

IN CONGRESS.

Summary of the Daily Proceedings at Washington.

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

Washington, March 25.—A resolution was adopted in the senate yesterday requesting the president to transmit to the senate all dispatches, correspondence, etc., from November 5, 1875, to 1878, concerning the pacification of the then pending conflict in Cuba. Mr. Mills spoke in support of the Cuban resolutions.

Washington, March 26.—A resolution was introduced in the senate yesterday for final adjournment May 2, and another prohibiting the United States or any state from giving any recognition or financial support to any church or religious institution. Most of the day was spent on the legislative appropriation bill.

Washington, March 27.—A joint resolution was passed in the senate yesterday for a commission to make a preliminary survey and estimate the cost of a ship canal from the lower shore of Lake Michigan to the Waabash river, and another allowing ex-President Harrison to accept decorations from Brazil and Spain. A favorable report was made on the bill for the admission of Arizona as a state. The legislative appropriation bill was further considered.

Washington, March 28.—The senate yesterday passed the legislative appropriation bill. It carries \$5,500,000. Aside from providing the usual appropriations the bill effects a reform of the system of compensation for United States district attorneys and marshals, salaries being substituted for fees. Adjourning Monday.

Washington, March 31.—The senate yesterday passed a bill for the payment of \$15,845 to the sufferers from the caisson explosion during the railway strike in Chicago and another appropriating \$2,000,000 for a public building at Indianapolis, Ind. The nomination of Benjamin J. Franklin, of Arizona, to be governor of Arizona was received from the president.

THE HOUSE.

Bills Introduced and Petitions and Resolutions Presented.

Washington, March 25.—Bills were passed in the house yesterday to rehabilitate ex-confederate army officers; to abolish the death penalty in certain military cases, and to make the sale of spirituous liquors under a false brand punishable by fine and imprisonment. The naval appropriation bill (\$31,611,034) was reported.

Washington, March 26.—The house took up the naval appropriation bill yesterday, and when the adjournment was reached all the paragraphs had been passed save those relating to the increase of the navy. The committee on labor ordered a favorable report on the bill of Mr. Erdman, of Pennsylvania, providing for the settlement of labor troubles by arbitration. Arbitration is not made compulsory, but the decision of the arbitration boards is made binding. The measure is favored by labor organizations.

Washington, March 27.—Mr. Cannon (rep., Ill.) reported the sundry civil appropriation bill in the house yesterday for the year ending June 30, 1897. The naval appropriation bill was passed.

Washington, March 28.—In the house yesterday a bill was favorably reported extending the benefits of the pension laws to all the militia engaged in the civil war who served 90 days under the direct authority of the war department or United States officers. Adjourning Monday.

Washington, March 31.—The house yesterday took up the consideration of the sundry civil appropriation bill and disposed of 15 of the 100 pages before adjournment.

Victory for Cuban Rebels.

New York, March 30.—A special to the Journal from Havana says: Pinar del Rio has fallen. The stronghold of the Spanish army in the western part of the island was taken by the insurgents Saturday. There was a desperate fight, and many men on both sides were killed and wounded. Following his usual policy, Maceo did not hold the town. He simply destroyed it and then passed on to some other place.

Killed His Wife and Himself.

Kansas City, Mo., March 31.—Shortly after three o'clock Monday morning Henry Hill shot his wife Bettie and then himself at their home here, 612 1/2 Cottage lane. Both are dead, and death in each case was almost instantaneous. Hill was 28 years old and his wife 21. Jealousy was the motive for the crime. They came here from Charleston, Mo.

Nearing a Crisis.

Havana, March 31.—Twenty-five thousand insurgents under Gen. Maceo are swarming over the province of Havana and Pinar del Rio destroying property, 45,000 Spanish soldiers are in the same territory, and it is thought a decisive battle is near at hand.

Broke All Records.

Denver, Col., March 30.—Melvin O. Dennis, of this city, rode a mile unpaced on the Montclair straightaway course in 1:11 3/5. It was the fastest time ever made on a wheel.

Killed by Lightning.

Spring Valley, Minn., March 30.—Lightning destroyed the house of Jacob Reihl, a farmer at this place, killing his wife and two sons and the hired man.

TO LINK THREE TOWNS.

Kalamazoo, Battle Creek and Lansing to Be United by an Electric Road.

Chicago, Ill., March 28.—By a sale closed by Chicago officers of the General Electric company Thursday the longest electric railway in the world is assured. The sale was to a syndicate of capitalists in Battle Creek and Kalamazoo, Mich., and consisted of the electric street car line of Kalamazoo. The buyers already own the plants at Battle Creek and Lansing, Mich., and will connect the three towns. This will make a straightaway line of 75 miles. An additional spur three miles long will be built to Gull lake, the largest inland lake in Michigan and a popular summer resort. The company will equip the line in the most modern style known to the electric world and the General Electric company is already figuring on some of the appliances. The main points sought are to have a high speed road and to this end a 65-pound "T" rail will be used. The line will be a strong competitor of the Michigan Central in the carrying of passengers, mails and light express.

The leading spirits in the enterprise are Maj. L. M. Downs, a capitalist of Battle Creek, and F. N. Rowley, cashier of the First national bank of Kalamazoo. Their associates are J. B. Wyckoff, L. M. Gates, J. W. Osborn, D. B. Merrill and E. E. Downs. Several of them are practical railroad men.

It is understood that all of the contracts for construction are to be placed in Chicago. The rails are to be furnished by the Illinois Steel company, the cars will probably be built by the Pullman or Wells-French company, and the General Electric company will submit figures on electrical supplies.

An electric line 20 miles long, running from Saginaw, Mich., to a suburb, has just been equipped by the General Electric company. A speed of 40 miles per hour is guaranteed.

NINE SAVED FROM DROWNING.

Excellent Rescue of Fishers from Breaking Ice in Little Traverse Bay.

Petoskey, March 29.—Charles Ringle, Charles Lothrop, Henry Graham, Henry Ferris, John Duverney, William Freidlander and three Indians were fishing through the ice in Little Traverse bay Saturday afternoon when the strong east wind broke off a field of ice and began carrying them out into Lake Michigan. Realizing the danger of the thin ice breaking up, they ran for their lives for the north shore, five miles away, only to find a strip of open water between them and the land. They hurried back to the south shore and, getting within a mile of Bay Shore, their signals of distress were seen. The news was telephoned here and a Chicago & West Michigan locomotive took a boat and rescue crew to Bay Shore. Herbert Davis reached two of the men after a long, dangerous pull in a light skiff and the others were rescued just in time, for the ice was rapidly breaking into small cakes and the rising waves covered it with water to the depth of several inches.

ENDS HIS LIFE.

Cleveland Commission Merchant Kills Himself in Detroit.

Detroit, March 30.—William E. Striebinger, a commission merchant, whose place of business is at No. 29 Euclid avenue, Cleveland, committed suicide Saturday night. He was found dead in a room in the Randolph hotel Sunday afternoon. He left a note addressed to his wife, in which he bade his family good-by, after stating that he had spent all his money in speculation. He poisoned himself by swallowing some powders, the remains of which were found by his bedside. Three pawn tickets and 15 cents were all of value that were found in his pockets.

Suits Against Michigan Roads.

Grand Rapids, March 27.—Foreclosure suits were begun in the United States court against the Detroit, Lansing & Northern, Lansing & Grand Rapids and Saginaw & Western railroads. The suit is begun by George W. Weld, et al., all Boston holders of the trust mortgages, and it is the first step in the radical reorganization of the Detroit, Lansing & Northern system, which has been contemplated for the last three years. The mortgage bonds against the Detroit, Lansing & Northern, on which the suits are based, aggregate \$1,150,000, and those on branch roads bring the total up to about \$2,225,000. The bill asks for the appointment of a receiver.

Ferries Will Run Again.

Menominee, March 28.—Official notification has been received at the Ann Arbor railroad office in this city that the Frackfort, Menominee & Gladstone car ferry route will be opened in a few days. The ice in the bay is getting rotten and there will be little or no trouble for boats to reach this port.

New Baseball League.

Jackson, March 28.—A new baseball league was organized here Friday evening, to be known as the interstate league, comprising Jackson, Saginaw and Port Huron, Mich., and Toledo, O., and Fort Wayne and Terre Haute, Ind. Leigh Lynch was elected president and the salary limit fixed at \$800.

Live Stock Cremated.

Battle Creek, March 27.—The house and barn, together with nine head of horses, cows, sheep and hogs, owned by William Gorsline, of Pennfield, were burned Thursday morning. Loss, \$8,000; small insurance.

Arbor Day in Michigan.

Lansing, March 27.—Gov. Rich has designated Friday, May 1, as Arbor day, and has recommended that schools observe the day with special exercises.

A FIENDISH DEED.

Aged Ohlan and His Wife Murdered Near Akron.

Their Bodies Horribly Mutilated—Two Daughters and a Male Servant Are Fatally Injured—Object of the Crime a Mystery.

Cleveland, O., March 30.—At one o'clock Sunday morning the most fiendish deed that has ever claimed entrance to the criminal history of Ohio was perpetrated near Tallmadge, a village five miles north of Akron. Alvin Stone, aged 69, and his wife, aged 62, while asleep at their home were brutally murdered by a fiend, who literally beat their heads to pieces, after which numerous knife thrusts were made into the bodies of the dead. Two daughters, Hattie, aged 29; Emma, aged 27, and the family man servant, A. F. Stillson, were also attacked. All three of these are fatally injured and lie unconscious and bleeding at the home, awaiting death. They had been beaten about the head with a blunt instrument, which of itself must have been large and of great weight.

Alvin Stone was among the most wealthy and prominent of Summit county farmers, and his wife was also a member of one of the wealthiest and most prominent families in northeastern Ohio. The object of the murderous assault on the family was not robbery, as numerous articles of value, including the two gold watches of the aged couple, which were on the bedroom dresser, were easily obtainable.

An Awful Sight.

In a few minutes the whole neighborhood for miles around was aroused, and hundreds assembled about the Stone homestead. The scene was terribly impressive. The rage of those who for so many years had lived with and loved the amiable, honest Stone family knew no bounds. The Akron police department was notified, and Detective Dunn, Marshal Mason, Sheriff Griffin and First Deputy Hart hurried to the scene. They arrived at nine o'clock.

They found what appeared to be tracks of a man leaving the side door, which was open, and ending at the road. The rain which had steadily poured all night had, however, obliterated the tracks along the road. Blood-hounds were put into service, but they could do nothing owing to the rain.

Charged with the Murder.

Akron, O., March 31.—The authorities here have a theory that Anton Strong murdered the Stone family Saturday night. Three years ago Stone was instrumental in sending Strong to the penitentiary for horse stealing, and at that time Strong vowed vengeance on Stone and his family. Strong was released recently, but has not been seen near the scene of the crime. All the injured except Stillson, the nephew, will recover. Stillson's death is momentarily expected.

Strong was arrested Monday afternoon and formally charged with the crime. The arrest took place at Ravenna. He denies the charge and claims he can prove an alibi. At the house of his sister, where he claims to have spent Saturday night, an overcoat and a pair of pants were found that had just been washed and were not yet dry. The sister said they got wet in a rain last Thursday. Strong has served two terms in the penitentiary for stealing.

To Escape Military Duty.

Quincy, Ill., March 31.—The naturalization court here is busy making citizens of the United States out of the subjects of the sultan of Turkey. There is a colony of Assyrians here, and the Turkish government has ordered them all home for service in the Turkish army in Armenia. In order to escape military duty in their native land they are renouncing allegiance to the sultan.

Two Women Drowned.

Bristol, Tenn., March 31.—The South Atlantic & Ohio railroad depot at Gate City, Va., was destroyed by lightning. Two bridges of the road crossing the Holston river were washed out of the river by the big tide. Two women, names unknown, were drowned. The flood has done great damage to property.

Fire at Des Moines.

Des Moines, Ia., March 28.—Fire in the six-story furniture house of L. Harbush Friday afternoon damaged building and stock to the extent of \$65,000. The loss on stock is about half covered by insurance; that on the building is totally covered. The net loss after insurance is paid will be about \$30,000.

National Bank Shuts Its Doors.

Washington, March 31.—The First national bank of Morris, Minn., closed its doors to business Monday. The bank had a capital of \$50,000, and its liabilities are estimated at \$100,000. Comptroller Eckels has placed Bank Examiner Brush in charge of the failed bank.

Married His Sister-in-Law.

Richmond, Ky., March 28.—Hiram H. Ely, a boy of 15, and his sister-in-law, Mrs. Jane D. Ely, a widow 40 years old and the mother of four children, were married in this city.

Thousands of Spectators.

Georgetown, Tex., March 28.—Matt Mootry, a negro, was hanged here yesterday in the presence of 4,000 people for the murder of Andrew Pickrell, a farmer, last May.

Drowned.

Dayfield, Wis., March 30.—Capt. Abe Smith, a well-known sea captain, was drowned Saturday near Rice island while fishing.

BAY STATE IS FOR REED.

Massachusetts Republicans Select Delegates in Favor of the Maine Man.

Boston, March 28.—The state republican convention to elect delegates to the national convention met at Music hall yesterday and Hon. Henry Cabot Lodge, of Nahant; W. Murray Crane, of Dalton; Hon. E. S. Draper, of Hopedale, and Curtis Guild, Jr., of Boston, were unanimously elected as delegates at large to the St. Louis convention. A synopsis of the platform then presented is as follows:

It declares that the present tariff should be replaced by one framed on protective principles and arranged to give an ample protection to American wages and American industry and to restore the reciprocity policy of James G. Blaine; regards the silver agitation as hurtful to business, and declares entire opposition to the free and unlimited coinage of silver; supports the national banking system; declares that the Monroe doctrine, as declared in 1823, and enforced in 1895 and in 1895, must always be upheld; expresses sympathy with the Cubans in their struggle for independence, and closes with this declaration in favor of Thomas B. Reed as a candidate for president:

"Massachusetts republicans have never undertaken to pledge or bind their delegates to a national convention. We do not intend to do so now. But we think it fitting to declare our decided preference among the candidates for the republican nomination to the presidency. We present to the national convention for nomination as president and urge all our delegates to give their earnest, united and active support to a fearless leader, tried in many hard conflicts, a man of national reputation, of unblemished character, unwavering republicanism and great abilities, Thomas B. Reed, of Maine."

The allusion to the Blaine reciprocity policy was received with applause, as was also the allusion to the Cuban matter.

SHOT FROM AMBUSH.

Conrad Becker Killed by His Stepson, Who Commits Suicide.

Virginia, Ill., March 30.—Conrad Becker, a wealthy farmer of Arenville, this county, was shot dead Saturday by his stepson, William Becker. The latter then committed suicide by firing a bullet through his brain. The tragedy is the result of a long-time family quarrel relative to a boundary line and the rightful occupancy of the farm, which recently terminated in a lawsuit and the ordering of the stepson off of some land. The murdered man leaves an estate of \$30,000. The murderer and suicide carried a life insurance of \$20,000 in different fraternal orders. The shot that killed Conrad Becker was fired from ambush.

PARTED BY THE WAR.

Death of a Sister of Ex-President Hayes Discloses a Story.

St. Louis, March 28.—Mrs. E. Marvin, a sister of ex-President Hayes, who died Wednesday at Kirkwood, a suburb, was buried from the Kirkwood Methodist church, Rev. Dr. Mays presiding. She was a few years the senior of her distinguished brother. They were separated in early youth. Mrs. Marvin was raised and educated by an old southern family, then residing in eastern Illinois. When the civil war broke out the brother joined the union army, and the strong prejudices of the family with whom Mrs. Marvin was living estranged her from him and they never met again.

Carpenters Inaugurate a Strike in Chicago.

Chicago, March 31.—The spring campaign of the Carpenters' unions opened Monday, and before noon a number of strikes had been called in various parts of the city. Pursuant to resolutions adopted, every member of the union refused to work for a contractor who had not joined the Carpenters' and Builders' association and signed the agreement made by the latter, and the carpenters' executive council, giving the men an eight hour day and 35 cents an hour.

Oklahoma for Reed.

Oklahoma City, O. T., March 30.—The republican territorial convention, which met here Saturday to elect delegates to the St. Louis convention, brought on a bitter struggle between the Reed and McKinley factions. The Reed men won, the convention voting down resolutions endorsing McKinley, defeating the six McKinley candidates for delegates to St. Louis and electing a delegation favorable to the man from Maine.

Royce Pleaded Guilty.

Sioux City, Ia., March 31.—William Royce, the murderer of Nellie Patten, was arraigned for trial Monday and caused a sensation by changing his plea of not guilty to that of "guilty." He will be sentenced April 8. His crime was a cold-blooded one.

New York Reformers.

Syracuse, N. Y., March 27.—A state convention of "the reformers of New York, irrespective of party affiliations," has been called for this city April 21 to elect delegates to the national reform party convention at Pittsburgh, Pa., May 25.

Failures in Louisville.

Louisville, Ky., March 31.—Lovinew, Beuger & Co., wholesale clothiers, failed for \$100,000, and Newberger, Frankel & Co., wholesale furnishings and notion dealers, failed for \$100,000.

Named for a Third Term.

Kingfisher, O. T., March 1.—The republicans of Oklahoma in convention here renominated Dennis T. Flynn by acclamation for a third term as delegate to congress.

Blown to Atoms.

San Francisco, March 30.—Advices received here say that 300 Chinese were blown to atoms by the explosion of a magazine attached to the fort at Kieng, in China.

Killed by His Team.

Rock Island, Ill., March 27.—Frank Hollister, a farmer, was killed by his team in the street. His neck was broken.

FATE OF A HERO.

Young Man Saves a Lady's Life, But Is Himself Drowned.

Olivet, Mich., March 30.—A party of students were skating on Pine lake when the ice broke through. A. M. Finney, of Chicago, was drowned. Miss Alberta Chapman, of Port Huron, was taken from the water after floating nearly an hour fastened to a rail. A board was secured and pushed through the ice, but not before Finney went under in a heroic attempt to save Miss Chapman. Finney's body was soon after recovered.

Navigation Opened.

St. Clair, Mich., March 31.—Clair river navigation is open at this end. The rain and wind of Saturday night entirely cleared the river of ice. Monday morning the steamer Conger made the trip between Algonac and Port Huron.

Holland, Mich., March 31.—The ice went out of Black lake into Lake Michigan Sunday night and navigation is open here. Steamers and schooners are fitting out.

Has No Officers.

Niles, March 28.—The village of New Buffalo is without any town officers. When the elections were held two weeks ago the citizens of the village were unaware of the new election law recently passed by the Michigan legislature and forgot to nominate officers and hold an election. The citizens are in a dilemma, having no president, no justices; in fact, no rulers whatever.

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A Double Funeral.

Niles, March 27.—The funerals of "Aunt Betsy" Flynn and her nephew, J. L. Flynn, who died the same day, were held in St. Mary's Roman Catholic church Thursday. The priest's sermon was preached over the remains of both, and at Notre Dame cemetery the bodies were consigned side by side to their last resting place.

Best Part of a Town Gone.

Weston, W. Va., March 30.—The fire which started in the Commercial hotel here Saturday night, burned itself out shortly after daylight Sunday, having destroyed nearly the entire business portion of the town. The loss is variously estimated at from \$400,000 to \$600,000, with insurance about 25 per cent.

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NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES.

East Lowell.

Mr and Mrs Ozer, are rejoicing over the arrival of a 10 pound boy. I think Segwun is stepping over the county line.

Little Ruby Parsons, who broke her arm, is getting along nicely. The sick are all improving. Do not forget the meeting Thursday evening at J. N. Hubbel's.

Fine Job Printing of all kinds at JOURNAL OFFICE.

Fallaburg Facts.

Mr and Mrs Pottruff spent Saturday and Sunday with relatives and friends in Grattan.

Max Denny is laying the wall for John Wright's new house.

Mrs Ralph Farr, of Cannonburg, visited last Tuesday with her parents, John Colvin and wife.

Annie Pottruff has gone to work for Mr Louck's for the summer.

Fronia Bozang and Tress Roe have gone on a visit to Westphalia.

Willie Bexford is moving to Lowell. Leroy Sayles and wife spent Sunday with Monte Sayles and wife.

The neighbors of Henry Booth and wife gathered together and unexpectedly called on them last Tuesday evening. A very pleasant evening was spent by all present.

WANTED at once, 11,000 lbs. of butter. Will pay highest price. R. VANDYKE.

Down the River.

Wilbur and Audie Post were guests of their grandparents, C. B. Carter and wife, the first of the week.

Will Wisner and wife of So. Boston visited her parents, Sebastian Wunsch and wife part of last week.

Minnie Martin visited friends in Gd. Rapids last Thursday and Friday.

C. B. Carter has rented his farm to Carl Rohrt of Vergennes, Mr R. will take possession this week.

Owen Shepard, of St. Johns, is visiting his aunt, Mrs L. A. Carter.

Mrs Hastings' horse was found dead in the stable Monday morning.

Miss Ida Ernst spent two days of last week in Grand Rapids, attending the examination.

There was a meeting of the Swiss people at the home of C. Althaus Sunday.

Mrs Denny is visiting relatives in Gd. Rapids this week.

Buy Cigar Clippings at the factory, Train's Opera House Block.

Gratuit Gatherings.

The first good rain of the season Saturday.

Mrs Hollis has been suffering from tonsillitis the past week.

Ashley church has an Easter Sunday concert April 5, evening. Free. All invited.

The hard times social held at John Ashley's March 27, was a great success. Over 200 present.

Regular communication of the Grattan Masonic Lodge last Saturday night, with fair attendance.

Please remember the Annual Sheep Shearing Festival at the Grange Hall April 9. Ladies invited to make the picnic dinner a success. Shearing at John Randal's barn.

Messrs J. A. and W. J. Leasier were in Grand Rapids last week with 18 dressed hogs, some of them very heavy.

School commences next Monday in the Ashley Dist., with Miss Emma Ashley, of Big Rapids, teacher.

Wheeler Pond and family, who have lived in Greenville several years, removed to their farm here last week.

Mrs Fay Dillon, nee Vada Huntley, of Petoskey, visited Mrs Geo Whitton and Mrs M. A. Lesater March 27 and 28. Mrs D. has been at Belding some time, helping care for her grandmother, Mrs C. Close. The latter is gaining and friends are hopeful of her recovery.

As already stated the funeral of C. Elter Clemons was held March 25, under the auspices of Court Grattan No. 986 I. O. F., of which he was an honorary member. Besides the relatives, 14 friends were present from Grand Rapids, nearly all Foresters from Court Rescue. At the age of 17 years Elter went to Grand Rapids to learn the machinist trade of his uncles, C. O. and A. D. Porter, working in their shop nearly 5 years; the boys with whom he worked sent a lovely pillow for the casket, of amilar, roses, lilies and sweet alyssum, "Elter" being in the center in purple immortelles. There were also other flowers. At the church O. I. Watkins read selections according to Elter's request. Music by the Ashley church choir. Born in Grattan, he leaves a host of friends besides his widowed mother, one brother and two sisters to mourn his early demise.

Whiteville Items.

John Krause, of Frigon, spent a few days of last week with his son Wil, and family.

Mrs Ella McWhorter and son Lewis spent Saturday with relatives in Grand Rapids.

J. R. Fisher was in Grand Rapids last week.

Miss Verne Wood spent last week with friends and relatives in G. R.

Mrs Sayles was the guest of her daughter, Mrs Wm. Krause, a few days last week.

Miss Maude Brewer is spending a few days with her grandmother, Mr Bloomer, of Alto.

Frank Hendley, of Caledonia, spent Thursday night with Chas. Campbell. Charley Corey, of Grand Rapids, was in this vicinity Monday.

John LeClear, a former resident here, but for the last few years of Grand Rapids, moved his family into Fred Croninger's house last week.

Mr and Mrs Chas. Gross entertained company from Caledonia Sunday.

School begins Monday, April 6th. J. S. Peet will teach the spring term.

Wilson Carl and friend, of Ada, took dinner with F. J. Streeter Monday.

Geo. Brink, who has been in the western states for some time, is the guest of father-in-law, R. S. Adley and family.

Mrs Addie Stone, of Luther, is the guest of her parents, Mr and Mrs R. S. Adley.

School closes in the Thomas district April 10th, with an entertainment in the evening.

Died, at her home near Alaska, Monday, March 23d, Mrs William Barris, aged 81 years, 8 months and 10 days. Mary Ann Croninger was born July 12, 1812, in Star Co., Ohio. She was married to William Barris August 11th, '33, at Euclid, O. They came to Michigan in 1884 and moved to the farm where she died, in 1884. She was the mother of nine children, five of whom are still living, three sons and two daughters. About thirty years ago Mrs Barris united with the Baptist church at Alaska, but for several years her health has been such that she was not able to attend to church duties. The funeral was held from the house Wednesday, March 25th. The remains were laid to rest by the side of her husband in the Alaska cemetery.

FARMERS, I want your Butter and Eggs. Call and see me. R. VANDYKE. See Vinegar's \$2 work shoe. Come in and buy one of our couches. They are good for that tired body. J. B. VENTER.

Obituary.

Mrs Helen Denmore who came to attend the funeral of her sister, Mrs Orrin Keyes, has left for her home in the northern part of the state, taking with her, Mr Keyes' youngest child, a babe, of 8 months and will give it the needed care and attention.

Miss Grace Bates is assisting Mrs Chas. Buttrick, with her house hold duties.

E. E. Beebe is attending the business college in Grand Rapids.

Ralph Van Nordee and wife have moved to a farm near Saranac.

Sam Armstrong was the fortunate one that drew the quilt at the social at Sylvester Cook's recently.

James Harris is recovering from a severe attack of pleurisy.

The little child of W. Murdock and wife pulled over a pair of hot water Sat. burning its feet quite badly, but it is doing well.

J. Sharpe, of Cadillac, recently visited his friend, John Rouse, at Mrs Beard's.

Miss Carrie Dennison left Sat. for a few weeks visit with relatives at Spring Lake.

The W. M. S. meets this Fri. with Mrs Chas. Dennison.

Mrs A. Doty left today for Corinth, to care for her mother, who is no better.

Born to Frank Carleton and wife March 23d, a daughter.

IN MEMORY OF MRS ORRIN KEYES. Only a step removed, And that step into bliss, Our own, our dearly loved, Whom here on earth we miss. Not stranded in the dark, But veiled by purest light, Each safely anchored bark, Now hidden from our sight. Not hushed, the pleasant song, That used to greet our ear, But 'mid the Angel throng Sounding more sweet and clear. Not passed away the love So rich, so true, so pure, But perfected above And e'er to endure. Only a step removed We soon again shall meet Our own, our dearly loved, Around the Saviour's feet.

Mrs Cora Nippess, of Freeport, and mother, Mrs Horace Johnson, visited the latter's aunt, Mrs Anis recently.

Ebel Finley returned Sunday from a weeks visit with friends in Grand Rapids.

For all kinds of canned goods try C. Bergin's.

When that P. Husted & Co. are sold out of trees don't believe him. Husted has a large assortment of all kinds of hand. They employ no agents.

A good many attended the dance at George Godfrey's Friday eve.

D. L. Weaver and family moved to Alto last Thursday.

Geo. Brown and wife, of Alma, visited E. A. Bunker and family last week.

Mrs Robert Johnson and son Clayton, and Leona VanNatten Sundayed with Chas. Smith.

Mrs W. H. Lee gave a thimble party last Thursday p. m. Those attending report a good time. Mrs W. H. Silby, Mrs Hiram Gregory, Mrs Wade Scott and Mrs Fred Scott, of Lowell, were present.

Albert Stauffer and wife have moved into the house vacated by D. Weaver.

Rev Westbrook closed the meetings at this place last week on account of poor health.

Wilder McDermid and wife attended the wedding of his sister, Miss Stella McDermid, at Lowell, Tuesday afternoon.

Wm. Watts is busy taking an inventory of stock.

Mrs James Morgan returned home from her visit in Grand Rapids Wed. eve. Boyd Colson accompanied her home for a few days visit.

George Godfrey and family moved to their farm in Irving Monday.

Floy Morgan, of Lowell, is visiting her aunt, Mrs Robert Johnson.

Preparations are being made for Easter exercises at this place next Sunday eve.

Arthur Leigh, of Sunfield, is at work for C. L. Morgan.

Clayton Johnson is laid up with a sore hand caused by a scratch from a buckle and now erysipelas has set it.

Phena Salsbury visited her sister, Mrs Henry Nellins, Friday and Saturday.

Wilbur Smith has purchased a new bicycle.

Wm. and Hannah Lowe attended the examination of teachers at Hastings Thursday and Friday.

Alice Huntington visited Mrs Albert Parker, of Freeport, last week.

Bowne Center School contemplates starting a library in their school. It should receive the support of every patron of the school. Let every one give this careful consideration and realize the benefit to be gained by a good library and if called upon be ready to assist them in the cause of education.

Bowne Center was well represented at the exhibition at Harris Creek last Monday night. All report a good time, but as yet have failed to call in their horns.

The Republicans held their caucus Saturday p. m., and nominated township officers as follows: Supervisor, P. J. Sinclair; Clerk, A. J. Porritt; Treas., Wm. Stauffer; Justice, Hiram Seese; Highway Com., Chas. Dygert; Drain Com., John Clark; School Inspector, Wm. Bunker; Board of Review, Wm. Stone; Constables, D. L. Weaver, Mike Hire, Frank Demings, Richard Johnson.

The Free Silverites held their caucus Monday p. m. and nominated township officers as follows: Supervisor, Wm. Davis; Clerk, Geo. Markley; Treas., John Watts; Justice, Martin Holcomb; Highway Com., John Porritt; Drain Com., Lewis Bouland; School Inspector, C. L. Morgan; Board of Review, George Salsbury; Constables, Gottlieb Weiland, Joseph Porritt, Wm. Karcher, A. A. Andrews.

Special Notice.

The partnership heretofore existing between M. Ruben and F. T. King, as M. Ruben & Co., is this day dissolved, by mutual consent.

M. RUBEN, F. T. KING.

Dated, Friday, Feb. 28th, 1896.

Michigan Christian Endeavor Annual Convention at Ionia, Mich., April 1st to 3rd 1896.

For this occasion the Detroit Grand Haven & Milwaukee Railway, in connection with all other Michigan lines will make a rate of one fare for the round trip and tickets will be sold to the public on April 1st and 2nd good to return to April 4th. 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.

D. G. H. & M. City Office.

For the convenience of those who wish to purchase their bus and railroad tickets together I have placed on sale at the above office a full stock of tickets to all local and through points so that passengers are ready to get on the train when they reach the depot.

A. O. HEYDLAUFF, Agent.

Promptness in filling wood and coal orders at C. H. Westbrook's.

THE FIRST SPECIAL FOR 1896! Commencing Saturday, April 4th.

MARKS

Is Again to the Front With a Complete Stock of SPRING AND SUMMER CLOTHING

In order to make room for the New Goods that are arriving daily I will FOR THE NEXT THIRTY DAYS offer my entire stock of Gents Furnishing Goods, Etc., at the following low prices:

- 50 Doz. Blue Denims Overalls worth 40c, now 25c
25 Doz. Blue Denims Overalls worth 50c, now 35c
25 Doz. Blue Denims, extra heavy worth 75c, now 50c
25 Doz. Bk. Stripe Duck Overalls, worth 75c, now 50c
10 Doz. Cottonade Pants, worth 75c, now 58c
10 Doz. Heavy Cottonade Pants, worth \$1.00, now 75c
10 Doz. Fine Heavy Cde. Pants, worth \$1.25, now 87c
20 Doz. Boys Knee Pants 4-14 yrs, worth 25c, now 17c
12 Doz. Boys Knee Pants 4-14 yrs, worth 35c, now 25c
10 Doz. Boys Knee Pants 4-14 yrs, worth 40c, now 29c
10 Doz. Boys Sweaters, worth 25c, now 17c
10 Doz. Boys Blouse Waists, worth 25c, now 17c
10 Doz. Brownie Overalls, worth 40c, now 25c
10 Doz. "dbl. knee and seat, worth 65c, now 48c
40 Doz Mens Work Shirts 36 in, worth 30c, now 19c
40 Doz Work Shirts, Bk & White, " 50c, now 35c
25 Doz Amoskeag Shirts, 36 in., " worth 50c, now 35c
25 Doz Hvy Bk Stripes, " " worth 75c, now 50c
10 Doz Mens Bkn and B1 Sweaters, worth 50c, now 35c
20 Doz Mens Satine Shirts, worth 50c, now 35c
5 Doz Negligee Shirts with Collars attached now 48c
5 Doz " " " " " " " " worth 90c, now 67c
5 Doz " " " " " " " " worth 1.25, now 87c
40 Doz Mens Suspenders worth 20c, now 11c
20 Doz Suspenders, extra hvy., worth 30c, now 18c
150 Doz Mens Socks, worth 8c, now 5c
50 Doz Mens " " dbl heel & toe, worth 10c, now 7c
20 Doz Mule Skin Gloves & Mitts, worth 40c, now 25c

Goods Sold as Advertised.

Come and Examine My Stock Before Buying. It Is No Trouble to Show Goods.

REMEMBER THE PLACE, MAKE NO MISTAKE:

Marks' Old Stand, East Side, Lowell

STAND BY THE REGULARS.

Homeopaths Join the Boycott Against the Kalamazoo Hospital.

Kalamazoo, March 30.—The homeopathic physicians of this city have decided to stand by the staff of Borgess hospital, who resigned several days ago in a body. Saturday Dr. A. B. Cornell, homeopathist, was induced to take charge of a critical case for a day or two. After this, unless physicians can be imported, the institution will be boycotted completely. The doctors say they will either break the hospital or compel the removal of Rev. Frank O'Brien, of St. Augustine's Catholic church, who is blamed for the trouble. Bishop Foley is expected to reach the city in a few days to investigate the trouble.

Were Lovers Years Ago.

New Buffalo, March 26.—John L. Jones and Mrs. Melissa Brown were married near here. The groom is 90 and the bride 82. They were lovers 60 years ago, but circumstances intervened to prevent their marriage and they parted with vows to meet again in their old age. Both married, but death removed all barriers, and time at last brought them together in wedlock.

Will Resume Work.

Negaunee, March 28.—The Buffalo mines, four in number, will resume work with partial forces April 1 and will begin working full forces May 1. The Barossa mine will resume April 1.

Fire in Chicago.

Chicago, March 31.—The big four-story building at 338 to 344 Wabash avenue with all its contents was completely destroyed by fire at three o'clock Monday afternoon. The fire started on the floor occupied by Madame Yale, and was caused by an explosion of chemicals. The total loss is estimated at \$90,000.

Fire at Coldwater.

Coldwater, March 31.—Pratt & Co.'s cutter factory caught fire from some unknown cause at 7:30 Monday evening. The building containing the offices, printing department, finishing and ware rooms was almost entirely destroyed. The total loss is estimated at \$25,000, with \$10,000 insurance. The company is an extensive manufacturer of bicycle rims.

Prominent Michigan Lumberman Dead.

Montague, Mich., March 31.—George E. Dowling, aged 56 years, a wealthy banker, and one of the most prominent lumber kings, died here Monday morning of heart failure. Mr. Dowling was past grand master of Michigan masons.

Lumber Plant Burned.

Traverse City, March 28.—The lumber plant and sawmill of Henry Schomburg at Good Harbor burned. Loss, \$11,000.

N. P. Husted & Co. have a large assortment of fruit trees for their spring trade. They are booking orders daily. They employ no agents.

Litiged Lawyers.

It is recorded of Andrew Johnson that when, senator or president, he was invited to a dinner party, he was accustomed to ask if any lawyer was to be among the guests. For, said he, lawyers always lubricate things. He took a greater fancy to William M. Evarts, his attorney general, because of his post-prandial fame than because of his eminent legal attainments.—Green Bag.

Goes a Long Way.

Borax—My wife makes a little money go a long way these times.

Hen, skt.—So does mine unfortunately. She's always subscribing for missions in Africa and Polynesia.—Pearson's Weekly.

Shun no toil to make yourself remarkable by some one talent. Yet do not devote yourself to one branch exclusively. Strive to get clear notions about all. Give up no science entirely, for all science is one.—Seneca.

A VALUABLE PRESCRIPTION.

Editor Morrison of Worthington, Ind., "Sun" writes: "You have a valuable prescription in Electric Bitters, and I can cheerfully recommend it for constipation and Sick Headache, and a general system tonic it has no equal." Mrs Annie Steble, 2925 Cottage Grove Ave., Chicago, was all run down, could not eat nor digest food, had a headache which never left her and felt tired and weary, but six bottles of Electric Bitters restored her health and renewed her strength. Prices 50 cents and \$1.00. Get a Bottle at Hunter & Son's Drug Store.

It will be an agreeable surprise to persons subject to attacks of bilious colic to learn that prompt relief may be had by taking Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. In many instances the attack may be prevented by taking this remedy as soon as the first symptoms of the disease appear. 25 and 50 cent bottles for sale by L. E. Hunt & Co.

A FRIEND'S ADVICE.

MONTAGUE, Mich., Nov. 13, 1893. William Windecknecht, a wealthy farmer of Muskegon county, personally appeared before me, a Notary Public, this day, and deposes and says: "That for the past year or so he was afflicted with Weakness, Trembling, Heart Failure, Extreme Nervousness, Headache, and General Debility; that he has consulted with physicians and received no benefit. He was persuaded by a friend to try a sample bottle of Dr. Wheeler's Nerve Vitalizer, and he says that the trembling and nervous feeling was immediately stopped by its use. Afterwards he used two bottles of the same medicine and says he is entirely cured and free from that trembling sensation; his heart gives him no trouble and he sleeps well. He further says that his general health is much better, and that he is calling the attention of his neighbors and friends to the remarkable value of Dr. Wheeler's Nerve Vitalizer." Signed, W. WINDECKNECHT.

Sworn to and subscribed before me a Notary Public for Muskegon county, state of Michigan.

JAS. MORRISON.

For sale by D. G. Look and Hunter & Son.

Run in and see our bargains! John Giles & Co.

\$100 Reward \$100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages and that is cancer. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure known to the medical fraternity. Cancer being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system thereby destroying the foundation of the disease and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The prop-ri-etary offer one hundred dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address, F. J. CLENEY, & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by druggists, 75c. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

LOWELL MARKETS.

Table with 2 columns: Commodity and Price. Items include Wheat, white, wheat, red, barley, corn, oats, rye, flour, bran, middlings, corn meal, corn & oats, butter, turkeys, duck, maple sugar, eggs, potatoes, onions, beans, cabbage, apples.

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A high-grade state technical school. Practical work. Elective system. Summer courses. Gives degree of S. B., E. M. and Ph.D. Laboratories, shops, mill, etc., well equipped. For catalogue address, H. E. WADSWORTH, Ph. D., Director, HOUGHTON, MICHIGAN.

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Have You Seen It? The Quad

CAMERA. It takes a picture on GLASS PLATES 3 1/2 x 3 1/2. It has a corrected Achromatic lens, which insures a good picture. Price \$5. Call and examine Camera and work done.

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