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The annual meeting of the Old Residents' association last Friday evening was the most largely attended of any in the history of the society. The capacious sitting room was closely packed and the doorways and halls were also occupied, while it is said that at least 200 persons went away, unable to get within ear-shot of the speakers. This difficulty the committee proposes to avoid another year by having the exercises in one hall and the dance in the other. Those who succeeded in getting in, however, were highly entertained.



PRESIDENT MATHEWSON

President John M. Math ealled the meeting to order and openwith remarks as ed the exer follows:

Pioneers and ls: Once more we come together t grasp each other by the hand, and for a short time to enjoy each other's society. This is the fifteenth annual anniversary of this organization, and we feel glad to see before us such a grand manifestation and interest in its welfare. We have lived among you almost fifty years. In that time we have seen many changes; seen this locality transformed from a wilderness to a garden, from a savage life to one of civilization; seen the rude hut of the savage give way to the mansion of the white man. Where then was heard the wild war whoop is now heard the busy hum of

machinery. Where then stood giant forests, are now fields of waving grain.

My friends, we assisted in the formation of this society, and we have seen its growth and rejoiced at it. We expect it to continue to grow. We do not expect to stay with you more than one hundred and fifty years more, but we expect and hope this society will continue to endure and prosper long after we shall have passed away. And why should it not? One can become a member without money and without price. It only requires a residence in this locality twenty-five years to be eligible to membership, therefore there is no reason why it should not continue to endure and prosper indefinitely. This is the most flattering and interesting meeting we have ever had, and we rejoice at it. The several commit-tees who have had charge of the arrangements, have left no stone un-turned to make this an enjoyable oc-casion. Everything has been done by all (save by the executive officer) to make this meeting a brilliant success and we hope and expect that all who have favored us with their presence

Now, friends, in behalf of the Pion-er Society of the Grand river valley. allow me to bid you welcome a

you with a speech. Again I say to you, one and all, welcome.



A quartet composed of Messre. Reed, Fisher, Gulliford and Chapman then rendered "Grandfather's Garret" which was warmly applauded, as was each of the productions furnished by these excellent singers. Rev. E. H. Shanks invoked the Divine blessing, after which the secretary's report was read. Mr. Hooker reported 231 members last and four added this year. Two members have died since the last meeting. Cash in the treasury \$75.

The president here introduced Toastmaster Hicks who said that Mr. Mathewson had expressed his inability to read Hick's writing, and the toastmaster said the people would shably be surprised to lears that Mr. Mathewson could read at alf.



Stephen B. Knapp responded to the toast of "Pioneer Roads." and spoke as follows:

It required nerve and push in the pioneer sixty-eight years ago to go in-to the wilderness of the territory of Michigan, and it requires nerve to stand up before this large audience and deliver a speech, but as I am called upon by our toast master to talk about "Pioneer Roads," I will say that there were none, or nearly none. I may start from the beautiful city of Detroit and say that there were three roads, or turnpikes, as they were called, leading out from Detroit, one called the Detroit and Chicago turnpike, one the Detroit and Enginaw, then built out as far as Pontiac, and one the Detroit and Fort Gratiot. These were passable when frozen up or for a short time in mid-summer. I will start at Detroit river on the Detroit and Saginaw and say that there was but one mud hole from there to Royal Oak, and that was all the way. and in driving over it your wagon would pitch first one way and then the other like a ship at sea, and one had to brace himself to retain his seat. And then in the country the roads or trails were run as best they could,

A GRAND RE-UNION vite you to make yourselves at home with us and share our hospitality. Our program is somewhat lengthy, and we have with us a number of eloquent twenty miles to gain twelve or fifteen.

The Old Settlers Meet and Talk over Old Times. what was called a Michigan railroad, by cutting timber ten to twelve feet-long and laving them so as to make a-crossing. Frequently, if we wished to-go to a neighbor's or other place wewould get our course or bearings and start out across the woods to the place we wished to go. Any one starting out with a team usually took an ax with him to cut away any tree that might have fallen across the track, or to cut a pry to lift a wheel in case he got stuck in a mud hole.



STEPHEN P. KNAPP.

In 1848 I first visited this place. There was no Lowell here then nor a village thought of. My parents lived in Commerce, Oakland county, and I said to mother, "I am going to Grand River to see Harriet," my sister who had married and moved with her husband, Allen Day, to Keene, Ionia county, they being pioneers of that town. I did not go to the depot and wait for the train, as there was no depot in Michigan, nor did I hitch my horse to my buggy, as we had no bug-gies at that time, but I took my pack on my back and started out on foot, and was three days coming through. I could walk from forty to forty-five miles per day at that time.
In 1847 I brought the first separa-

tor into Ionia and Kent counties, from Birmingham, Oakland county, and it took two weeks to make the trip with two teams.

My time is up.

Miss Hattie Wilson then rendered The Last Rose of Summer"in ber usually charming manner, after which Editor Geo. A. Potts of Saranac came forward in response to the toast "Pioneer Singing Schools." A brief resume of his response follows:

Pioneer singing schools, what were they? When the singing school was a pioneer in this vicinity, in older set-tlements it was an established institution, and on the glad morning of cre-ation the morning stars sang together, this being the pioneer of all.

Music has had a great influence on the emotions and in the worship of

mankind from the early dawn of civilization until the present day. It lulls the infant calmly to sleep, it cheers the warrior to battle and inspires him to victory, it brings a solace to the sorrowful and a balm to the

weary and afflicted.

An incident was related concerning the early settlement of South Boston. In 1840 the young people formed a series of dancing parties and Miss Elizabeth English, who was a good singer, and Elbridge Williams, who possessed the faculty of whistling, were deputed to furnish the dance music and the two used to meet one evening a week to practice, the meeting being the first meeting for the study of music in the settlement. Later Fidius Stocking became the possessor of a fiddle, and Stocking and the fiddle were in such great demand that at a Fourth of July celebration held in Saranac soon after, the two headed the procession, the inspiring strains of the catgut exciting the admiration of young and old.

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CUDDLE DOON.

The bairnies cuddle doon at nicht
Wi muckle fautht an' din:
"Ok try and sleep, ye waukrife rogues,
Your father's comin in"
They never heed a word I speak;
I try to sle a troon,
But aye I hap them up an' cry,
"O bairnies, cuddle doon!"

Wee Jamie wi' the curly held-He aye sleeps next the wa',
Bangs up an 'cries, "I want a piece"—
The riscal starts them a'.
I rin and fetch them pieces, drinks
They stop awee the so in',
Thou draw the biantets up an' cry,
"Noo, weanies, cuddle doon."

But ere five minutes rang, wee Rab Crie out frae neath the claes, "Mither mik Tam ie over at once, He s kttlin w. his taes." The mischief s in tunt Tam for tricks He d bother half the toon But aye I hap them up na' cry, "O barnies, cuddle doon!"

At length they hear their father's fit,
An' as he seeks the door,
Thee turn the ria es to the wa',
While Tam pretenist nore
"Hae a the wears been sude?" he asks.
As he pits aff his shoon
"The bairnie's John are in their beds,
An' lang since cuddled doon."

An' just afore we bed corsel's
We look at our w'e lambs.
Tam has his airm roun' we' Rab's nack,
And Rab his airm ro ind Tam's.
I lift wee Jamie up t ie bed,
An' as I straik each croon,
I whisper, till me heart alls up
"O blirnes, cud ile doon!"

other pieces are for this purpose comparatively hard and tough. The round is generally corned or salted and boiled. It is also used for the lover, but they generally prove utter tered and contained but a few odd and dismal failures when it comes to garments that were rarely brought to light.

The legs the hyperad comparatively hard and tough. The legs the trials and miseries resulting from the tought the trials and miseries r make excellent soup; the head and tail are also used for that purpose.

The other pieces of the animal are generally salted and boiled, or used introduce a new flower is a question

ducing novelties, another turned his time unless you can conveniently lay it on ite or in a spring house.

The best piece of corned beef is the round you may either boil it whole or divide it in halves a taking care that each piece shall have a portion of the fax. Wash it well, and if very sail as ak! it in two waters. Skewer it up compactly in good shape, wrapping the flap pieces firmly around it. The item of the piece shall have a portion of the fax. Wash it well, and put over a moderate first that it may heat gradually all through Coarefully rem we all scan ma air rises.

Just now the chrysanthemum shows are an incentive in this direction, and it is to the fore and there are excellent water, and put over a moderate first that it may heat gradually all through Coarefully rem we all scan as it rises.

And when no more appears keep the holder closely covered, letting it boil slowly and regreatly, with the fire at an equal temperature. Allow three and one-half hours to a piece weighing twelve pounds, and from that to four or five hours, in proportion to the size. Many persons think it best tand they are probably right) to steve corned beef rather than boil it.

If you intend to stew it put no more water in the pot than will bardly cover the meat and keep it grantly simmering over a slow five four office. In carvang a nound of beef hours, according to the size of the powers of the cover o

and the fat quite white. In boying the head see that the eyes look full, plump and lively; if they are dull and sunken the calf has been killed too eng. In buying calves' feet for jelly or soup try to get those that have been or soup try to get those that singled only, and not skinned, as a great deal of gelatinous substance is ontained in the skin.

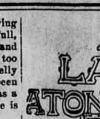
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Veal should always be thoroughly cooked, and naver brought to the ta-ble rare or undone. The least redness in the meat or gravy is disgusting.
Veal suet may be used as a substitute for that of beef, also veal drippings.
Veal is never simply boiled, it is too insipid, but can be stewed, roasted or

In selecting fresh pork the tender-loin is one of the choicest portions, and the sweetbreads are relished by many. The ribs are fine for roasting, but the thick lean cut from along the back is considered more decirable.

when fresh for sonps and stews, when not too fat. If the state of the weather will allow you to keep fresh beef two or three days, rub with salt and wrap it in a cloth. In summer do not attempt to keep it more than twenty-four hours, and not that length of time unless you can conveniently lay it on ice or in a spring house.

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Roast lamb is usually served with unit sance, and roast mutton with mint sance, and roast mutton with current jelly and accompanied with unit sance, and roast mutton with current felly and accompanied with unit sance, and roast mutton with current felly and accompanied with unit sance, and roast mutton with current felly and accompanied with unit sance, and roast mutton with current felly and accompanied with unit sance, and roast mutton with current felly and accompanied with c

separate the shoulder from the breast expression of positive relief gradually and carve the parts separately.

The lover vanished—I was left to bear the burden of the crime our

I want to ask the young woman who and witnessed the repugnance with is soon to take up the blissful task of which I touched its dainty, silken a homemaker if she has ever wasted fabric and she too, had gone back and strangers accepted my explana-

It was the first time I had touched the shawl since it was hung there by my sweetheart's hands on that fatal



are made of the head, heart, liver and sweetbreads. The fish of good veal is firm and dry, and the joints stiff.

The lean is a very light, delicate red, rescued him from drowning.

A child will remember all his life one seemed to reel she was insjudged and as it burnt both she and I could not help thinking how old and yellow pany hale aten, and forget in a day Then, when one dark night just ten or two the occasion when his mother years ago, she ventured out arrayed death had in some mysterious way quite recently deserted it.

filled my soul and quietly I watched and followed.

Strong words ran riot when we met ——the man, Lunetts and myself be neath the guarding branches, and when our passions burst to sudden flame we drew our weapons, aimed and fired with deadly and deliberate purpose.

But Lunetts aprang between me and the man she loved, and when I saw her lying, stretched upon the saw her lying, stretched upon the saw her lying, stretched upon the something in an unused closet, and quite accidentally disloded a garment from its hook, that fell in a "Husband and friend, we have done."

Whas searching for something in an unused closet, and quite accidentally disloded a garment from its hook, that fell in a "Husband and friend, we have done."

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young face.
She too, had seen the garment fall united hands committed. But when

Again her pale face pressed my arm Headache, foul breath, sour stomach, heart-and tears rolled from the gentle eyes, burn or dyspepsia, constipation. but while I kissed the tears away my own heart trembled with its weight of woe, and painful thoughts op-

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And then the dreaded presence came—the omen was fulfilled in substance:

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LOSS Of Appetite,

A splendid feeling to-day and a depressed sectomorrow, nothing seems to taste good, thed, seems and all unstrung, weakness, debility.

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1 Maiden in Peril-At last! At last!



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Looks Like They Were Trying to Secur s Foothold About Nicaraguan Canal.

Washington special: The department of state has received the first official information of the operations of the British naval forces at Bluefields, An Easy Coundrum for the Ladies—
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Canal. It was a dispatch from United
States Minister Baker at Managua.
He says that the United States consul
at San Juan del Norte, Mr. Bra da,
telegraphs him that soldiers from the
British warship Cleopatra had been
landed at Bluefields, and strongly
urges that United States naval vessel
The report of the landing of the
The report of the landing of the
sent there at once.



Sens succor has arrived.



MOSQUITO COUNTRY.

BRITISH TROOPS LANDED WITH . GATLING GUNS.

An Affecting Tale.

Barber—Poor Jim has been sent to as hasne asylum.

Victim (in chair)—Who's Jim?

Visim is my twin brother, sir. Jim base loop been broadin' over the hard has been to consult and the sent there at once.

There is no explanation in the minister's dispatch of the reason for the landing of British forces. The precision for the landing of British at Buseful by the Arrival of the setseme Elliott, Capt. As the strike is the search of the reason for the landing of British at Buseful by the Arrival of the setseme Elliott, Capt. As the strike is the search of the Royal Market British steamer, left Bluefied so of Feb. Standing of British forces. The precision for the British at Buseful by the Arrival of the setseme Elliott, Capt. As the Sharmon at Savannah. The Elliott, which is a British steamer, left Bluefied so of Feb. Standing of British forces. The precision for the British at Buseful by the Arrival of the steamer Elliott, Capt. As the Sharmon at Savannah. The Elliott,

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The boiler of a locomotive on the Lehigh Valley railroad exploded at Tannery, Pa, killing three men. P. Dugan, the engineer in charge, stopped Bueled's is assuming a position of prominent as a position of the trade in tropical fruits, and the fact that it has regular lines of steamers to the United States, Bueled's is assuming a position of the trade in tropical fruits, and the fact that it has regular lines of steamers to the United States, Bueled's is assuming a position of the trade in tropical fruits, and the fact that it has regular lines of steamers to the United States, Bueled's is assuming a position of the trade in tropical fruits, and the fact that it has regular lines of steamers to the United States, Bueled's is assuming a position of the trade in tropical fruits, and the fact that it has regular lines of steamers to the United States, Bueled's is assuming a position of the trade in tropical fruits, and the fact that it has regular lines of steamers to the United States, Bueled's is assuming a position of the trade in tropical fruits, and the fact that it has regular lines of steamers to the United States, Bueled's is assuming a position of the trade in tropical fruits, and the fact that it has regular lines of steamers to the United States, Bueled's is assuming a position of the trade in tropical fruits, and the fact that it has regular lines of steamers to the United States, Bueled's is assuming a position of the trade in tropical fruits, and the fact that it has regular lines of steamers to the United States, Bueled's is assuming a position of the trade in tropical fruits, and the fact that it has regular lines of steamers to the United States, Bueled's is assuming a position of the trade in tropical fruits. gan, the engineer in charge, stopped his engine at Tannery and went into the teiegraph office for orders. During his absence the locomotive was blown to pieces. The three men who were on the engine were killed. John Lennay, fireman; Edward Fox, brakeman. Zill were new hands, having taken the places of Brotherhood men in the late strike. The cause of the explosion was low water in the boiler.

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Am'ck V ndiest-d Everywhere.

Judgment was rendered at St. Louis, Mo., in favor of Dr. Amick, of Cincinnati, against the St. Louis Clinique.

Institute of his treatment for consumption which many physicians there say is the only cure for this disease. A mick keeps his formula to himself and sen is free medicines, proving to the consumptive he can be cured. All this is against the medical code, hence the attack and vindication.

Jr., University.

The German government, newspapeers and steamship lines are advising prospective emigrants not to go to America, at present at least.

Stephen Geer, a milkman 60 years old, was called to his door at Jefferson-ville, Ind., at 2 a. m. and shot through the heart by an unknown assassin.

Kalispell, in the Flathead valley of Montana, has just finished and put in operation a 15th barrel roller flouring mill, the first mill in that part of the country.

It is expected in Washington at the same of the country.

Another Big Canal Scheme.

Washington special: The most important project submitted to river and harbor committee recently, is a new one urged by Representative Keifer, of Minnesota, for the survey of a canal route connecting Lake Superior with the Mississippi river. It is proposed by this plan to utilize the small streams at the source of the Mississippi as connecting links in a canal joining the Gulf of St. Lawrence with the Mississippi.

Cremated in a Harn.

It is expected in Washington that the invest gation by the Dockery commission will result in the abolition of the offices of commissioner and deputy commissioners of pensions.

Fire at Deadwood, S. D., destroyed all that portion of the city lying between the center of Main street and Chinatown. The loss will reach over \$150,000. Insurance \$25,000.

Gov. McKinley, of Ohio, issued a writ for a special election to choose a successor to Congressman Geo. W. Hook, decreased, in the third district. The date of the election on May 1

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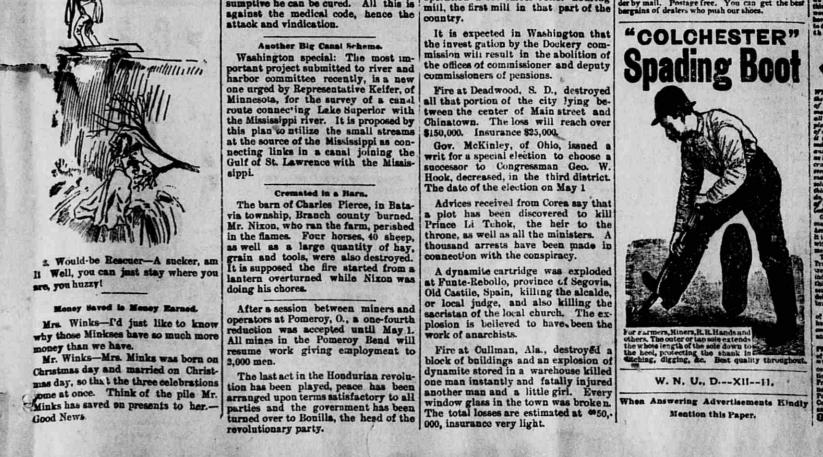
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with never a thought of the wishes of the people whose money they are stealing instead of earning as they might. Congressman Richardson, just tell the next protection Democrat enator you meet that if the Wilson bill passes as daubed up by the senate there won't be enough Democrats in this neck of the woods to shake a stick at. It's hard lines, old fellow, but 'tis true. Don't look for any Democrats shape. There won't be any.

PERSONS occupying the positions of pulpit or on the platform, or with the conditions of public intelligence have undergone a great change within the last fifty years. More rarely now with applause. He spoke in part as than formerly do we find men towerundergone a great change within the than formerly do we find men towering grandly above their fellows. Not that individuals are less able than their predecessors but that the masses are better informed than of yore. Years ago the people awaited the coming of the political orator, that they might learn of the ills of the body politic, the remedies needed and how to apply them. This has changed and the average stump-speaker might learn of his auditors, if he were to change places with them. In the last national campaign, observers noticed with appliause. He spoke in part as follows:

I can assure you it affords me great pleasure to greet my old pioneer gris. No more Stonewall Jacksons coming north with an army, no more General Shermans going south with the grandest army that ever trod the earth, no more blood to be seen on the cotton bales of America, no more cavalry hoofs treading down the farmers' grain. Glory to God, peace on earth and good will to men. That is the motto for every true patriotic pioneer farmer of America.

When man first came from the hands of his Creator he was a farmer. The first real pioneer farmer that I know anything about was good old Noah, who had a grand idea of a republican form of government or rather perhaps I should say democratic. Any way the old pioneer was not a prohibithan formerly do we find men tower- follows: that whenever a speaker approached a vital subject, that the audience always anticipated his thought before it was often drowned in applause, unheard yet understood. The same condition of affairs confronts the religious speakers or today. A gentleman of the foundations of all human progthat the foundations of all human progour acquaintance informs us that
when the scripture lesson is read at
church, he can almost invariably
select the text of the sermon that is to
follow, and then anticipate the main
features of the discourse. What does
this mean? Only that the masses are
waking up and overtaking their
would-be leaders. How has it come
sabout? Through education and a free,
sabout that the foundations of all human progress are in the hands of the farmer, and
where his comfort and prosperity have
been the chief concern of governments
there we find the highest standard of
civilization. Why did Egypt and the
Roman empire stagger and fall? Because they crushed with a cruel hand
the honest tillers of the soil. God created the farmer to begin with, and all
down through the ages his loving eye
has been upon the tillers of the soil.
As the years roll on we find the best
Joseph Hamilton has

A Grand Re-Union.

The pioneer singing school was held in the old log school house, its floor of puncheon, its seats inverted slabs; was lighted with tallow candles and the only musical instrument was a tuning fork. The teacher was usually a farmer of the neighborhood, who had obtained a smattering of music down east;" and yet, with all its simplicity, more good singers were devel-oped then than now. The style of music in vogue in those days was described by the speaker, and some of the ludicrous effects of the fugue me were mentioned and the recollect ions of one of the early schools were

briefly given.

In closing, the following allusion was made: "The memory of those THE House Committee on Election it is a memory that is hallowed with THE House Committee on Election of President and Vice President has taken a popular step in agreeing to recommend an amendment to the Constitution so as to have the United States Senators elected by the people instead of by legislatures.—[Democrat. \*\*

If the United State senate is Democratic, then away with Democracy. Occratic, then away with Democracy. Stiff-necked, bull-headed millionaires

It is a memory that is hallowed with age, yet is ever pleasant, ever fresh and green. But few of those who sang so sweetly in the days of yore, are surgers now on earth. Age and disease have broken the once strong voices of the few that remain, and many have crossed the silent river. But I take pleasure in the thought that I shall again meet them and join with them in singing in 'that land where enjoyment will never grow old, over the river of death.'"

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sponse to the toast "The Pioneer Far- south to-day. Our sons of the north

waking up and overtaking their would-be leaders. How has it comes have the summer to begin with, and all with the sum of the possible of of the

and bomb throwers that come to our shores to-day. Where did Patrick Henry come from, the man who fired the American heart to strike for liberty and self government? He came from the farm. Abraham Lincoln, in my opinion the grandest man that ever trod American soil, came from the farm. Where did our noble women come from, the Willards, the Potter-Palmers who stand side by side with the best men in America? Farmers'

daughters.
Well, I would say that I am glad to well, I would say that I am glad to see both old and young so happy here to-night. Long may the old pioneers of Grand river valley live to enjoy these yearly gatherings, and may we go to our homes, pointing one another to the grand old landmarks of pioneer

Look at the unity and good feeling



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Octon Hill was in Grand Rapids Tuesd Francis King was in Freeport Monday. residence about April 1, after which he will

Pronibition townshi hall, Friday, March 23. Democratic township caucus hall, Saturday March 24.

II. A. Peckham is home from and may remain permanently. George Wilson is here from Cadilas and will move his family here soon.

Geo. Roop has sold his oilbusiness to Chas, Aldrich who will collect accounts. John W. Hines and L. A. Scoville of is very poor. Vergennes township Democratic cancus one day last week and hee llessly pied a

here this spring which is a good sign for

spending a few weeks with her sister. Mrs. is hoping that Charley will meet with

cordially invited to attend.

Thomas Gardner and wife will return soon from California to make preparations to move to that far off state. Charles A. Church has leased the

ton of Irving, Barry county, Mich. Messrs, Chas. A. Church and O. C. Mc-Dannell M. D. have bought out the Lumber Ice & Coal company of this place.

Friday evening March 16. Everyo

The lecture on "Siam" by Rev. D. Bradley at the Congregational church been postponed to Monday evening. March Childs & Crofoot report the att

at the rink so encouraging that they wish to mnounce that they will continue to conduct

hay scales for Wm, Bates of Ionia this week. this week. He says that his wife's health

at Water school house on Monday March lot of type and then walked out without even an "excuse me." Lack of bringing

Harrison died last Sunday of inflamation o the bowels and the remains were brought to this place for interment on Monday, the funeral taking place on Tuesday.

Attorneys at Law, Mrs. Ina Loucks Rowland of Ithica is his livery barn for a term of years. Here We respectfully solicit your

Godfrey of Freeport were in town last Saturday afternoon.

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of typhoid pneumonia on Sunday last, aged about 50 years, after a short illness. Fun. Jane Scribner purchased of Lydia eral was held on Wednesday at the Snow Calls are collected from the established Parker March 9, Lot 5 block 25, R. & W. school house. He leaves a large family, slates of the Line 50 minutes before D.

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Chas. H. Westbrook has purchased the

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Mr. Doyle of Vergennes who is about to baild a new house, shipped lumber for that purpose from Arkansas.

The L. O. T. M. will hold a sugar social

March 28, in Maccabee hall. Friends are

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The Lowell Cutter factory has been furnished with a new blow pipe and dust arrester system. The company has also pur-Charles A. Church has leased the Geo.

Bisby farm in Vergennes to Sid McNaugha side track to the factory from the L. & H.

Henry Jones lot 57 in Sweet and Smith's evening while wrestling in the Athletic addition to Loweli, consideration \$150.

B. G. Wilson has the contract to repair leg below the knee in three places. When the residence of D. G. Look, who has gone his companions found that he had really to housekeeping in rooms over his store.

The Epworth League will hold a sugar

W. Fallas and had him taken home.

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FOLE TO HANDS or thred hands that to led so hard for me Airest before me now I see them lying, noy tolled so hard, and yet we could not see Phat she was dying.

Poes, rough hands that drud red the live-! day, still busy when the midnight oil was burn-Of tolling on until she saw the gray

1f I could sit and hold those tired hands.
And fee the warm life-bleed witain them beating.
And aze with her across the twilight lands.
Some whispered werd repeating.

I think to-night that I would love her so, And I could tell my love to her so truly. That con Lough tired, she would not to : o. And leave me thus unduly. Poor, tired heart that had so woary grown. That death came all unheeded o'er it cree;

Of drudging household tell its highest That is d aside its precious yearnings there

How still it is to sit here all alone.

bring him love and affection. All fear of discovery and conviction, rethat remained to her now was to go suiting from the earl's newly-reaway—far away—far away from him and from the world, to some spot where, forgotten by those she knew. September, 186 ), said:—

"The Morning News, of 16th Making it rich and like a hip in bloom—And he sweutlined in the presence, there who, ere he had put on his ghostly uise, for many years was went to advertise.

know you better now than I ever did.
and your father's guilt can bring no stain to you."

At that moment, on a sudden, a fierce, fiendish, unearthly roar graw into a h ndred deafening crashes not far from them. The very earth seemed to tremble, and their frightened eyes were blinded by a fiery glare. Thunder-crash, and a perfect halestorm of iron and stone rained about them without touching them.

David and George Maclane's hell
Tremens at the Hotel des Etrangers and the fired day and sait the Hotel des Etrangers. And is mine ene?" selded exertly Ben About With a frown came the answer: "Nay, not so!"

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despair, wringing her hands in voiceless, tearless torture.

He ga ed at her long and intently, drawing his breath in vain efforts to speak. At last he clutched his hair, petrator or perpetrators of this erime, and we are happ; to add that "Your father and your cousin mur
"Your father and your

not know ere this what I owe to you? cerning the explosion at eedon why do I remember it only now " Lodge, Hallifor -on hames, becomes When the picture of that fearful daily more appalling. It has now train is being built so that it can be the lower Umzimkulu division. The escene was completed, and he had not pushed her from him in disgust as horribly mangled remains of the two speed down from eighty to thirty the daughter of an assassin: when he men killed by the explosion are miles per hour within five seconds. had only found words of praise for those of Mr. David Maclane and Mr. Great power has to be used and what she deemed but her duty hum- George Maclane, two American mil- every pa t of the apparatus has to be by d ne. the warm fountains of her honaires, residing at The Boltons, perfect to stand the strain. were loosened, and Lucy found Sout a Kensington, who had lately balmy tears. Her heart- attracted a very great deal of attenstrings, skylned to breaking nearly, tion in condon society, Mr. David Flectric light is being used as a gain made tender music. She Maclane having been engaged to be bait by fishermen who ply their callagain male tender music. She stooped to him and obeying her gentle impulse, he rose to his feet.

They were both overstrung in mind. Sir William had permitted them to walk in the garden and they stepped out into the sweetly cool How long they walked up and down there, with barely a word spoken now and then, neither of said:

| Dated breash whether the Maclanes erally end in their being hooked are the yictims or the o iginators of while trying to swallow the glass globules.

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.. No doubt whatever remains at them knew.

The heavens glittered with their the present moment that the wretched one has a gray river flowing into its Eanopy of stars, and the ghost y men. George and David Maciane, belight of the moon spread like a came, by the intervention of an avenging P.o. idence, the victims of the other. Eleven miles of the head their own flengish scheme to assassin. canopy of stars, and the ghost y men. Geo:ge and David Maclane, betheir own flencish scheme to assassintheir own flencish scheme to assassintheir own flencish scheme to assassinwith the gray glacier grit of the
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Rhone. side of the house, where a bench the authorities hat David and George by ited them to a momentary rest. Maclane were the men who at-It was now Lucy's turn to open her heart. He knew all, a l that she had hoped to hide from him—her father's mountains, and that it was David peared in a Kirscheva, Bavaria, palorime, her cousin's guilt. Her task the terrible wounds which had my wile Annie. Whoever has found was ended, she said; fairer hands brought about his total loss of mem- her is begged to keep her. He will han hers would smooth his path—a ory. The motive for this second at- be handsomely rewarded.

worthier woman than she would tempt on Lord Cleve's life was the oring him love and affection. All fear of discovery and conviction, re-

were suffering.

He started up as if in fright.

"You want to go away, Lucy?" he oried. "You want to leave me because your father is guilty? You the truest woman on earth! No, Lucy: I tleman, who has died of delirium know you better now than I ever did, tremens at the Hotel des Etrangers.

"The English consulate at Paris has received information that a very large sum of money in notes of the bank of France bank of England and bank of France has been found upon the body of Herbert Vavasour, an English gentleman, who has died of delirium know you better now than I ever did, tremens at the Hotel des Etrangers.

No papers or documents of any kind

ered Dick Ashland—and you—you deted Dick Ashland—and you—you saved my life."

He fell down on his knees, and dragged himself to where she stood, and covered her cold hand with kisses.

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closed by saying that the distress and suffering of these latter days might be laid to the fact that our people are more selfish than those of the pioneer days when every man was willing to share his last crust with his neighbor.

The male quartet then, sang "Who Built the Ark?" and the only criticism offered on the production was that it was too short. The audience seemed intensely anxious to ascertain who it was that built the ark.

Attorney Charles Wilson, of Sarsnac, then responded to "The Advance Guard of Civilization," and held the large audience to the finish, while he spoke as follows:

Ladies and gentlemen of the Old Resident's Reunion:

This is my first appearance at your meetings, and I am glad to be with you, and join in the exercises and festivities of the occasion.

It is possible, that heretofore I have been waiting for time to add a few more years to convince me, that I am an Old Resident, and somewhat

advanced in age.

We would all—or most of us would undoubtedly—remain in the meridian of life and continue to call ourselves young men and women, were it pos-sible in nature so to do. But in making our progress, we are admonished that time is fleeting, and—ere we wish to acknowledge it, we are forced to admit, that we are on the declivity, and fast approaching the termination of that lease of life, commonly a lotted to man.

We are indeed gathered here tonight as old residents. of Michigan, and as such, many are known as pioneers. Some of the older settlers are more entitled to this term than others. They came earlier into the wilderness. Others came following on their trail, or diverging into different sections of the country, at different periods of the olden time, All these we may classify together, the old, the young, the middle aged, as

pioneers of the frontier life. Referring to them as the advance guard of civilization, what can I sav of them and their day?

In attempting to do justice to this sentiment, I am at a loss for words to adequately express as much as I would in the few moments that have so

kindly been given me. The pioneer of a new country, is much like the pioneer of the army, who goes before, to build bridges and clear the way for the advancing forces. They each brave the dangers, hardships and privations, and go forthin a measure-for the like purpose of civilizing the country. One by the baser methods of warfare, the other by the more exalted and humane sentiment of "peace on earth and good will to man."

The pioneers of America, who came n the old world-many of themht refuge here from oppression teranny.

dumbus, the discoverer, who first known and cleared the way for civilization, William Penn, his religious brethren, who d Philadelphia, imbued as they

who landed upon Plymouth Rock, and began their historic achievements in reclaiming the country from the savage state, with many others were the advance guards of civilization upon American soil, and are entitled to all the praise that we of this generation are qualified to bestow.

You here to night, with others who are absent, were principally descendants of those early pilgrims, and you migrated hither with equal, if not stronger, sentiments of civil and religious freedom. The germ of liberty and justice had been growing for many years. The old settlers brought it with them into this new country, they learned to love it as they did the hearth-stones of their family firesides. They inculcated it into the minds and hearts of their children, made it the rule and guide of their progress, and laid the foundations of future greatness, for themselves and posterity.

Truly did they perform well their part in planting the Liberty Tree in the forests of Michigan. They came from the East, bidding farewell to old homes and associations, with heavy, but stout and ambitious hearts. They came, as the "star of the Empire. They came, as the "star of the Empire. was taking its western course," settling here and there in rough and isolated huts to subdue the wilderness, and prepare it for the advancement of civil life. Little did they dream that in so short a space all the nations of the earth by their representatives, with specimens of their progress in the arts and sciences, would be gathered together so near the place of their humble habitations, where the praise and glory of Columbus, and the advancement of civilization would be heralded in prese, song and exhibition, as was in prese, song and exhibition, as was so recently and magnificently accomplished at the world's fair in the proud city of Chicago. Little did these old settlers realize that the work they engaged in would form such an important factor in the development of the country, and the vast improvments in civilization we now behold about us.



EX-SECRETARY NASH.

In looking backward upon that portion of this eventful history within my memory, I first mark the spot where my father's emigrant wagon forded the river at Saranac, and am reminded of the fright I experienced at the impending danger, and I call up the recollection that soon after this event be became engaged in business as tayern-keeper in a dwelling house on the corners, in connection, with the runping of a saw-mill purchased of that most worthy and respected pioneer, the late Cyprian Hooker. And I do not forget that in that tavern your humble servant was utilized as dish-washer, and on washing days was engineer of the pounding barrel, and that he continued in such industry until he was promoted to the position of cabin boy on the steamboats plying between Grand Rapids and Lyons, first on the old "Porter" and then on the "Nawbeck" under chief Cooks, Billy Matice and Jee

In my retrospection I remember the noble red-men of the forest who had their hunting and fishing grounds upon the banks of our rivers and lakes, and I recall their extensive traffic in baskets and venison in ex-

change for fire-water and pork. I am also reminded of the husking the spirit of religious and the quilting, the paring and horning bees, the fiddling and dancing, the fun, frolic and amusements, and that in those gleeful times the "one string" country fiddler, assisted by some sweet whistler in their dulcet notes, performed an important part in emergencies, and particularly when it was not practicable to procure the more modern and soul irspiring music of "Fid" Stocking, "Uncle Chappy," Claffin, Robinson, Howe, Stowe and Chapman.

In the advancement of time, I also behold the approach of the railroad and the departure of the old Indians the Cob-moo-sas, the Was-saga-sikes and others, with their sq naws and papooses, and the disappearance of many of the usages and landmarks of former days. In the progress of civilization the changes have been many and wonderful:

The old treading mill has ceased to grind, The flail no longer threshes; The rickle, scythe and cradle are little used, And the trundle bed has gone to ashes.

The old spinning wheel has lost its head, The dinner horn is up the spout, The pounding barrel laid by its pounder, And the old tallow candle has flickered out

In their places have come to us, more useful implements of industry, and more convenient articles for our comfort and repose.

I must say to you, however, that progress in civilization does not bring progress in civilization does not bring with it the most happiness in life. The life of the early settlers, while they braved the elements and bore the privations of their pilgrimage, nevertheless, I think, was blessed with greater happiness than the life of those who possess the full measure of this advanced age. The old pioneer enjoyed himself much more in working around his humble cabin, chopping the forest or breaking the land and in his rude way, providing shelter, food and pro-tection for his family, than the aristo-crat or millionaire of to-day, under his heavy burden of luxury and great wealth. The father felt much better over the prospects of his son, who had learned to labor in honest toil for his daily bread than the father to-day whose son has no necessity for labor. The mother, whose daughter learned to cook, knit and spin, felt as much happiness in thus preparing her for her sphere in life as the mother now, who permits not her daughter to soil her delicate hands with common labor.

The pioneer boys had to yell, sing and whistle, many times under trying circumstances. It is true they did not indulge in the advanced music of toindulge in the advanced music of to-day, and when they sang and whistled they had to whistle and sing such tunes as "Old Dan Tucker," "Hi Biddy Martin," "Hey, Jim along Joe" and "Old Zip Coon," while the so-called "kids" of to day are permitted to waltz up and down the avenues, with their pompadores in front of their hats, whistling or singing, in extraordinary similitade, such charming melodies as similitude, such charming melodies as "After the Ball Is Over." But I apprehend the pioneer boy was just as happy in his singing and whistling as it is possible for boys to be. The fair maiden of the pioneer life, with her freshness of health and complexion, dressed in her home spun gown and gingham apron, with her hair scalloped, or in ringlets, was as much an object of beauty as the equally beau-tiful damsel of to-day in her silks, satins and modern bangs.

Tis not the beautiful case the diam wears, that makes it brilliant. Now in conclusion, my friends: In reviewing the reccollections of old associations and recalling our old acquaintances, we discover that many of the old guard have been dropping out of the ranks, and are still passing away; and as they depart from us we see and greet them no more. New blood and new enterprises continue to come upon the stage of action, and to vie with each other in the onward march of progress.



Old settlers: Grand and glorious have been the improvements along life's journey. Let us keep up with the procession as long as we may. As veterans we are entitled to our old ways and notions, and to follow them if we wish. But progress is the great work of human laborers. Many, many arg the evils that grow up to accomp- floor, manager I. B. Malcolm proposed

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any the good. Let us discard the three cheers for the band and presented at evils, accept the good; and live long to enjoy the triumples of the early days. May we have many re-unious "Auld Lang Syne."

Miss Lela Farlin then furnished a piano solo, "The Gates Ajar," with variations, which was pleasing and well received, and was followed by the quartet in "My Old Ox Team."

This concluded the program, and officers were elected as follows: President, John M. Mathewson: Secretary, J. S. Hooker; Treasurer, C. G. Stone. The former vice presidents hold over.

After singing a stanza of "Auld Lang Syne" the company broke up. About 200 partook of the excellent supper spread by Mr. and Mrs. Train, and 150 numbers were sold for the dance, music for which was turnished hy L. J. Robinson, O. Claffin, Geo. Kellog and J. Mattern. They did so well, that "After the Ball was Over!"

each member with a silver dollar.

We present herewith, a few familiar of the old residents, and be able to join in the chorus of "The Old Oaken Bucket," "Home Sweet Home" and them. We hope to present others in faces, with an apology to the ladies our report of the next meeting, which the LEDGER earnestly hopes that all present at this meeting, will live to attend.

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Geo. A. Potts and wife, Richard Vo S. M. Crawford and C. L. Wilson, attended the annual meeting of the Old Settler's association. The first two remained over Saturday and Sunday the guests of S. P. Hicks and wife. The Ledger acl edges a pleasant call from brother Potts.

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