Choice of the Apostles.		First Discourse.	Public Ministry.
9.	Year of Preparation.		Sermon on the Mount.		First Discourse.	Public Ministry.
10.	Year of Preparation.		Miracles of Help.		First Discourse.	Public Ministry.
11.	Year of Preparation.		Miracles of Faith.		First Discourse.	Public Ministry.
12.	Year of Preparation.		Year of Teaching and Working.		First Discourse.	Public Ministry.
	Jesus the Messiah.		The Transfiguration.		First Discourse.	Public Ministry.
	Jesus the Messiah.		Growing Opposition.		First Discourse.	Public Ministry.
	Jesus the Messiah.		Jesus and the Children.		First Discourse.	Public Ministry.
	Jesus the Messiah.		John, chap. 7-10.		First Discourse.	Public Ministry.
	Jesus the Messiah.		Final Departure from Galilee.		First Discourse.	Public Ministry.
	Jesus the Messiah.		The Good Samaritan.		First Discourse.	Public Ministry.
	Jesus the Messiah.		Teachings about Prayer.		First Discourse.	Public Ministry.
	Jesus the Messiah.		Parables about Washing.		First Discourse.	Public Ministry.
	Jesus the Messiah.		The Prodigal Son.		First Discourse.	Public Ministry.
	Jesus the Messiah.		Last Three Months.		First Discourse.	Public Ministry.

Note the characteristics of each year of the public ministry.
Note in connection the three great ministries as designated by the province which Jesus made the center of His work, though in each case He made excursions into the neighboring regions and visits into the other provinces.
Note the long period of preparation and the slow progress at first.
Take note of the life of John in its connection with the life of Christ—how he prepared the way before Jesus came, and preached at the same time with Jesus for more than a year, till the way was fully prepared for the Gospel to take effect among the people.

HELPING ONE HEAVY HEART.
The Personal Satisfaction That Comes from Cheering a Single Soul.
Helping an individual in time of need is a more real and positive act than helping a whole community. To write a poem, an essay, or a volume, that shall influence and interest thousands, does not give the sense of personal satisfaction to the writer that comes with the consciousness of giving encouragement and cheer to one aching heart or troubled soul that might have fainted or failed but for this stimulus and aid. This truth is best appreciated by those who have done most in the line of influencing multitudes. They realize that the reflex influence of work for the many is general and diffuse, while the effect of close personal work for and with the individual is immediate and direct in the heart of both the donor and the receiver. He who is all the time doing for the many is glad to know that he sometimes does for one person who longed for the help that he alone could give. A good physician, whose professional skill is known and prized on both sides of the ocean, writes modestly, in response to grateful words from one of the patients to whom he has lovingly ministered: "As a physician, I believe that the sweetest moments of my life have originated in some wave of consciousness that my honest efforts to relieve some wound or mitigate some anxiety or pain in a human heart have aroused a quickened sense of the great and universal kinship in another fellow-mortal." We may be able to influence for good the great multitude surrounding us, but who of us cannot say or do that which will soothe a personal fear, or which will arouse new courage and hope in a single heavy heart?—S. S. Times.

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