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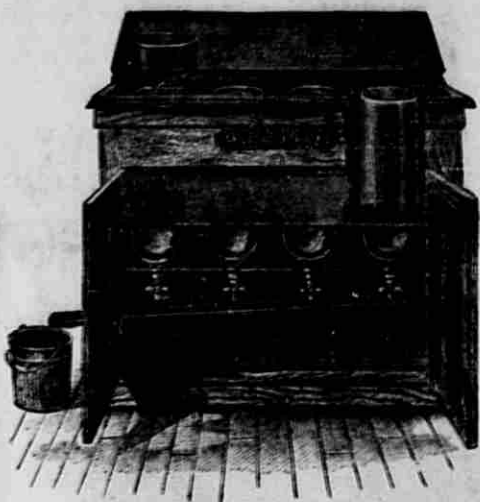
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SPECIAL SESSION OF COUNTY BOARD.

The county Board of Supervisors will meet in special session next Monday to consider proposals and to award contracts for the reconstruction and enlargement of the county jail. Last fall the people by vote decided to raise \$20,000 by direct taxation. They levied this year for the long and urgently needed improvements to the jail, and to this amount about \$10,000 will be added by the supervisors, making the total amount available about \$30,000. Immediately after the spring election a special session of the board was held to start the work upon the jail, and at a second special session held in June the plans presented by A. W. Rush & Son were adopted. Their plans contemplate a complete reconstruction of the jail interior and a material increase in its capacity, the putting in of all the modern improvements and making necessary sanitary and humanitarian provisions for the inmates. At the last special session the jail committee was directed to advertise for bids and the results of the advertising will be laid before the board with recommendations next Monday. The jail committee met yesterday afternoon to open the bids and look them over and will continue its deliberations today and probably tomorrow as well, and will recommend which bids to accept. The bids received are from the following:

Van Doran Iron Works, Cleveland, to build the jail complete including exterior and interior work.

Champion Iron Company, Kenan, Ohio, jail complete.

J. D. Boland, city, complete.

J. E. Bolles & Co., Detroit, steel and iron work.

Pauly Jail Company, St. Louis, Mo., steel and iron.

Hirth & Son, city, cut stone.

James Curtis & Co., city, all but steel and iron work.

Sullivan & Higgins, city, mason work.

John H. Hoskin, two bids, one for all but the steel and iron work and the other for carpenter work alone.

Butter Niernberg & Co., city, masonry and removing interior.

Hanser, Hayden & Owen, city, all but iron and steel work and including plumbing and heating.

Jacob Barth & Sons, city, carpentry.

McCauley Bros., city, steam heating.

Spruiell & McGurran, two bids, one for steam heating and the other for plumbing.

For obvious reasons the committee decline to give any figures until the entire matter can be laid before the board at its meeting Monday.

The committee on claims and accounts and also on sheriff's and constable bills, were in session Wednesday and will continue in session the rest of the week preparing reports which can be presented to the board early in the special session and promptly acted upon. In this way creditors of the county can realize on their claims at an early day instead

of having to wait until the regular session in October and the work of the committees will materially abbreviate the length of the session.

One matter that will come before the session will be the proposed bounty for the scalps of woodchucks. This matter was referred to the prosecuting attorney and Supervisor Hyde in June to be put into proper form and will be ready for submission early in the week to the board. It is understood that Supervisors Hyde and Skeels have already killed woodchucks and are holding the scalps for the new order of things to go into effect. The bridge across the river at Ada, to replace one carried away by the high water in the spring, will also be considered.—[Democrat.

SUNDAY SCHOOL EXCURSION.

"Oh the sports of childhood,
Roaming through the wildwood;
Running through the meadows
Happy and free."

Dear reader, do you remember when you and I were young, Maggie? Do you recall the sunny spots in your pathway down through life? Well, all mankind must travel pretty much the same path, and happy are those who find more of sunshine than cloud in life's journey. Should we not encourage the little ones in pursuit of innocent pleasure, so that they too, may in future times, look back upon happy times which left no sting behind them? Our good Methodist friends, with this thought in mind, have arranged an excursion and picnic for the children, given by the Lowell & Hastings railroad to Lake Odessa, on Wednesday, July 26. The Sunday school teachers will be in attendance, and the children will have constant and competent supervision, that they may be as safe as in their mother's arms. Fares from Lowell and Freeport 50 cents. Half fare for children under twelve years of age. Train leaves Lowell at 6:30, a. m., Freeport 7:01, a. m. Returning, leaves Lake Odessa at 4:49, p. m., and arrives at Lowell and Freeport at 5:25. Give the little ones a day of pleasure, and if you can spare the time, go along yourself, and say as in the good old song: "Backward, turn backward ye swift rolling years,
Make me a child again, just for to-day."

TWO CLOSE CALLS.

Lightning kissed a tree in the yard of Herman Zeigler, last Sunday, burning off some curly cotton and tearing the bark off slightly, and then in the shape of a ball of fire meandered through the house leaving everybody very much awake, but doing no damage. Zeig. says he would rather be excused next time. Dr. Elsworth and wife, too, had a nervous spell on the afternoon of the same day, when lightning struck a post on their veranda only a little distant from where they were sitting. No damage done.

SOMETHING ABOUT SCOTCH POTATOES.

Rev. J. A. Swan, late of Scotland, now the guest of Rev. Jas. Provan, made the LEDGER a pleasant call Wednesday morning. In the course of a brief interview Mr. S. said that he had been much impressed with the courtesy and civility of the American people; that without exception thus far in his travels he has met with kindness and cordiality. As regards our institutions, political and otherwise, he confesses that he has not yet had time to understand them. "I presume that is so," he remarked in reply to the editor's rejoinder that "many people who have been here all their lives are equally in the dark." The idea that has often been advanced that American farmers need a tariff to protect them from cheap Scotch potatoes, the

reverend gentleman considered almost laughable, as the Scotch farmers pay heavy rents, and can hardly supply their home markets. "Why," said Mr. Swan, "You could lay Scotland down upon the state of Texas and hardly be able to find it, and that's not all; not more than two-thirds of it is tillable land. No, sir; American farmers need not fear that their Scotch brothers will flood this country with cheap potatoes, the idea is laughable."

SINGLE TAX LETTERS.

Grand Rapids has a Single Tax club, numbering many enthusiastic members, among whom are some of the most intellectual and enterprising men of that city. What is the single tax? We presume that many of our readers would like to know more of this growing public question; and commencing next week we will publish a series of articles by a member of the Grand Rapids Single Tax club. To make things interesting, we invite any reader of the LEDGER who feels so disposed, to take issue with the Single Taxer, through our columns.

TO MEND ITS WAYS.

The Track committee of the Lowell Fair association deem it necessary to have repairs made on the track. At a meeting of the directors held Wednesday it was decided to start a subscription paper with a view to raising \$200 with which to do the work, and such a paper was drawn.

CEMETERY GROUND.

The township board met, Thursday afternoon, to consider the matter of purchasing additional cemetery ground. Supervisor Bergin, who has been under instructions to purchase land for the purpose from Mr. Herrington for \$300, had the bargain made, but was not satisfied with the title. The board took a recess for the purpose of viewing other lands, and afterward adjourned, subject to call for further consideration of the matter.

"MORE SEWAGE TO DRINK."

The village of Lowell for years has struggled along without sewers but feels that it has been an up hill job. Surveyor Skeels has just completed making topographical surveys of the streets of Lowell with the view of putting in a complete system of sewerage. The sewers will empty into this city's water supply and work will probably begin this season.—[Grand Rapids Democrat.

Grand Rapids will have to accept our regrets; but really, our big sister ought not to kick. Her citizens are already drinking water at five cents a bottle; and if all the towns along the river would use the drain Nature has offered them, perhaps the Grand Rapids authorities would hustle around and give the citizens of that town a pure water supply. The Grand river isn't good to drink any way.

CHICAGO EXCURSION.

The L. & H. will sell tickets to Chicago and return, Monday, June 24, good for seven days, for \$4.45.

The Lowell & Hastings railroad will run an excursion to Lansing and Grand Ledge, next Thursday, July 27, leaving Lowell at 8:30, a. m. Fare to Lansing \$1.20, to Grand Ledge 95 cents. Special train returning arrives at Lowell at 9 p. m.

MUST HAVE IT.

"McCord, July 19, 1893.

MR. JOHNSON:—Please send us the LEDGER. I have gone into business at McCord and am doing well.

WILL BEMER.

(HOME NEWS ON LAST PAGE.)

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LOWELL, MICH.
EMPEROR WILLIAM TALKS AS IF THERE were no other men in Germany but soldiers. He has much to say about the nature of the army, not nothing about the welfare of his people. "A kingly king is he who keeps his people free," Emperor William manifests more of the nature of a tyrant than of a kingly king.

THE Russians have seized a British steamer in Hebrides sea and a British war ship has sailed at once to adjust matters. Meantime, while all its action in the disputed territory, the arbitration draws its slow length on in Paris and the poor, unprotected seals don't know to whom they belong or where they are at.

LIA FORCE of Atlanta has been acquitted of the charge of murdering her two sisters, the court deciding that while she was so crazy as to make the killing no crime, she is not crazy enough to be restrained of her liberty. As the gentle Julia has some more relatives that she doesn't like to behave them to buckle on their armor or emigrate.

THREE-YEAR-OLD Susie Seddich of New York fell with her doll from a third-story window, and was rescued by her mother sitting on an awning two stories underneath wondering why the doll wasn't crying. Two mothers whose children are likely to fall out of third-story windows should see to it immediately that an awning is put up two stories underneath.

An admirer has interpreted Robert Louis Stevenson's latest work. The evidence that the production needed something was ample; probably interpretation was the thing. When a poet sings of a "light foot" all is well, but when he sings just as lastly of a "light foot" the suggestion of impending doom could only be averted by friendly intervention such as, happily, has come to the rescue.

THE undesirable immigration question is once more brought prominently to the surface by the fact that two tramp steamers, each bringing several hundred immigrants from Southern Russian ports, are now due at the port of Philadelphia. The immigrants were of such an undesirable character that the regular steamers refused to take them. The entire country will be interested in the attempt that the Philadelphia authorities may make to prevent the questionable visitors from landing. The United States has more worthless people to take care of than we ought to have and any further additions will be decidedly unwelcome.

Ice cream is one of the lovely luscious things of this life these days. This world with sweet little oases for romankind. It is as necessary to her existence as love or tea or food or a mouse. She has to be ice creamed at proper intervals in the summer season, and if some one does not do it for her she must do it herself. What is the summer for, anyhow, if it isn't to gladden woman's heart with soda water and ice cream? She looks and longs for it when April begins to fade as she does for a chat or a china silk dress. She would die if she didn't have her ice cream, and she could die eating 't. Oh, the congenial joy it is in a plate of the frozen pudding!

The loss of the Victoria suggests the disquieting reflection that the very precautions taken in modern ships for safety may be actual causes of danger. When an old-fashioned vessel, without water-tight compartments, had a hole stove in her side she eventually filled and sank. The water found its level at the bottom of the hold, and as it gradually rose the ship settled until her decks were down to the surface of the sea, when, with a graceful plunge, she went under. Meanwhile the crew took to the boats, pulled to a safe distance and watched the vessel go down. The sunken ship rested on the bottom of the sea as if in a dock, and when the water was no deeper than that in which the Victoria lies her masts projected like signals in the air.

It is announced that the coast and geodetic survey hope soon to settle the national ownership of Pelee Island, which is near the boundary line between Maine and New Brunswick. Whether it belongs to this country or in Canada has been a matter of dispute for a century or so. One would suppose that a question of boundary on such a well-known coast would be settled in less time than that that it has not, and it is to be wondered at when it is remembered that there are still disputed interpretations of passages in the new testament written in the first century, and that the proper pronunciation of the Latin language is still in dispute, although that has been the language of scholars for seven centuries.

AN AFRICAN CHURCH BUILT IN THE LAKE REGION OF THE DARK CONTINENT.

A beautiful and imposing structure is in progress at Blantyre, in the lake region of Central Africa, and that it is a credit to the native hands—the Church at Blantyre.

WHO WOULD suppose that this handsome church adorns a village in the lake region of Central Africa or that it was erected by natives who a few years ago had never seen white man in their lives? asks the New York Sun. Such is the case, however, and even Africa a creditable and even America that cannot show so fine a church edifice as this, which is the work of the native hands.

It is a church, designed by a Scotch missionary, and built by the natives with free labor. He has made bricks and he has made timber. All the materials were found on the spot except glass, the internal fittings, and some portions of the roof, which were put together, brick by brick, by the natives, under white supervision.

The church was completed on May 10, 1891. It is in the form of a Latin cross, with a short choir and an apse half circular in form. Its length is one hundred and six feet, it is thirty feet wide, and from the ground to the eaves is thirty-five feet high. Seven years ago the missionaries began to teach the natives to make bricks, and in 1890 the foundations of the church were laid. By this time other natives had become skilled in carpentry, masonry and plastering, and other blacks made lumber from the pine timber around Blantyre, using a portable saw mill.

This conspicuous achievement in Central Africa, brought by trained native craftsmen, is due to the efforts of one man, a Scotch Missionary, Mr. Scott, who is one of the most remarkable men that missionaries societies have ever sent to Africa. He has unflinching faith in dealing with the natives. He is a man of high character, with his zeal and enthusiasm. Under his guidance these natives work though they love labor and had been trained all their lives to idleness.

The well known explorer, J. Thomson, who rarely becomes enthusiastic over anything, thus writes of Scott: "About the Rev. D. G. Scott, the head of the Blantyre mission, I can speak in superlatives at the risk of appearing to exaggerate. The least advertised of missionaries, he yet stands head and shoulders above every man I know of in the African Mission field, whether you consider his personal magnetism, his breadth of view, his depth of culture, or simply the work he has achieved. The church he has planned and built, is in its way, the most wonderful sight I have seen in Africa. His method of teaching goes far to solve the difficult problem how best to influence the negro for good."

When Archdeacon Maples of the Universities Missions visited Blantyre last year he wrote: "Mr. Scott's wonderful brick church is above all price an example of what the negro can do, and as it will endure as a monument to his genius and skill, it is most worthy of his genius and skill. The new mission buildings are built around a great square which is flanked by flower gardens through which run shady walks. The buildings around the square are of the same style as the church, and the garden, all form a picture which surpasses anything that I have seen in Africa."

TARM AND HOUSEHOLD. A GOOD AND SIMPLE RECIPE FOR A STOCK BOAR.

Mr. John Buchanan, a planter near Blantyre, writes: "There are only two of us at Blantyre who saw what the country was like before the mission was established, and who can judge of the difference now and then. The difference is great indeed, and one needs to know the whole history of the mission to comprehend the powerful influences that have been at work here."

All through this region the natives invariably greet the white man with a "welcome, welcome, welcome." The laborers and craftsmen at Blantyre and the surrounding mission stations are paid for their work in cotton cloth. The day school at Blantyre numbers 200 scholars. There is a boarding school for boys and girls, and a school for the blind. It is a mission station of twenty cents a week, and most of the boys are taught trades and farm labor, and girls learn to do cooking, washing, sewing, and other household duties.

When from 10 to 12 weeks old, says a Canadian writer, the following ration will cause him to thrive admirably if he can be secured for him, viz: a good supply of skim milk, with a meal ration composed of one part ground rye, seven parts green peas and sixteen parts straw. The meal may with profit be stirred into the milk and fed in the form of gruel. When skim milk or butter milk cannot be had slops from the house may be used; where peas cannot be had substitute corn, and where these are not obtainable use ground oats.

The relative proportions of the grain substituted will remain the same, although in this ration green food should be used in summer, such as clover, peas, and, in fact, anything in the form of vegetation in a green and succulent condition. In winter some green food may be used, but the form of roots or corn ensilage. The rations of the stock should be changed as long as he remains tractable. The ration of roots will be good for him while he is developing. If he should be inclined to get too fat, peas or corn ration may be reduced, but it is not likely to take place where he is allowed plenty of freedom.

When he well developed the same ration, especially if he may be given him, but house slops will answer in lieu of the skim milk. A tablespoonful of ground oil cake given once or four times a week has a good influence upon the digestive organs, and now and then some charcoal or charred corn is thought to act beneficially in time of severe indigestion. The ration should be made strong, but great care should be taken to avoid an over-fat condition of the system.

When the boar is kept strong and vigorous, and in good condition as to thrift, but yet not overladen with fat, the results are likely to prove most satisfactory. It is equally important to rush the growth of the boar too rapidly when he is young, or to hinder it by feeding him too lightly. When conditions thus natural are observed, and when the services required are not undue, the usefulness of the boar will continue for several years.

Getting Ready for Harvest. After a crop is grown it is quite an item to harvest at the time and in the manner best calculated to save in the best possible condition. With some crops like hay and small grain, very little delay will often make a very serious difference in the quality of the product, and of course in the value as the quality with all farm products is the measure of value. The majority of farmers reasonably expect to work a little harder during harvest than at almost any other season, but even this will not answer to always secure the best results unless proper care is taken to prepare ahead so that the work can be pushed ahead and the full advantage secured of the extra work.

The cultivated crops should be put in a good condition so that they will grow during the harvesting season. It is going on. This should be done even if it is necessary to hire a little extra help. Generally help will cost less before than during harvest, and if the hiring of extra help in cutting, will lessen the necessity of hiring help during harvest it will be good economy to do so.

FARM AND HOUSEHOLD. FEEDING A STOCK BOAR.

Feeding a Stock Boar. A food for a stock boar is not an elaborate ration, which only the few may use. It is very simple; the opposite of that mysterious complexity which many are apt to associate with successful feeding. The individual selected for stock purposes will have learned to eat nicely before he is taken from the sow. He will then be put in quarters which are not confined.

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As a large part of the work of harvesting is done by machinery it is a very important item to have what will do the work and in good working order in good season. If any machinery has to be purchased look after it in good time. It is poor economy to wait until the wheat is ripe or the corn ready to cut before purchasing the binder or mower. If you have these and other machinery on hand then see that they are in good working order. Go over them and tighten up all bolts or screws. If any of the working parts have got rusted or clean with coal-oil. It never pays to start in harvesting a crop of any kind with a machine that is liable to break down at any time. Better repair before harvest begins than stop after it has fairly commenced. After a certain stage of ripeness has been reached a very little delay will often lower the quality very materially. If the binder is used for wheat and oats be sure one is needed in good season. Have plenty in the open cans.

"German Syrup"

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AMONG THE CLOUDS.

During my life I have had only one adventure, but that was of so fearful a nature, and of such a nature that it has left on my mind so vivid an impression that I shall never forget it. Should my mind become a blank, should all other things fade away, the memory of those few hours would still remain. Although years have passed since then I still retain the memory of that awful experience as if it had happened yesterday.

When I was 28 there was among my friends an aeronaut, Professor Dixon by name. One day the professor gave me an invitation to accompany him in an ascension to take place in San Francisco. Being adventurously inclined, I accepted.

My knowledge of balloons was very small, but I had read many of the things I had read. I have lived the larger portion of my life in a small country village and had never yet seen a balloon, and had never seen one of those small paper toys. But my ignorance of ballooning instead of making me hesitate, made me determined to go. I had never seen a balloon other than one of those small paper toys. But my ignorance of ballooning instead of making me hesitate, made me determined to go.

At last the eventful day arrived. When I reached the grounds the balloon was already inflated and Professor Dixon was waiting for me. I went to the balloon and found it was a large one, and was made of a material that I had never seen before. It was a large one, and was made of a material that I had never seen before.

By some means the anchor, which was upon the outside of the basket, at this instant became loosened, slipped and fell to the ground. The wind caught with such force at this moment gave to the balloon a sudden upward tendency. Instead of ascending directly it was borne along by the wind, dragging the anchor after it over the ground.

This immediately caused a panic among the spectators, who rushed to the right or left to escape the danger. All were fortunate enough to do so except a negro. He was so frightened that he stood still, staring at the oncoming anchor. The anchor struck him on the back of the balloon gave the rope an inclination oblique to the earth. Consequently the negro was struck by it, and he fell to the ground.

We were for a moment appalled by his peril, but Professor Dixon quickly grasped the rope and with an exhibition of strength I had not given him credit for possessing, hauled up the anchor and pulled the negro into the car. The negro's feet were very close to the ground, and he was unable to get any words from him. Whatever we said to him he only stared at us with a vacant expression.

The professor decided to continue his trip, and after hearing over the ballast was set down and talked of the negro's adventure, the balloon in the meanwhile going in a southeasterly direction. At the same time he told me a number of exciting adventures that had happened to himself and his aeronaut friends. He was in the midst of one of the stories when the wind, after stopping momentarily, suddenly and without apparent cause changed to a southeasterly direction, carrying the balloon in that course at a speed of over thirty miles an hour. It was three weeks after my awakening to consciousness and five in all, for I had remained in a trance-like state for two weeks, that I was able to get about.

HE SLEEPS NEAR HARWARDEN.

The Founder of Yale Resets in a Quiet North Wales Character. Few people know that the tomb of Eilhu Yale, who founded the college in New Haven and has had numerous football teams, basketball teams and crews named after him, is in North Wales, ten miles from Harwarden castle, where Mr. Gladstone lives and reads prayers in the church of which his son is rector. Mr. Yale used to spell his name more phonetically than now, says the New York Sun, making the first name Eilgh, instead of the modern Eilhu. He is buried in the churchyard at Wrexham, in North Wales, in front of the church door. Wrexham is a town of about 10,000 people, and the Wrexham church is one of the oldest in Wales. It was built of stone more than 500 years ago. The church retains the old customs, among them a custom of carrying the curfew bell every night. The tombstones in the Wrexham churchyards are great family and biographic history. Mr. Yale has this inscription: "Born in America, in Rhode Island, when long he lived and dwelt in London."

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We were for a moment appalled by his peril, but Professor Dixon quickly grasped the rope and with an exhibition of strength I had not given him credit for possessing, hauled up the anchor and pulled the negro into the car. The negro's feet were very close to the ground, and he was unable to get any words from him. Whatever we said to him he only stared at us with a vacant expression.

The professor decided to continue his trip, and after hearing over the ballast was set down and talked of the negro's adventure, the balloon in the meanwhile going in a southeasterly direction. At the same time he told me a number of exciting adventures that had happened to himself and his aeronaut friends. He was in the midst of one of the stories when the wind, after stopping momentarily, suddenly and without apparent cause changed to a southeasterly direction, carrying the balloon in that course at a speed of over thirty miles an hour. It was three weeks after my awakening to consciousness and five in all, for I had remained in a trance-like state for two weeks, that I was able to get about.

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The people of Kansas City have come to the conclusion that the recent financial flurry was needless, and are returning to the banks the money which, in moments of excitement, they so hastily drew out.

The tide of immigration has turned in the Northern Peninsula, and many miners are returning to Cornwall. If our ports could be closed now against "cheap foreign laborers" for a period of twenty-five years, that would be a tariff that would protect somebody.

FRIENDS OF THE LEMBER are requested to scan its advertising columns closely, and to trade with those who ask for their business through its columns. A newspaper cannot live without advertising patronage; and those who desire to see the paper prosper can render material aid by trading with our advertisers; and they can make no mistake in so doing.

ANOTHER death has occurred in the prize fighting ring, in this land of the free and home of the brave, this land of churches, schools, colleges and public libraries. What a depraved public sentiment it is that tolerates such exhibitions! What sense is there in it? It is time such abominable amusements were done away with and relegated to Mexico, the land of bull-fights, which are on par with American prize fights. There is no defense for the practice; it is brutalizing and debasing to the last degree.

OUR readers will remember that we proposed, in our first issue, to discuss from time to time such topics as seem to us proper and profitable, and to present the truth as we see it. We did not do so, and we are glad to say, to all our readers in every particular; to do so is an impossibility. We announce anew our declaration of independence in our editorial department; and when we hold our space open for courteous criticism of our utterances we do all that can be reasonably expected of us. More than this we shall not attempt.

LEON S. SMITH, the clever Grand Rapids forger, whose financial transactions in several cities in the state have astonished the nation, and who succeeded in raising several thousands of dollars on forged checks, in these close times, has been sentenced to eight years in labor in the State House of Correction in Iowa. Dishonesty, even that of the smartest kind, does not pay. Wealth, even that honestly gained, cannot give happiness; of what avail is dishonest wealth? Better that we take comfort in the poet's thought: "Poor and content, is rich; and rich enough."

EX-GOVERNOR BLAIR proposes to cruise down the Au Sable river, on a fishing expedition. The good old war governor had better insure his life or learn to swim; and it would be well for him to tie a life preserver to each article of his outfit. The roaring Au Sable has a disposition to send passengers and baggage to the bottom that is almost irresistible, and the river bottom is well stocked with rifles and camp utensils, which cannot be recovered. There's many a man who will vouch for the truth of these statements.

THE removal of the Fargo Shoe factory from the Jackson prison has grown sixty convicts out of work. Good enough! That's what we want and more of it. This compelling honest labor to compete with jail birds is a damnable outrage, which cannot be stamped out a minute too quick; and the move of the last legislature in this direction was commendable. Set all the convicts to pounding stone for highway purposes; and stop every-

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The Grand Rapids Eagle seeks to throw discredit upon Geo. F. Richardson's title to a seat in the next Congress. When one considers how Ex-Congressman Belknap voted steadfastly and repeatedly to seat democrats who were fairly entitled to their places in the late republican Congress, one can but admire his nerve in presenting his claim to a democratic Congress. Still, Congress should consider the case on its merits alone, independent of Mr. Belknap's record, and, so doing, will undoubtedly give Mr. Richardson his seat, the Eagle to the contrary notwithstanding.

L. H. WITHEY, the Grand Rapids thing employer interviewed by an Eagle reporter regarding the Fred H. Leonard case suggested the propriety of the whole matter's being dropped by the newspapers, as he could not understand what possible interest the public at large could have in the case. What an unsophisticated fellow this Withey is. Does he take the people for wooden images that he thinks they will stand calmly by and see an unfortunate, inoffensive man robbed of his means, divorced from his family and thrust into a mad house and say or do nothing? As good men as Withey are looking out through the bars at Jackson to-day, but— "The money, money, money everywhere."

PRESIDENT CLEVELAND has recovered from his recent illness and is now reported in good health. This is good news. The president has performed herculean labors thus far in his last term, and has set a mountain of work before him, to accomplish which he needs health of mind and body. His worst enemies cannot accuse him of lack of courage or determination to do what he thinks is right; moreover, he is president not of a party, but of the country, and is entitled to the support and sympathy of every honest citizen in his efforts to bring commercial prosperity out of ruin and disaster.

AN Oregon man who has recently been visiting Canada is quoted as saying that he had an object lesson on the silver question there which has satisfied him. While in a little town in Nova Scotia he went to a bank to get some change and handed out by accident a twenty dollar silver certificate. The bank officers scrutinized it and after a whispered consultation told him that they would rather not have the bill at all, but if that was all he had they would take it at 40 per cent discount. He did not wish to do that but hunted up a twenty dollar Treasury note in his purse and was promptly given its full face value in coin. This seemed to him especially significant since it was only silver change which he had asked for the certificate. The Canadians evidently regarded their small coin safer money than our standard dollars in which the certificate was redeemable.

DON. M. DICKINSON, now being prominently mentioned for the Supreme Court vacancy, is beyond doubt, deservedly Michigan's favorite son. He is, moreover, a man of national reputation, being known from ocean to ocean and from the Lakes to the Gulf as Grover Cleveland's right hand man, who solely out of love of party and country gave of his great services and of his means freely and gladly that the country might be saved from republican misrule. Time and again

has he refused position when it was thrust upon him, and it is by no means certain that he will accept the position in question if it be offered him. But the LEDGER affirms that there is nothing too good for the man on the National committee who alone boldly advocated a campaign in the west, and who declared that the last great political contest could be won by the democrats without the aid of the Ben Hill gang, or of the so called pivotal state of New York, and who established a western headquarters at Chicago, the result being such a political revolution as never had witnessed in long years. No, there's nothing too good for Don. M. and when Michigan's turn shall come to name the next president of the United States may her true blue democrats shout loud and long for Don. M. Dickinson.

In our "salutatory," we made use of these words: "Much that to-day is called truth, may to-morrow be known as error." The following from the Outlook, shows how this may be in religious matters: "If men were more open both to the irony and the humor of contemporary events they would not only be preserved from taking many false positions, but also from inflicting upon others many unjust penalties. The same year which witnesses the trial and condemnation of Prof. Briggs at Washington signifies also a very interesting and significant reaction at the University College, Oxford. In that College the visitor is shown the rooms occupied by the poet Shelley at the time of his expulsion from the university. Eighty years ago, the gifted and aspiring youth, who needed above everything else, patience, charity and grace insight into his nature and problems, was branded as an atheist and driven from the University. Last month, in the presence of a company of Oxford dignitaries, the Master of the University College spoke of the expelled student as a prophet, welcomed the beautiful effigy of the poet's figure to a place of honor within the College walls, and described 'the rebel of eighteen years ago' as 'the hero of the present century.' A Freshman who writes a pamphlet on 'The Necessity of Atheism,' and mails it to the heads of his own and other colleges, in order that he may be confident of its coming under their eyes, raises at all times a difficult question of discipline; but the College last month ought to put us on guard against rash and inconsiderate condemnation of others, and to warn us of the utility of endeavoring to expiate what seems to us to be error by the invocation of authority."

The Little Arm-Chair. Nobody sits in the little arm chair; It stands in a corner dim; But a white-haired mother gazes there And yearningly thinking of him, Sees through the dusk of long ago The bloom of her boy's sweet face, As he rocks so idly to and fro, Sometimes he holds a book in his hand, And the figure hard to make; And the lesson is hard to understand, And the figure hard to make; But she sees the nod of his father's head, So proud of the little son; And she has a word so often said, "No fear for our little one." They were wonderful days, the dear sweet days, When a child with sunny hair Went to school, to learn, and to praise, At her knee in the little chair, She lost him back in the busy years, When the great world caught the man, And he strode away past hopes and fears To his place in the battle's van. But now and then in a wistful dream, Like a picture out of date, She sees a head with a golden gleam Bent over a pencil and slate, And she lives again the happy day, The day of her young life's spring, When the small arm-chair stood just in the way.

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Warning to Boys. A young man who smokes more cigars than time the average hand gets away with, and by rigid economy in other lines and saving the boxes in which he purchased his favorite article of smoking, he managed to accumulate 1,000 of them. He heard that the manufacturer would give a handsome present for the return of that number of boxes. Anxious to reap the benefit of his unremitting toil in this particular line, the young man packed the boxes carefully and expressed them to headquarters with bright anticipations of the present he was to get. After a few days of waiting he had a response from the firm and this is what it said: "Send us another thousand and we'll send you a coffin."—[Ex. The undersigned will continue business at the old stand, and with the services of a competent blacksmith and a good all-around man I will always be found ready to do work on short notice and in a satisfactory manner. I will pay all bills contracted by and collect all accounts due said firm. Respectfully, PORTER CARB. Dated Lowell, Mich., June 1, 1893.



LADIES

In taking honors the women have, in proportion to their numbers, done three times as well as the men.

At the recent ball at the Mansion House in London the ladies who were a very becoming gown of pearly white satin, with a folded bertha and short puffed sleeves of lilac green velvet, which appeared again as a narrow border round the hem of the skirt, and she carried a bouquet of white flowers.

In Paris the latest fad is to ride a bicycle in the Bois in the morning, and many of the titled French women have done so. The Comtesse de Tallary and Comtesse de Montebello are among those who follow this fashion.

Lady Henry Somerset speaks of having invited a number of the poorer people in London to her country home a few days' outing amid all that is most beautiful in field and forest.

One of the women, about to return, thanked Lady Henry and added in the kindest spirit: "But I pity you, living out here where everything is so uninteresting."

Parisian ladies who are no longer in their freshest bloom are seldom seen in the morning. They breakfast in their rooms, served by their femme de chambre. Their war paint is not well worn off by the time they get to the milliner's or dress maker's.

The young women are beating the young men in their college up in Montreal, too. Although only eleven women are taking the degree of B. A., a greater number of thirty-six, yet out of eleven graduating in honors six are women, and out of five candidates three are women, showing

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MYSTERY OF A MARVELOUS ILLUSION FULLY EXPLAINED.

The Disappearing Princess Has a Double and is Reappearing Changes are Aided by Hologram Mirrors—Simple When One Understands It.

HEN A MAGICIAN brings out a new trick with a new apparatus he does not only try to estimate its effect on the thinking, but he provides as well for the great number of people who have seen every wonder of the past.

The most wonderful probability of Kellar's "Illusion" is that it requires the use of two cabinets, hexagonal in shape, and apparently much higher than they are wide.

Tomato Catsup. The tomatoes should be carefully picked and fully ripe. One bushel of tomatoes, two seas of salt, two ounces of ground cloves, two ounces of alspice, one-quarter ounce of black pepper, one-quarter ounce of cayenne pepper, 1/2 ounce mustard seed, two ounces of ground ginger, two ounces of ground cinnamon and one-half gallon of cider vinegar.

Mrs. Besant's Quarters. The Theosophical headquarters in London are at 17 and 19 Avenue Road, two commodious mansions standing detached upon their own ground.

Lady Wrottesley's Mistake. In making pleasant advances toward strangers one should always be prepared for a surprise. It often happens that appearance betrays one into a wrong opinion.

Old-Fashioned Indian Pudding. Stir together in your padding dish one small cup of Indian meal, one cup of molasses, one or two teaspoonfuls of cinnamon, one teaspoonful of salt, seal two quarts of milk and pour slowly into this mixture, stirring it well.

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CLUBS OF QUEER KINDS

SOME STRANGE VOLUNTARY ORGANIZATIONS.

A French Association to Promote the Eating of Horse Flesh Has Gained Abundant Members Since the Danish Display at the Fair.

During the siege of Paris there were a number of men, principally clerics and salesmen, who did not commence to suffer inconvenience from the shutting off of staple meats for food until the majority of the Parisians had become sallow-visaged and sad-looking from long abstinence from nutritious food.

Looking at the divisions back of him the reader can see the line of the curtain edge and the still lower line of green material which covers part of the stage.

When the princess steps into the cabinet and the blinds are pulled down she and the young man change places. When the grandeur steps out the cabinet is again pulled down before the cabinet is moved forward.

Paris has a number of very peculiar clubs at the present time, more peculiar than any other city. The most notable club has been frequently spoken of by tourists. It is exactly what it professes to be, an association of deaf and dumb men, all of them comparatively wealthy.

When the girl raises the painted dummy she pulls on this cord until the light screen is flat against the top of the cabinet and she attaches the end of the wire to a hook.

The dummy section. operators in moving the cabinet, which is now closely curtained—forward and its springing above the stage well there is an arrangement whereby the dummy has ample time to get out into the center of the cabinet and give the dummy in such a way that when the final touch is given to the trick the few who may have suspected the existence of a dummy will again doubt their powers of discovery.

The latest idea of cradles is a self-rocking one with a phonograph attachment that sings lullabies.

GREAT IS DENMARK

LAND OF THE VIKINGS BIG DISPLAY AT CHICAGO.

The Name of Little Erikson Remembered in Fitting Style—Belles of the Greatest Post in the Danish Display at the Fair.

Denmark may have a commendable admiration for its heroes, but the memory of none touches its heart more tenderly than that of its poet and writer of fairy tales, Hans Christian Andersen. A bronze statue of Andersen occupies one of the front portals, and immediately back of it is a reproduction of the room in which he lived a greater part of his life and in which he died.

The room is furnished with the identical furniture used by him and hundreds of relics associated with his name. Among the latter is the complete original manuscript of "The Tale of My Wife" and portions of other manuscripts; his hat, penknife, handkerchief, cigarette case, spectacles and traveling luggage; and among the articles of furniture are his writing desk, bookcase, center table, sofa and bed.

Denmark is taking the greatest interest in the arrangements for a great liberality, yet here he was advocating a plan which was almost sure to result in a year's waste of good cloth for Abe had no younger brother to take his outgrown clothes.

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The school pavilion is made of a characteristic of the industrial exhibits, Denmark has installed some beautiful and costly and beautiful specimens of gold and silverware. The designs are new and the workmanship exceedingly intricate.

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Above the central arch is the country's coat of arms, surmounted by a flagstaff some eighty feet high. The name "Chicago" occupies a panel on the front equally prominent with that of "Copenhagen."

Denmark does not believe in hiding her choice of eggs in a cupboard and keeping a fret of admission to see them. She has, therefore, made the exterior of her imposing structure full of windows for the display of exhibits.

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Mr. Davis recalls an experience of a Village Boy.

"Abe's a grovin' boy now, an' I recorn I'd better cut this suit of clothes good an' large to allow for his fillin' out an' lengthenin'," remarked Mrs. Davis briskly, as she stood shears in hand in front of the dining-room table on which the cloth for Abe's new suit was spread out.

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"Are Grabber's writings all original, do you think?" "Yes, I guess the writing is all that is, though it's not the intentions of French duellists are more honorable than in general is conceded?"

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HOME NEWS

Jerry Boynton was in town Saturday.

Mrs. C. Lawrence spent Thursday in Ada.

Editor Godfrey, of Freeport, was in town Monday.

Dr. Rickert and wife are taking in the World's fair.

Fred Alger has returned from Spokane Falls.

Ben Slade and wife are home from the World's fair.

William Godfrey left, Monday, for the World's fair.

Birth, in Vergennes, a daughter to Geo. Kerr and wife.

Robt. Bailey, of Toronto, is visiting his sister, Mrs. Childs.

Mrs. J. Robertson has our thanks for some fine cherries.

Birth, in Vergennes, a son to Arthur Hendrick and wife.

Berries of all kinds taken on subscription at LEDGER office.

Robt. Swayze and wife have been taking in the Detroit races.

Dr. McDannell and family went to the World's fair on Saturday.

Jas. Carr and wife have been spending the week on the farm.

R. Quick is making repairs on his Washington street tenant house.

Joe Quick wears crutches; he sprained an ankle the other day.

Mrs. Fred Fallas is now recovering from her long and severe illness.

Thos. Graham is painting a barn for L. M. Cogswell, this township.

Mrs. N. L. McCarty and family are preparing to go to Macatawa park.

Miss Matt Curtis, of Lowell, is visiting Mrs. Will Bemer, at McCord.

Thos. Graham is painting the new residence of Allen Bancroft, of Alto.

Pattie Perry has had an attack of malarial fever, but is improving now.

The Misses Stella and Daisy Ranney have returned from the World's fair.

Chas. McCarty and family expect to go to the World's fair in the near future.

Miss Ella Thompson, of Grand Rapids, is visiting W. H. Clark and family.

Geo. Winegar advertises a great reduction in the price of russet shoes and Oxfords.

Miss Esther Keeler, of Grand Rapids, is the guest of the family of Henry Stone.

The Forest Mills purchased their first load of new wheat for this season yesterday.

O. M. Coates caught a fifteen-pound cat fish in Grand river, the first of the week.

Mrs. Cole and daughter, of Grand Rapids, are visiting with Mrs. A. O. Heydlauff.

Miss V. May Davis has been spending a week with friends at Cannonsburg and Rockford.

A. H. Thompson, of Grand Rapids, is visiting his daughters, Mesdames Anderson and Clark.

E. B. Lovett has secured a position in Powers' Opera house, Grand Rapids for the coming season.

Worden's orchestra goes to the agriculture college Aug. 7th to play for a banquet and ball.

Miss Sada VanDeusen, of Battle Creek, is spending a few weeks at her old home in Vergennes.

Tramps are reported thick hereabouts and a citizen raises the query "where is the stone pile?"

C. W. Parks and wife spent Sunday with the former's parents, W. R. Parks and wife, of Keene.

Such of our lady readers as have slender feet will be interested in J. Robertson's advertisement.

R. J. Danies has been appointed postmaster at LaCarge, Kent county, vice G. C. Baker, removed.

Our Lowell boys on the California trip have been heard from, and report a pleasant trip and all well.

Hazen Gardner and daughter, of Battle Creek, are spending a few weeks at their old home in Bowne.

Sam'l Sweetland has returned from Chicago, where he has been employed on the World's fair grounds.

Will McCarty, who has been employed on the World's fair grounds since the opening, has returned home.

Frank McMahon, Frank Bergin and Charles Krum have returned from the World's fair, and report a fine time.

Miss Mandie Davis, of Grand Rapids, will spend the summer with her aunt, Mrs. Maggie Needham, of this township.

B. C. Smith, the tailor, has received a new line of samples and can now offer the finest goods for the money ever shown in Lowell.

M. D. Wilson attended the convention of the photographer's association of America at Chicago this week, returning Thursday.

The Farmer's Hotel has been doing a good business the past week and Mr. Lane proposes to put in a new register immediately.

The fishing at Pratt's Lake is first class. Some of the local fishermen have caught as many as twenty-five to thirty pickerel in a day.

B. C. Smith's colt on being turned out to pasture last week ran against a stake tearing an ugly wound in its breast. It is doing well now.

Don't go to Grand Rapids or anywhere else for job printing until you get prices at the LEDGER office. You will make a mistake if you do.

Rev. Jas. Provan, who is delivering a course of Sunday evening lectures on "Social Evils" will discuss "Intemperance" next Sunday evening.

Mrs. Coddington was adjudged insane in the Probate Court, and was ordered admitted to the asylum at Kalamazoo as a county charge.

The male quartet furnished music for services at the Congregational church last Sunday, and everybody seemed pleased with their efforts.

W. H. Clark, of the L. & H. was in Grand Rapids, Monday, arranging for the M. E. Sunday school picnic to be held at Lake Odessa, Wednesday, July 26.

W. H. Clark returned from the World's fair last Thursday, and Mrs. Clark, who has been in Grand Rapids for the last two months, came the following day.

The State Teacher's Association for Kent county will be held in Grand Rapids from Aug. 21 to Sept. 1. For particulars address A. Hamlin Smith, Grand Rapids.

A gospel and song service will be held in the school house at Fox's corner, next Sunday, at 3 p. m., local time, with a view to organizing a Sabbath school.

Mrs. Geo. Montague and daughter, Opal, have started for Dakota to spend the summer. They will spend a few days in Chicago at the World's fair, on their way.

Sept. 4th will be Labor Day, and Grand Rapids expects to outdo all previous demonstrations of the kind. It is expected there will be 7,000 persons in the parade.

The inclement weather of July 4th so interfered with the Clarksville celebration that the citizens of that town propose to celebrate over again July 29, balloon ascension and all.

The people of Pratt Lake have subscribed for material for a small depot and J. C. Ball of that place is erecting the same on his own account. It will be very convenient for the people in that vicinity.—[Freeport Herald.]

Lowell has some rickety, patched-up, tough looking sidewalks. They should be fixed up. Good sidewalks are cheaper than suits for damage, and add much to the appearance of a town.

Our enterprising young attorneys Mains & Mains have established a branch establishment at Lake Odessa, of which Wesley H. will have charge, while Edward O. will run the Lowell department.

B. H. Hicks, formerly of Bowne and Lowell, was arraigned in police court, at Grand Rapids, last Saturday charged with taking indecent liberties with a little girl. He made no defense and was held to the present term of the superior court for trial. He need expect no mercy from Judge Burlingame.

Warden Parsell was today asked by a reporter as to the truth of the sensational telegram to the effect that he proposes to hold on to his office as warden of the Ionia reformatory. The warden expressed his indignation at the report. "You may say," said he, "there is absolutely no truth in the report. I have no desire to stay here, or anywhere else, if I am not wanted. I shall be glad to turn the institution over to Mr. Fuller, (who, by the way, I have never seen), at his pleasure, and will turn it over in better shape than what I received it. No sir; there is no truth in that telegram."

"Lowell" is a book of over two hundred original photographs of our town, made and published by Milan D. Wilson. It contains pictures of ninety of our business men and women, all the business blocks, thirty of our finest residences, our ministers, all the mills, factories, hotels, glee club, school houses, churches, L. & H. railroad bridge, upper and lower bridges, musicians, Lowell light and power company, new electric power plant, depots, banks, park,

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On the Registers.

Trains hotel: H. A. Pelton, A. Fairchild, R. Grundy, W. R. Elliot, A. V. Wood, Jud Watson, W. McCrone, J. S. Macard, F. F. Leary and W. G. Critchton, Grand Rapids; James Muir, Cascade; C. Radford, Chicago; T. Gillespie, Albion; J. N. Bricksley, Grattan; C. R. Hutchinson, Benton Harbor; W. D. Royce, Owosso; M. Brownell and wife, Eldora, Iowa; H. G. Wilson, Detroit; W. H. Elliot, Jackson; A. Selby, Detroit; D. W. Clark, Rochester, N. Y.; A. A. Howe, Chicago; C. H. Joslyn, Boston; J. H. Robertson, Detroit; C. Jesse Church, Greenville; Geo. McMann's Cleveland; F. O. Adams, Detroit.

Davis house: Oscar Reid, M. Jones, Walter Jewett, Chas. Hall, R. J. Enos, J. L. and F. E. Hodges, Grand Rapids; B. E. and E. D. Collar, Boston; James Taylor, Greenville; I. B. Ward, Detroit; P. F. Delos Hunt, Chicago; G. P. Leonard, Hastings; John Edinger, Greenville; L. Beurnbery, Kalamazoo; W. F. Griffith, Detroit; F. E. Rogers, Chicago; A. H. Doty, Detroit.

Baptist Notes.

Preaching Sabbath morning and evening at the Baptist Church. Bible school at 12 o'clock, noon. B. Y. P. U. meeting at 6 o'clock. Prayer meeting Thursday evening. All cordially invited. ERNEST H. SHANKS, Pastor.

Congregational Church.

Divine Worship at 10:30 a. m. Sabbath School at noon. Divine Worship at 7:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Thursday evening at 7:30. All are cordially invited to attend the services. REV. JAS. PROVAN, Pastor.

Methodist Episcopal Church.

Morning sermon 10:30. Sunday school at 12 m. Devotional meeting of the Epworth League at 6:45 p. m. Evening service at 7:30. Prayer meeting Thursday evening at 7:45. REV. A. P. MOORS, Pastor.

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