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WHOLE NO. 324.

The City Bank.

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Commercial and Savings Departments
Interest paid on time certificates.

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If Your Wife is Sick

or your cook is cross or for any other reason you don't want to go home to your dinner or supper, go to

Smith's Bakery

and get a cup of that fine coffee and a lunch and you will be happy.

KILLED BY LIGHTNING.

Maud M. wife of W. W. Hull at Rockland.

A sad fatality occurred at Rockland, Ontonagon Co., Wednesday night, Sept. 6, which the wife of W. W. Hull was killed by lightning. One of the worst storms ever known there came up in the night. Mrs. Hull sprang from her bed, dressed, and stood in the middle of the floor making some laughing remark to her husband. Just as she did so a bolt came down the chimney, killing her instantly, shattering doors and windows and shocking Mr. Hull who also was in bed.

Maud M., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Kennedy of Manistee, was born in Canada. Sept. 12, 1869. When a child she came to Michigan with her parents. She was a graduate of Manistee high school in '91.

June 28, '93, she married William W. Hull and in July following they went to the Upper Peninsula, where they have since made their home.

Funeral services were held at Rockland on Thursday conducted by Rev. Poiser, and the remains were brought to Manistee for interment, where further services were conducted by Rev. Broady, her former pastor, on Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Hull is well known here, having lived in this vicinity since his birth and he has the sympathy of the entire community in his bereavement.

Mrs. M. J. Kopf Injured.

Mrs. M. J. Kopf met with quite a serious accident Saturday evening. While driving over town the horse became frightened at an ash heap near the D. & M. depot and in jumping from the carriage she tripped on her dress and fell, the horse tramping on her and fracturing two ribs and inflicting quite a serious cut on her head. Dr. McDannell was called and she was made as comfortable as possible.

Woman Drawn for Jury Duty.

Grand Rapids, Mich., September 8. It was discovered to-day that in the recent drawing of jurors for the Superior Court of this city, the official selected a woman to serve upon the panel. They found the name of C. J. Meigs upon the list returned by the aldermen and it was drawn out of the box. When the sheriff went to hunt for Meigs to-day he found that it was a woman who owned the name; that she is a property owner, and that her name was taken from the assessment rolls by the aldermen without any personal acquaintance. It is probable that she will respond for the opening of the term and then be excused by the court, with one day's pay to her credit.

Michigan State Fair.

The fiftieth annual fair of the Michigan State Agricultural Society is to be held at Grand Rapids, September 25-29th.

The annual fairs of the society have been uniformly good exhibitions of the material interests of the State and we understand that the officers are putting forth efforts to make this the banner fair. A fine premium list has been issued and a number of special attractions are promised which can be seen free every day of the fair.

Meeting of the Sovereign Grand Lodge I. O. O. F. at Detroit, September 18 to 23, 1899.

For the I. O. O. F. Sovereign Grand lodge meeting at Detroit September 18-23, the Grand Trunk Railway System will make one first class limited fare for the round trip from all its stations in Michigan and Indiana. Tickets will be on sale to the public on September 16, 17, 18, 19 and 20, which will be valid to return up to September 30 inclusive. The big day is on Wednesday, September 20, when the grand parade takes place, which will form at about two o'clock. For this day a special train will be run at a very low rate on the D. & M. Division from Grand Rapids and all stations to Detroit. This is a rare opportunity to visit Detroit. For particulars, ask all agents Grand Trunk Railway System.

Michigan State Fair, Grand Rapids, September 25th to 30th.

For the above, the Grand Trunk Railway system will make One Single Fare for the Round Trip from all its stations in Michigan plus 50 cents for admission ticket. Tickets will be on sale September 25 to September 30, both dates inclusive, and valid to return to September 30, 1899.

HOME NEWS.

John Nicklen was in town Tuesday. Frank Marsh spent Sunday in Ionia.

Mrs. Geo. Giles was in Ionia last week.

Guns and ammunition cheap at R. D. Stocking's.

C. E. Clark has had new tar walks laid on his residence lot.

James Nicklen returned from his visit in Canada, Saturday.

Mrs. S. W. Taylor of Kalamazoo is visiting friends in this village.

C. O. Lawrence is going out of the clothing business. See his adv.

F. M. Johnson and family spent Sunday with friends at Walker Center.

Miss Maggie Robens visited friends and relatives in Grand Rapids over Sunday.

Miss Lulu Anderson went to Portland Friday where she will teach school.

Robt. Hunter, Jr., has returned from an extended visit with relatives in Dakota.

Messrs. and Mesdames Phil Althen and Harry Lee were in Grand Rapids Sunday.

Devello Watters, Leo Waish, Car Speaker and Roy Hill were in Grand Rapids Sunday.

Mrs. Ida McCabe of Milwaukee is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Solomon Cooper.

Miss Bertha Robinson of the Probate office spent Sunday with her mother in Lowell.

J. S. Adams and wife spent several days with Portland friends and returned home Monday.

You will find the latest styles in hats, shirts, neckwear, collars, cuffs, hosiery, etc., at J. T. Webber's, Ionia.

An Orion man harvested four bushels of peaches this season off the same trees that last season bore 1,200 bushels.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Julian Mosher (nee Annie Hunter) twins, a boy and girl, the girl living but a short time. Weight 6 1/2 lbs. respectively.

C. Guy Perry has the appointment of mail carrier for the new Lowell rural delivery. Good appointment. The job is said to be worth \$600 a year.

By order of the president, the woman's Missionary Society of the Congregational Church will meet at the home of Mrs. M. M. Perry, Friday Sept. 15, 3 P. M.

If any of our readers need a fall or winter suit or overcoat it will pay them well to investigate the immense stock of new stylish that J. T. Webber of Ionia, is showing. Mr. Webber sells goods very cheap for cash.

If any of our readers want one, two, three or four days of pure and real enjoyment, they should visit the Ionia street fair and carnival. Everything is free. You don't have to spend a dollar. Read the program in this issue.

Kalamazoo's big beet sugar factory is being hustled along to completion, nearly all of the machinery being in place except the electrical work. October 15 is the date set for the starting of a trial run to test the machinery.—[The Detroit Free Press.

Mrs. Wm. Barnett accidentally stepped over an open trap door—way one day last week and went down solidly to the cellar bottom. The fall cut a gash in her head and bruised her up badly but no bones were broken and she is getting along nicely.

We hereby acknowledge receipt of subscriptions from E. A. Anderson at Maple Valley, Washington and Clair Falls at Salt Lake City, Utah. The latter adds the following postscript to his order: "I am having a grand time here in the west and all that I have seen of this country is all right and the Mormons too." Much obliged to you both, boys.

The Epworth League lecture course for next winter will consist of ten numbers, two concerts, three entertainments and five popular lectures. Price for the course has been placed at \$1.00. Those who have patronized the Epworth League courses in the past will not hesitate to avail themselves of the opportunity thus afforded.

South Haven being located in a local option county, the tipplers have got their liquor from the drug stores, and to stop this the temperance people of the village are trying to secure 500 \$10 subscriptions to start a strictly temperance drug store to drive the others out of business, and thus cut off the local supply of booze.—[Detroit Free Press.

FODDER TWINE

—AT—

CLARK & SPRAKER'S

WHEELS

MUST GO.

At this time of the year, needing the money invested in them and also the room they occupy for pianos, organs and sewing machines, I shall offer the greatest inducements on my entire stock of

HIGH-GRADE BICYCLES,
ALSO TIRES AND SUNDRIES

I shall also put up some one wheel at **LESS THAN HALF PRICE EVERY SATURDAY** as an extra drawing feature to my low priced sale. Only one of a kind will be furnished at the price and who will be the lucky one to get it? Remember the place,

R. D. Stocking,

1st door east Marks Ruben's,

I will close out all of the

Clothing and Gents' Furnishings

formerly belonging to the firm of Godfrey & Lawrence

AT COST...

to make room for my FANCY CHINA and HOME FURNISHING GOODS. This line must be closed out

AT ONCE...

to make room for my Holiday Goods which will soon be here. Come early and secure a good bargain while they last,

C. O. LAWRENCE...

Bargain Sale

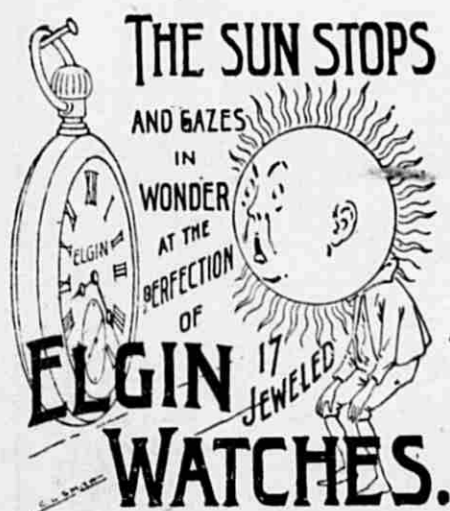
Whips at Cost. We have a large stock of good whips that we will close out at cost Commencing this date. Come early and get a good Whip before they are gone.

We will also sell Oil and Gasoline Stoves at cost to close.
Yours for good goods,

R. B. Boylan.

WATCH OUT Lest Your Sight Fail!

Take care of your eyes before the light goes out entirely and it is forever too late.



Impaired Vision.
Whether the result of disease, inherited deficiency, violation of natural laws, or old age, can never be accurately estimated and corrected by the use of "test letters" in the selection of glasses; a method so universally practiced by traveling opticians or "occulists" and tradesmen, who keep glasses to sell; but who are ignorant of the construction and physiology of the eye and the evil effects following such a system of guess work. Remember this and save your eyesight. Scientific examination free of charge.

A. D. OLIVER,

JEWELER

OPTICIAN.

Michigan State Fair

Will hold its Fiftieth Grand Exposition at GRAND RAPIDS, SEPT. 25 to 29, 1899.

16 Grand Departments.
12 Extra Special Attractions Free.
12 Good Races.

Every Reader of this paper specially invited

Half fare and excursion rates on all railroads. Live stock and race entries close Sept. 16th. All other entries close Sept. 23.

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I. H. BUTTERFIELD, Secy.

A few extra bargains left in wheels at R. D. Stocking's.

I have a few second hand sewing machines that are in first class order that I will sell at from \$3 to \$5 each. Will sew as good as any new one.
R. D. Stocking.

EXCURSION NOTICE

DET. GD. RAPIDS & WEST

Detroit, Sunday, Sept. 24.

Probably the last one this year. Train will leave Elmdale at 7:35 a. m. Leave Detroit at 6:30 p. m. Rate \$1.50.

Geo. DeHaven, G. P. A.

Ask Your Family Doctor.

If he knows of any cure for piles which is equal to Dr. A. W. Chase's Ointment. Ask your druggist if he has any other preparation that he can recommend with the same confidence as he does Dr. A. W. Chase's Ointment. Dr. A. W. Chase's Ointment has a record of cures unparalleled in the history of medicine. Only 50 cents a box at all dealers.

Good work horse and two well-bred yearling colts for sale cheap.
N. B. BLAIN.

The finest toned square piano in Kent county will be sold for \$75. Call at this office.

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F. M. JOHNSON, Publisher.

LOWELL, MICHIGAN

Evolution lies more in walk than in talk.

Love levels all things except its own monotony.

A wheel in the hand is worth two in the repair shop.

A homely woman who is vain doubts the accuracy of mirrors.

The difference between love and dyspepsia is merely a matter of years.

A young man seeking a quiet spot to kiss a girl should avoid her mouth.

Some people's idea of a necessary evil is one they don't want to abolish.

When your enemies speak ill of you, act in such a manner that people won't believe them.

Results impress us more when we are ignorant of the process by which they are attained.

Somewhat a man never appreciates the silver lining of the cloud when he gets caught in a shower.

One-half the world may not know how the other half lives, but sometimes a man knows his better half lives on the alms.

When a spinster tells you she is single from choice, it may be owing to the fact that all the men of her acquaintance chose other girls.

It requires no preterhuman force of will in any young man or woman to get at least half an hour out of a solid busy day for good and disinterested reading.—John Morley.

Apprehensions seem to be felt in some quarters lest the United States may act with undue haste in the matter of giving the Cubans independence before they are competent to govern themselves. The United States is pledged not merely to give independence to Cuba, but to "establish a stable government" there. To give the former without providing the latter would be equivalent to the creation of another revolution-plagued republic. This is so generally understood that few Americans are in favor of making haste about cutting loose from Cuba, especially as long as the Cubans do not become discontented with the delay.

In his letter, as president, to the American Bar association recently held at Buffalo, Ambassador Joseph H. Choate said: "The law's delays, which seem to be constantly on the increase, may well engage the earnest attention of the association. No opportunity should be lost to counteract the inevitable tendency to elaborate procedure and unnecessarily multiplied appeals." These words were well said. Justice delayed is more than justice denied; it is justice impaired. Time is of the essence of the matter. Tardiness is a vital defect in Anglo-Saxon justice, and is not offset by resultant regularity or precision.

The Boston Herald calls attention to the fact that Harvard is to have a new telescope of a unique kind, enabling it to do certain work impossible to any other now in existence. For many years the race among observatories has been to secure the telescope with the largest aperture. All these great lenses have been made by Alvan Clark, and beginning with that of the old University of Chicago, which had a lens of eighteen inches, the size has gradually increased, as shown in the following table:

	Inches.
Old University of Chicago.....	18
Princeton.....	23
Washington observatory.....	26
Pulkowa (Russia) observatory.....	30
Lick observatory.....	36
Chicago observatory (Yerkes).....	40

Consciously or unconsciously, the demagogue adopts this philosophy. Flattery is his method and his stock in trade. It catches the unthinking multitude; it pleases the shiftless and the flabby of intellect; it excites the lazy and the unsuccessful. By its selfish and dishonest men lead the honest and simple-minded to their own undoing. It is our misfortune that nearly all of us are likely to be caught by the sweetness of the flatterer. The editor has heard a lawyer tell a country jury how great an honor it was in the ancient days to be a Roman citizen and what responsibility that citizenship carried with it. "But, however great the honor, dignity and responsibility of Roman citizenship," continued the lawyer, "it was as nothing compared with yours! You are citizens of Buncombe county—every man a sovereign!" And he supposed that kind of stuff would influence the jury to decide in favor of his client.

The improper use of hypnotic power may induce mental deterioration or even insanity. This power, which may yield a specialist important results and do the subject no harm, easily works serious mischief when ignorant or designing men make it serve their pleasure or their profit. Where good judgment does not control and limit the application of hypnotic influence, the law ought to intervene to restrict its exercise and to protect unthinking or venturesome persons from the grave dangers connected with it.

TALMAGE'S SERMON.

"MUSIC IN WORSHIP," SUNDAY'S SUBJECT.

Nehemiah 7: 67: "And They Had Two Hundred Forty and Five Singing Men and Singing Women"—Children of the Heavenly King.

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The best music has been rendered under trouble. The first duet that I know anything of was given by Paul and Silas when they sang praises to God and the prisoners heard them. The Scotch covenanters, hounded by the dogs of persecution, sang the psalms of David with more spirit than they have ever since been rendered. The captives in the text had music left in them, and I declare that if they could find, amid all their trials, two hundred and forty and five singing men and singing women, then in this day of gospel sunlight and free from all persecution there ought to be a great multitude of men and women willing to sing the praises of God. All our churches need arousal on this subject. Those who can sing must throw their souls into the exercise, and those who cannot sing must learn how, and it shall be heart to heart, voice to voice, hymn to hymn, anthem to anthem, and the music shall swell jubilant with thanksgiving and tremulous with pardon.

Have you ever noticed the construction of the human throat as indicative of what God means us to do with it? In only an ordinary throat and lungs there are fourteen direct muscles and thirty indirect muscles that can produce a very great variety of sounds. What does that mean? It means that you should sing! Do you suppose that God, who gives us such a musical instrument as that, intends us to keep it shut? Suppose some great tyrant should get possession of the musical instruments of the world, and should lock up the organ of Westminster Abbey, and the organ of Lucerne, and the organ at Haarlem, and the organ at Freiburg, and all the other great musical instruments of the world—you would call such a man as that a monster; and yet you are more wicked if, with the human voice, a musical instrument of more wonderful adaptation than all the musical instruments that man ever created, you shut it against the praise of God.

"Let those refuse to sing
Who never knew our God;
But children of the Heavenly King
Should speak their joys abroad."

I congratulate the world and the church on the advancement made in this art—the Edinburgh societies for the improvement of music, the Swiss singing societies, the Exeter Hall concerts, the triennial musical convocation at Dusseldorf, Germany, and Birmingham, England; the conservatories of music at Munich and Leipzig, the Handel and Haydn and Harmonic and Mozart societies of this country, the academies of music in New York, Brooklyn, Boston, Charleston, New Orleans, Chicago, and every city which has any enterprise.

Now, my friends, how are we to decide what is appropriate, especially for church music? There may be a great many differences of opinion. In some of the churches they prefer a trained choir; in others, the old-style precentor. In some places they prefer the melodeon, the harp, the cornet; in other places they think these things are the invention of the devil. Some would have a musical instrument played so loud you cannot stand it, and others would have it played so soft you cannot hear it. Some think a musical instrument ought to be played only in the interstices of worship, and then with indescribable softness, while others are not satisfied unless there be startling contrasts and staccato passages that make the audience jump, with great eyes and hair on end, as from a vision of the Witch of Endor. But, while there may be great varieties of opinion in regard to music, it seems to me that the general spirit of the Word of God indicates what ought to be the great characteristics of church music.

And I remark, in the first place, a prominent characteristic ought to be adaptiveness to devotion. Music that may be appropriate for a concert hall or the opera house or the drawing room may be inappropriate in church. Glees, madrigals, ballads, may be as innocent as psalms in their places. But church music has only one design, and that is devotion, and that which comes from the toss, the swing and the display of an opera house is a hindrance to the worship. From such performances we go away saying: "What splendid execution!" "Did you ever hear such a soprano?" "Which of those solos did you like the better?" When, if he had been rightly wrought upon, we would have gone away saying: "Oh, how my soul was lifted up in the presence of God while they were singing that first hymn!" "I never had such rapturous views of Jesus Christ as my Savior as when they were singing that last doxology."

My friends, there is an everlasting distinction between music as an art and music as a help to devotion. Though a Schumann composed it, though a Mozart played it, though a Sontag sang it, away with it if it does not make the heart better and honor Christ. Why should we rob the programmes of worldly gaiety when we have so many appropriate songs and tunes composed in our own day, as well as that magnificent inheritance of church psalmody which has come down fragrant with the devotions of other generations—tunes no more worn out than they were when our great-grandfathers climbed up on them from the church pew to glory? Dear old

souls, how they used to sing? When they were cheerful our grandfathers and grandmothers used to sing "Colchester." When they were very meditative, then the boarded meeting house rang with "South Street" and "St. Edmund's." Were they struck through with great tenderness, they sang "Woodstock." Were they wrapped in visions of the glory of the church, they sang Zion." Were they overborne with the love and glory of Christ, they sang "Ariel." And in those days there were certain tunes married to certain hymns, and they have lived in peace a great while, these two old people, and we have no right to divorce them. "What God hath joined together let no man put asunder." Born as we have been amid this great wealth of church music, augmented by the compositions of artists in our own day, we ought not to be tempted out of the sphere of Christian harmony and try to seek unconsecrated sounds. It is absurd for a millionaire to steal.

I remark also that correctness ought to be a characteristic of church music. While we all ought to take part in this service, with perhaps a few exceptions, we ought at the same time to cultivate ourselves in this sacred art. God loves harmony and we ought to love it. There is no devotion in a howl or a yelp. In this day, when there are so many opportunities of high culture in this sacred art, I declare that those parents are guilty of neglect who let their sons and daughters grow up knowing nothing about music. In some of the European cathedrals the choir assembles every morning and every afternoon of every day the whole year to perfect themselves in this art, and shall we begrudge the half-hour we spend Friday nights in the rehearsal of sacred song for the Sabbath?

Another characteristic must be spirit and life. Music ought to rush from the audience like the water from a rock—clear, bright, sparkling. If all the other part of the church service is dull, do not have the music dull. With so many thrilling things to sing about, away with all drawing and stupidity. There is nothing that makes me so nervous as to sit in a pulpit and look off on an audience with their eyes three-fourths closed, and their lips almost shut, mumbling the praises of God. During one of my journeys I preached to an audience of two or three thousand people, and all the music they made together did not equal one skylark! People do not sleep when we come to a Savior's crowning.

In order to a proper discharge of this duty, let us stand up, save as age or weakness or fatigue excuse us. Seated in an easy pew we cannot do this duty half so well as when upright we throw our whole body into it. Let our song be like an acclamation of victory. You have a right to sing; do not surrender your prerogative. If in the performance of your duty, or the attempt at it, you should lose your place in the musical scale and be one C below when you ought to be one C above, or you should come in half a bar behind, we will excuse you! S III, it is better to do as Paul says, and sing "with the spirit and the understanding also."

Again, I remark church music must be congregational. This opportunity must be brought down within the range of the whole audience. A song that the worshippers cannot sing is of no more use to them than a sermon in Choctaw. What an easy kind of church it must be where the minister does all the preaching and the elders all the praying and the choir all the singing! There are but very few churches where there are "two hundred and forty and five singing men and singing women." In some churches it is almost considered a disturbance if a man let out his voice to full compass, and the people get up on tiptoe and look over between the spring hats and wonder what that man is making all that noise about. In Syracuse, N. Y., in a Presbyterian church, there was one member who came to me when I was the pastor of another church in that city, and told me his trouble—how that as he persisted in singing on the Sabbath day, a committee, made up of the session and the choir, had come to ask him if he would not just please to keep still! You have a right to sing. Jonathan Edwards used to set apart whole days for singing. Let us wake up to this duty. Let us sing alone, sing in our families, sing in our schools, sing in our churches.

I want to rouse you to a unanimity in Christian song that has never yet been exhibited. Come, now, clear your throats and get ready for this duty, or you will never hear the end of this. I never shall forget hearing a Frenchman sing the "Marseillaise" on the Champs Elysees, Paris, just before the battle of Sedan in 1870. I never saw such enthusiasm before or since. As he sang that national air, oh, how the Frenchmen shouted! Have you ever in an English assemblage heard a band play "God Save the Queen"? If you have, you know something about the enthusiasm of a national air. Now, I tell you that these songs we sing Sabbath by Sabbath are the national airs of the kingdom of heaven, and if you do not learn to sing them here, how do you ever expect to sing the song of Moses and the Lamb? I should not be surprised at all if some of the best anthems of heaven were made up of some of the best songs of earth. May God increase our reverence for Christian psalmody, and keep us from disgracing it by our indifference and frivolity.

When Cromwell's army went into battle he stood at the head of it one day and gave out the long-meter doxology to the tune of the "Old Hundredth," and that great host, company by company, regiment by regiment,

division by division, joined in the doxology:

"Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host—
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost."

And while they sang they marched, and while they marched they fought, and while they fought they got the victory. O, men and women of Jesus Christ, let us go into all our conflicts singing the praises of God, and then, instead of falling back, as we often do, from defeat to defeat, we will be marching from victory to victory. "Gloria in Excelsis" is written over many organs. Would that by our appreciation of the goodness of God and the mercy of Christ and the grandeur of heaven, we could have "Gloria in Excelsis" written over all our souls. "Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen!"

THE COMING CENSUS.

On the first day of next June, census enumerators in the various districts assigned to them will start forth to count the population and to acquire such other information as congress has decreed shall be a part of the twelfth decennial census of the United States.

These enumerators will have two weeks in the cities and four weeks in the country in which to gather their information, and will count each person as belonging to the city or town of which he was a legal resident on June first.

Whether this is the best time in the year to take the census has long been in dispute. Previous to 1830, August first was the date on which the count began. This shows that the summer vacation habit had not then developed. June is now almost too late. Most students of statistical science think April or May would be a better time, and Mr. Carroll D. Wright, in a census bill which he drafted a few years ago, made April first the date for beginning. Congress was conservative, however, and preferred to make no change; but by 1910 it is probable an earlier month will be chosen.

The objection to beginning the enumeration on June first comes from the cities, most of which are ambitious to show as great a growth as possible. When the census reports are not as favorable as had been expected, the cry of "inaccuracies in the census" is usually raised. It is doubtless true that the summer migration to the country does result in some errors and oversights in an enumeration begun in June.

The Christmas holidays are a favorite time for census taking in Europe, but in America the heavy snows of the Northern states would make any winter month impracticable. Even in April the country roads in the extreme North are heavy with mud, and travel is almost impossible.

The difficulty in fixing a date adapted to all parts of the great republic is a forcible reminder of the extent of its territory and the diversity of its climate and physical conditions.

A Henry Clay Story.

An old negro and his wife, who had found freedom through Clay's efforts, made their home in Washington, where the old man, with the assistance of some white folks, turned an unused barn into a meeting-place for religious services. He was indefatigable in his efforts to collect a sufficient fund to supply a pulpit, and so on. One Sunday morning he was walking along Pennsylvania avenue, when he happened to meet the great Kentucky senator. "Well, Bob," said the senator, "what are you doing out so early Sunday morning?" "Sarvant, Marse Henry; sarvant, sah. You know de early bird ketches de worm." "Oh, you are worm-hunting, are you?" "Yes, Marse Henry. I wants to ax of you, won't you help me some 'bout my little church." "No, indeed," said the senator; "I'll not give you a cent. I gave you something not long ago to help you with that church." "Yes, Marse Henry, dat's so, sah; you did indeed, sah, an' dat's a treasure laid up for you in heben, sah." "Oh, it is, is it?" and Clay moved on. Turning suddenly, he said: "Come here, Bob, come here." Taking from his pocket a roll of bills, he continued: "Here is \$30 I won at cards after sitting up all last night. Now, if you can reconcile the use of money gotten in that way to church purposes, take it along." Old Bob bowed and pulled his cap. "Sarvant, Marse Henry; thankee, sah. God do move in a mystery way His wonder to perform! Thankee, Marse Henry; thankee, sah!" —The Argonaut.

Built Her Nest on a Pulpit.

Cincinnati Enquirer: Glenville, W. Va.—At Vadis, this county, a member of the congregation found a bird's nest on the pulpit of the M. P. church containing five eggs. The nest was built of a variety of flowers that had been placed on the graves of soldiers on Decoration Day. The bird is now setting, and a glass of water has been placed near the nest for the bird to drink. The members are greatly agitated and think the appearance of the bird is a token of death.

Bond of Friendship.

"I never can forget Mabel Meadows, whom I went to school with."
"Was she so studious?"
"No, but she always brought with her lovely cucumber pickles with her luncheon."

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Lumber, Lath, Shingles and Cedar Fence Posts.

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Do You Wear Clothes?

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CHAPTER I.

Five o'clock on a July afternoon—an afternoon hot everywhere, hottest of all here in London; a dreary, shadeless house in a dingy square; a small upstairs room—half schoolroom, half sitting-room; an open window, at which much dust, much sunshine and little air came in; and near the window, sitting rigidly upright in a low chair meant for lounging my Aunt Jane, talking reasonably, mapping out my future life for me tranquilly, but with decision.

I sat and listened in silence; Meg, leaning back against the cushions of the shabby little sofa, put down her novel to listen, too. Dora, with her sewing in her hands, became suddenly indolent. Aunt Jane talked on and on one interrupted.

I fancy I hear her still—her calm, even, unemphatic tones, that expressed such rational sentiments, such unromantic, excellent common sense. When I shut my eyes the whole scene comes back to me. I am seventeen again, a schoolgirl still, in a little shabby, out-at-elbows frock, with my hands hot, my fingers ink-stained, and my open school books spread out before me; and once again the fear of Aunt Jane is falling upon me like a weight.

Aunt Jane made cowards of us all; we never dared to oppose her plans. When she spoke decisively we were accustomed to assent with meekness. And of all Aunt Jane's household I was the meekest member, not because I was by nature more meek than others, but because Fate had unkindly used me and had made me a poor relation in Aunt Jane's house. Meg and Dora dared sometimes to smile derisively as they carried out her tyrannical orders—dared to obey her with a little air of indifference and grand carelessness, as though their obedience was a matter of choice and their choosing to obey were an accident; but then Meg and Dora were her stepdaughters—not her nieces; house room,

Jane commanded. "We had quite a long talk—John Mortimer and I. Of course he sympathizes with us; he knows that our means are not unlimited, and that we have Meg and Dora to provide for; he knows all that we have done for you all these years, and of course, too, he cannot help feeling that things would have been different if his father had acted uprightly. He feels most keenly all that you have suffered through his father; but he cannot do more than he means to do. He means to take you off our hands as soon as possible; he is waiting to speak to you himself. He thinks he ought to wait, so he says, until you are less of a child. And I must say, Kate, that for a girl of seventeen your manner is most foolishly, most absurdly childish, and most misleading."

Another pause followed. Aunt Jane rose from her chair and stood at the window, looking down with a disapproving glance at the dusty square and a waxy little errand boy who was seated on his basket, resting. Presently, with a sigh of relief, she turned to us again.

"The more I think of this, the more satisfactory it seems," she declared, reflectively. "I hope you feel, Kate, how good of him—how considerate of him—such an offer! You are such a child still; in the ordinary course of things you could not have expected a home of your own for years to come. You must have gone out as a governess—that was inevitable—your uncle and I could not have maintained you in idleness. And how many governesses marry, I wonder? But you understand, of course, that John Mortimer was speaking to me, Kate, in confidence; you are to know nothing of the matter. He wishes to say nothing to you as yet. You are to behave quite naturally, remember, but to strive to talk pleasantly and sensibly to him and to impress upon him that you are not a child. That is why I am telling you this. If he means to propose to you,

each other, decided that the situation was comic, and laughed merrily.

"He's a paragon!" said Meg. "Poor little Kitty! Will you like to marry a paragon?"

For a moment I had hesitated, scarcely knowing whether to laugh or cry. The girls' merriment decided me; a lump seemed to rise up in my throat; the tears filled my eyes, overflowed, and fell fast upon my open Euclid."

"Why, Kitty—crying! You are never crying!" laughed Dora, in mock reproach. "My dear, this is base ingratitude! Reflect—let us reflect on his virtues."

"Turn up your pigtail at once, Kitty," interrupted Meg, with gravity. "The paragon objects to pigtails—to the juvenility of them. Let down your frock, my dear; the paragon will never think of addressing a young person who shows her heels and the holes in her stockings. Dry your eyes, Kitty, my child; take comfort—the paragon means to marry you."

Their merriment seemed heartless; I would not answer. I clasped my hands tightly above my forehead, and gazed at the open page of my Euclid, which my tears would not let me read.

"But what does all this mean?" said Dora presently, in a musing tone. "Has he really spoken to mother—and why? He can't be in love with you, Kitty; he's old—quite old—gray-haired or nearly, and you're a little chit of a high school girl—not clever, not rich, not anything—not even pretty."

"No, I know," I agreed, with humility.

"Then why does he want to marry you?" persisted Dora.

"Because he is a paragon, dear, said Meg.

I looked up at her with a swift, tearful, inquiring glance.

"Yes, that's it," I echoed drearily. "I understand—I understand it all; it's because—because he is so good."

"Perfect!" corrected Meg.

"Yes, so perfect," I agreed. "He wants to be kind and to make things better for me; I always knew that he was trying to be kind. When he talks to me he is always so gentle—so much more gentle than when he talks to you. I know why it is—I have always known. He is thinking of that money of mine. It hurts him to remember that his father took it away from me and made me lose it all. He wants to prevent things from being horrid for me, and so—so he has thought of this."

My tears were falling fast on the open pages of my Euclid. There was a spell of silence in the room; no one contradicted my explanation of John Mortimer's motive. Through my tears I looked up at Meg and Dora, and read in their faces that they agreed with the explanation. How could they but agree? His motive was all too clear. His father, old Roger Mortimer, had been my guardian, had speculated with my little fortune and had lost it. John Mortimer was taking up the burden of his father's sins and follies, and I was one of the burdens. He meant to marry me—it was his plan of compensation. We all understood it clearly; Aunt Jane approved, the girls were merry, and I sat and wept with passionate, helpless indignation. (To be continued.)

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Philadelphia Record: A new method of graining has just been brought from abroad by which any one without any skill whatever can do a job of graining much better than nine-tenths of the painters who pose as first-class grainers. The marking is done by means of absorbent paper. It is not a transfer paper, but is of the nature of a prepared blotting paper, which is always used dry, the wood graining being always painted thereon. The figure shows the mode of application. After a coat of oil color is given to the surface which it is designed to grain, it is painted over again with a sap color or graining stain. The imprinted portion of the graining paper absorbs the sap color, while the printed parts which show the various wood grains are prevented by a chemical used in its preparation from absorbing the color. The natural grain left upon the surface can be softened if desired. The grain of every variety of hard wood used in building and cabinet work can be easily reproduced by these simple methods. A large number of grainings can be made with a single copy of the paper, each having a different appearance. The paper is put up on the usual widths of wall paper, and in rolls, and there are sixteen different kinds of graining.

Bogus Art Gems in Victoria Museum.

Many pieces of sculpture and carving in the Victoria and Albert Museum were discovered some time ago to be spurious. Now bogus paintings have also been found, among which are two supposed constables, which have proved to be imitations. The museum is a favorite resort of American tourists, and until these discoveries was supposed to contain an unblemished collection of art curiosities.—Pittsburg Dispatch.

Not in His Line.

Teacher—"If I had four herring and gave half a herring to each of three boys, how many herring would I have left?" The scholar is silent. Teacher—"I am surprised that you can't answer. I should have two herrings and a half left." Scholar—"I could have told you, teacher, if you had asked me about apples. You see, I don't eat herring."

He—I knew you would make a fuss if I tried to kiss you. She—How did you know? He—I had been warned.—Detroit Free Press.

DREYFUS STILL HAS HOPE.

Believes He Will Be Given His Liberty October 15.

OTHERS NOT SO SANGUINE.

Probability That the Ten Years' Imprisonment to Which He Was Sentenced Will Begin from Date of Last Trial—Esterhazy's Opinion.

Rennes, Sept. 12.—Dreyfus is neither broken-spirited nor in despair. On the contrary he is more hopeful than could be expected under the circumstances. His chief concern seems to be for his wife and children.

He is convinced that the ten years' imprisonment to which he is sentenced will be wiped out by the five years of solitary seclusion he has undergone on Devil's island, and he expects to be released by Oct. 15, which will be five years from the date of his former condemnation. General opinion indorses this view, but Maitre Demange and the clerk of the court-martial both say he must serve the ten years unless he is pardoned. He is displaying remarkable fortitude. Dispatches state that it is unlikely he will again have to undergo the ceremony of degradation.

Esterhazy Calls Trial a Farce.

London, Sept. 12.—Major Esterhazy comments on the verdict in the Dreyfus case, in the Evening News, saying Dreyfus was justly condemned, as the inevitable result of the evidence collected by Gen. Mercier. This, according to Esterhazy, bore conviction to the minds of the judges, and he added, the court martial, "following the previous finding, declared Dreyfus guilty and me innocent."

Continuing, Esterhazy said: "I believe the sentence was in accordance with an understanding with the government. Dreyfus is in a position to claim a reduction of his sentence by one-half. The whole business was a farce, arranged in advance, and, doubtless, he will soon be liberated."

The afternoon newspapers of this city are unanimous in their denunciation of the verdict in the court-martial of Capt. Dreyfus, and they term with abuse of the system "producing such a decision."

May Cause Defeat of Treaty.

Washington, Sept. 12.—The Dreyfus verdict is attracting much attention throughout official quarters, but naturally those in responsible positions whose opinions would be valuable are reluctant to express adverse comment because of the national aspect of the case. The feeling is general, however, in favor of Dreyfus, and a strong sentiment has developed against the injustice to which, according to the prevailing belief, he has been subjected. Some of the officials express fear that this sentiment will have a serious effect on the Franco-American treaty when it comes before the senate, as that instrument has not proved very popular and the present feeling may turn the tide against it.

Germany Talk of a Boycott.

Berlin, Sept. 12.—It is rumored that a committee composed of leading manufacturers here is being formed for the purpose of preventing German participation in the Paris exposition of 1900.

CONVICED BY MULHOUSE VISIT.

Was the Turning Point in the Dreyfus Trial at Rennes.

Rennes, Sept. 12.—It was the Mulhouse incident that caused the conviction of Dreyfus. This was one trifling point against him which he could not clear up. His unfortunate equivocation and insufficient excuse gave to the hostile majority among the judges the opportunity they wanted.

Dreyfus, an officer of the French headquarters staff, was in Mulhouse at the time of the German maneuvers. He even went there secretly, without permission, which it was his duty to obtain from his chief of staff. He swore in his evidence at one time that he did not leave the house at Mulhouse. At another time he admitted having ridden past a field in which the German troops were maneuvering. Throughout the whole French army it is known that Dreyfus could not have been at Mulhouse at the time of the German maneuvers without the knowledge and consent of the German authorities. He, however, had not taken out a passport. In other words, a French officer in a highly confidential position pretends to go to Switzerland and then goes secretly to Alsace without permission or passport, and is not molested at all by the Germans. This seems suspicious, and this is the main ground in a case of wholly presumptive evidence on which he was found guilty.

A strong effort will be made for pardon. Mathieu Dreyfus says influential signatures to a petition have been promised, since Germany is establishing the fact that Dreyfus is absolutely innocent, so far as Germany is concerned. Five of the judges also will sign the petition, Mathieu hopes, and all eventually may consent. Lubet is an extremely merciful man, so there is a strong probability that he will, sooner or later, set Dreyfus free.

J. H. Burley Dend.

New York, Sept. 12.—J. H. Burley, who was removed from the steamer Lampasas at quarantine to the Swinburne Island hospital last Thursday, died today. The body will be cremated. Burley's relatives at New Albany, Ind., have been notified of his death. The other patients at the Swinburne Island hospital are improving.

BOYS WHIPPED BY MACHINERY.

New Engine of Discipline Introduced in Scotch Schools.

Airdrie correspondence London Star: I specially visited the mud row, situated between Tollcross and Carmyle, about eight miles from Airdrie, this afternoon, to interview the lads who recently received the first honors and four stripes from the newly acquired whipping apparatus at Airdrie. The apparatus is shaped like the breast-piece of a violin, is about five feet long by three feet broad. The boy is fastened on by leather straps on his arms and knees and the weapon is an ordinary birch rod. "You show up the Airdrie authorities," said the mother of a lad named Allen to me. I asked him, a bright wee chap of 10—if he would like to visit Airdrie again. The boy was equal to the occasion and promptly answered no. He was the first to be birched; he had four stripes, and all he has to complain of was that the man waited such a long time between the strokes. He was not favorably impressed with the executioner. He was a big man, says he, with a great big red face—and a doctor looked on. He did not smile when he received the first lash; it was very sore (Anglice, painful). It felt like a big bunch of "jaggy" leather. A brother said he would have paid £5 if he could have prevented the lad being lashed. The other boys spoke in the same strain and did not relish the introduction of machinery, though the punishment appears no more degrading than a school birching. That is a form of school discipline unknown in Scotch school schools, where palmies, or strokes on the palm of the hand with a cane, is the prevailing method of administering punishment.

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Lord Rosebery at Eton.

Lord Rosebery is said to have been the very pink of neatness and propriety at Eton; he always walked very erect and always had a smile on his face. He used to read a good deal of history, and was fond of newspapers and parliamentary reports, but did not distinguish himself either in sports or scholarship.

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Town Line Tidings.

D. Sargent and wife attended the birthday party of his sister, Mrs. L. Cory, of Grand Rapids, Wednesday.

Geo. Murray is working on the New railroad.

Mable Merriman resigned her position in the Snow district and Fred Haskins of Ada has filled the vacancy.

Mrs. Emily Murray has purchased a new carpet loom.

Martin Boughner and wife of Portland visited friends here last week.

At the annual school meeting James Green was elected assessor.

Mrs. Clinton Snow is visiting her parents in Newaygo.

Zack Lewis has returned from Kalamazoo.

Charlie Tibbos of Grand Rapids spent Sunday with C. Reynolds and wife.

J. J. Tidd visited in Hopkins and Yankee Springs last week.

M. J. Wooding had a sister from New York state visiting him last week.

The Snow M. E. Sunday school will attend the Sunday school convention at Whitneyville next Sunday.

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Alton.

Cyrus Ring and wife of Belding have been visiting his brother, E. Ring several days this week.

Mrs. Ab. Snelair and Fern Bachelor are visiting relatives in Rockford.

Mr. and Mrs. Simmons spent Sunday in Alto.

The railroad men are working night and day here.

Mr. and Mrs. Simmons spent Sunday in Alto.

Maudie Condon and Nina Vanderbrock spent several days in Keene last week at Geo. Couvresse's.

Mrs. Jennie Keech was on the sick list last week.

Nelson Lewis was in Belding Monday.

C. R. Porter and wife visited in Belding Wednesday.

Special meeting of the Maccabees last Tuesday evening.

Mr. Livingston was here last week and started a lodge of Gleaners. Next meeting Thursday evening at Grange hall.

Mr. Vanderveen of Cannon was here last week looking for his 14-year-old boy who left home.

Will Herrington and wife of Cannonsburg spent Sunday with his sister, Mrs. D. Church.

C. R. Porter and wife spent Sunday in Ada.

Mrs. Adams of Grand Rapids is here to organize a L. O. T. M. live.

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South Lowell.

Lee Osborn of Logan commenced school in this district Monday.

LeRoy and Homer Darby spent part of last week with parents at Lake Odessa.

John Hill of Blendon is visiting his aunt, Mrs. John Paulus.

Dan Laver is ill.

Miles Easterby has returned to Grand Rapids after a visit with his father and family.

We wish to congratulate Bert Willet who returned Thursday from Crystal bringing with him a bride.

Jay Ellis of McCords was on our street Monday.

About 50 of the friends of Rev. A. B. Johnson took possession of the parsonage Monday evening. Ice cream and cake were served and a very enjoyable time spent.

Mrs. Mary Lusk of Saranac visited in this vicinity Thursday and Friday.

Mrs. Robert Loveland and son of Dakota are visiting at Ralph Loveland's.

South Boston—Eldredale.

Visitors at A. P. Burrs are George Remington and family and Mrs. Bert Remington and son of Ionia.

Mrs. J. Lusk of Saranac visited in this vicinity last week.

Ethel Stannard and Ethel Taylor are attending school at Alto.

Mrs. Elmer Richardson and family are visiting John Christie and family.

Mrs. Addie Wood is on the sick list.

vergonnes.

Mrs. D. S. Blanding has gone to New York state to visit her mother and other relatives.

James Smith and wife of Lowell Center spent Sunday at G. W. Crosby's.

Mrs. Ed. Dickson went to Paris township Friday to visit her daughter, Mrs. Seth VanWormer.

Della James commenced teaching the Walters' school Sept. 4, but had to resign on account of sickness.

Bessie Tate of Lowell is teaching the fall term of school here.

There were two horses killed by lightning at Wm. H. Parker's farm last week.

Mrs. John Brangan of Grand Rapids was a recent guest of Mrs. Ed. Dickson.

Dell Krum was called to Dakota last week by the serious illness of his son, Hollie, who went there several weeks ago to work in the harvest.

Carl and Della James have gone to Muskegon, where the former will try his fortune working and the latter for her health.

BRIDGET.

The celebrated Chamberlain loaded shells, either smokeless or black powder, for sale by R. D. Stocking.

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Keene.

Nina Vanderbrock of Otisco commenced school at Church's corners Monday morning.

Lucy Medaugh has resigned her position at Ionia and is going into the millinery business in Ohio.

The ladies of the Marble cemetery society will meet with Mrs. R. N. Sparks Wednesday, Sept. 20. Election of officers.

Mary Brower is very sick.

Carrie Kennedy is teaching in the Taskar district.

Mrs. Charley Heath of Grand Rapids visited at B. F. Wilkinson's Wednesday.

Mrs. George McKay was called to Newaygo Monday by the illness of her brother, Niles Hart.

School began last Monday at Potter's corners with Maudie Fashbaugh as teacher. Truman Pratt is building an addition to his house.

Clyde Aldrich returned from Dakota Wednesday.

Mrs. Charles Lamplins went to Belding Wednesday to visit her aunt, Mrs. Bradley Stone, and returned Sunday.

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Could not express the rapture of Annie E. Springer, of 1125 Howard street, Philadelphia, Pa., when she found that Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption had completely cured her of a hacking cough that for many years had made life a burden. All other remedies and doctors could give her no help, but she says of this Royal Cure: "It soon removed the pain in my chest and I can now sleep soundly, something I can scarcely remember doing before. I feel like sounding its praises throughout the universe." So will every one who tries Dr. King's New Discovery for any trouble of the Throat, Chest or Lungs. Price 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottles free at L. H. Hunt & Co.'s Drug Store; every bottle guaranteed.

Grattan-Vergennes.

Minnie Malone is the owner of a new bike.

Chas. Jakeway is drying apples in Middleville.

Jennie Rennels went to Grand Rapids Saturday.

Otis Bibbler is riding around in a new buggy.

Herbert Jakeway went to Middleville Tuesday to assist his uncle in the dryer.

Dan Howard is on the sick list.

MIDGET.

Robbed the Grave.

A startling incident, of which Mr. John Oliver of Philadelphia, was the subject, is narrated by him as follows: "I was in a most dreadful condition. My skin was almost yellow, eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually in back and sides, no appetite—gradually growing weaker day by day. Three physicians had given me up. Fortunately, a friend advised trying 'Electric Bitters,' and to my great joy and surprise, the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks, and am now a well man. I know they saved my life, and robbed the grave of another victim." No one should fail to try them. Only 50 cents a bottle at L. H. Hunt & Co.'s Drug Store.

Lowell Center—Alto.

Frank Whitney and Mrs. Anna Whitney and children of Irving are guests at Levi Burrass's.

Mrs. Marion McKee gave a very pleasant tea party Friday afternoon in honor of Mrs. Agnes Kopf of Texas. Supper was served for about 20.

About 20 of the friends of Mable Kinyon planned a pleasant surprise for her Saturday, the occasion being her 14th birthday.

Lida Blakeslee and Bell Kinyon are attending the select school at Alto.

George Oberly of Fowlerville was at home over Sunday.

Oscar Kayburg and Myrtle Easterlee visited in Chicago several days last week.

Mable Johnson of South Boston is a guest of Vera Blakeslee.

Levi Burrass and wife spent Sunday with their daughter, Mrs. Elmer Paine, at Cloverdale.

LeRoy Whitney of Ada died Sunday, Sept. 3, of consumption, at the age of 20 years. The funeral was held Sept. 6.

A CRY FROM NATURE.

A Warning That Should Be Heeded by Every Sufferer.

Nature soon rebels when the human machinery is out of order. Her appeals for help should be quickly answered. Life is so short and dear to us to neglect our health.

When the system becomes run down, the blood impure, the liver torpid, nerves all on a quiver, and the stomach refuses to do its work, then nature utters her warning note. It may be a sick headache, nervousness, dyspepsia, catarrh, loss of appetite, insomnia, languor, constipation, but it is nature's signal of distress.

The human machine should be attended to without delay.

The system needs building up, the impurities must be driven from the blood, the liver made to do its work and the stomach placed in a natural, healthy condition.

Knox Stomach Tablets are a new combination of Vegetable remedies compounded by one of the best chemists in the world; and are guaranteed to build up the whole system. They do not act as a stimulant, but are a sarsaparilla in tablet form, containing twice the medicinal properties of any other combination of remedies known. They give health and strength to the entire body and immediately relieve indigestion and positively cure dyspepsia.

A single box will prove their power to cure chronic invalids and make them strong, healthy men and women.

If unable to secure Knox Stomach Tablets of your druggist, send fifty cents to the Knox Chemical Co., Battle Creek, Mich., and a full sized box will be sent postpaid.

ratt Lake.

Asa Fletcher will make Lowell his future home, having rented his farm.

Rev. A. B. Johnson went to Ionia Wednesday morning to attend conference.

The funeral of Wesley Gilley was largely attended. The procession was over half a mile long and a great many could not get into the church.

Asa and Levi Fletcher and their wives spent Saturday and Sunday at Muir.

The following officers were elected in the Epworth League for the coming year:

Pres. M. D. Sneathen, 1st Vice, A. J. Andrews, 2nd Vice, Mrs. Freeman, 3rd Vice, Mrs. Kimble, 4th Vice, Mrs. Andrews, Secy., Miss Freeman, Treas., T. H. Parsons, Organist, Mrs. Parsons.

Mrs. A. I. Shellenberger of Ackley visited at Rev. A. B. Johnson's last week.

Notice to Wheelmen.

We, the undersigned, do hereby agree to refund the money on a 25 cent bottle of Henry & Johnson's Arnica and Oil Liniment, if it fails to cure lumps, bruises, scratches, chafes, cuts, strains, blisters, sore muscles, sunburn, chapped hands or face, pimples, freckles, or any other ailments requiring an external application. Lady riders are especially pleased with Arnica and Oil Liniment, it is so clean and nice to use. Twentyfive cents a bottle; one three times as large for 50 cents.

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PROBATE ORDER.

State of Michigan, County of Kent, ss. At a session of the Probate court for said county of Kent, held at the Probate office, in the city of Grand Rapids, on the 7th day of September in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety nine.

Present, Harry D. Jewell, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of RICHARD GILES, deceased, Agnes Giles having filed in this court her petition praying that the administration of the same be granted unto Albert Heffron or some other suitable person, it is ordered that Monday the 9th day of October, 1899, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate office, be appointed for hearing said petition.

And it is further ordered, that a copy of this order be published three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Lowell Ledger, a newspaper printed and circulating in said County of Kent.

HARRY D. JEWELL,
Judge of Probate.
ALVIN E. EWING, Register.

Order of Publication.

State of Michigan, The Circuit Court for the County of Kent: In chancery.

At a session of said court, held at the court house in the city of Grand Rapids, in said county, on the 21st day of August, A. D. 1899.

Present, Hon. Allen C. Adsit, Circuit Judge.

LULU MAY PALMERTON,
vs.
CLAUD PALMERTON,

Defendant.

In this cause it appearing from affidavit on file, that the defendant, Claud Palmerton is a resident of this state, but residence is at present unknown to the complainant. On motion of Edward O. Mains Complainant's Solicitor it is ordered that the appearance of said non-resident defendant Claud Palmerton be entered herein within five months from the date of this order, and in case of his appearance that he cause his answer to the bill of complaint to be filed, and a copy thereof to be served on the Complainant's Solicitor within twenty days after service on him of a copy of said Bill and notice of this order; and in default thereof, said Bill will be taken as confessed by said non-resident defendant.

And it is further ordered, that within fifteen days the Complainant cause a notice of this order to be published in the Lowell Ledger a newspaper printed, published, and circulating in said county, and that said publication be continued therein once in each week for six weeks in succession, or that she cause a copy of this order to be personally served on said non-resident defendant at least twenty days before the time above prescribed for his appearance.

ALLEN C. ADSIT, Circuit Judge.
Examined, Countersigned and entered by me.
JOHN A. VANKERK,
Deputy Register.

EDWARD O. MAINS,
Complainant's Solicitor.
true copy JOHN A. VANKERK,
Deputy Clerk.

MORTGAGE SALE.

Whereas default having been made in the payment and conditions of a certain mortgage dated September 14th, 1874, executed by Milton M. Perry and and Lenora S. Perry his wife of Lowell, Kent county, Michigan, to David M. Miller of Vergennes in said county and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Kent County, Michigan, September 17th, 1874, at 8 o'clock a. m., in Liber 59 of mortgages on page 37. Said mortgage was afterwards transferred by the last will and testament of said David M. Miller, deceased, to Sabrina E. Lobdell residuary legatee and sole executrix of said will, which was duly proven, and a copy of which was recorded in said register's office, December 30th, 1896, in Liber 262 of Wills, Power of Attorney, etc., on pages 152, 153 and 154. Subsequent thereto said Sabrina E. Lobdell died intestate leaving an estate in said county and Bradley N. Lobdell was duly appointed by the Judge of Probate of said county, administrator of the said estate, a copy of which appointment was recorded in said Register's office November 30th, 1896, in Liber 262 of Wills, Power of Attorney, etc., on pages 138 and 139. Upon which mortgage there is claimed to be due and unpaid at the date of this notice of principal and interest the sum of six hundred, thirty-two dollars (\$632) besides an attorney's fee of thirty dollars, provided in case of foreclosure, and no proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the same or any part thereof notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the premises therein described to satisfy the amount due thereon with interest and cost of foreclosure, and such sale will be made at public auction to the highest bidder December 1st, 1899, at 2 o'clock p. m. at the front (north) door of the court house in the city of Grand Rapids, Michigan, that being the place of holding the Circuit Court for the County of Kent; said premises being described as follows, viz: All of village lots numbered one (1), two (2), three (3) and four (4) in block number twenty-nine (29) of Richard's & Wickham's plat of the village of Lowell in the county of Kent and state of Michigan.

Dated September 6th, A. D. 1899.
BRADLEY N. LOBDELL,
Administrator.

PAUL C. KING,
ATTORNEY AND COUNSELOR AT LAW.
Office over Lowell State Bank,
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Waverly Hotel, Monday, Sept. 18.

By special invitation of a number of their friends Drs. Galleher & Wolford concluded to make a visit of one day in each month and give the sick and afflicted or those who are suffering with Chronic Diseases a chance to consult with them. These Doctors are widely and most favorably known specialists in the United States. Their long experience and remarkable skill and the universal success they have had in the largest hospitals in the world, enables them to treat all Chronic, Nervous, Skin and Blood Diseases on the latest scientific principles and entitles them to the full confidence of the afflicted everywhere. Come and see us and be your own judge. Do not let people cry quack or humbug to you. You are the sufferer, and the one that is most interested in getting well. Our aim is to give you honest and thorough word, give good wholesome advice and make our charges reasonable.

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Wheat old	67
Wheat new	65
Corn	40
Oats	22
Rye	50
Flour per cwt	2 00
Bran per ton	15 00
Middlings per ton	16 00
Corn meal per ton	17 00
Corn and oats per ton	19 00
Butter	15 16
Eggs	11 11
Potatoes	25 30
Apples per bbl	1 00
Beans	60 85
Beef	6 00 7 00
Veal	6 00 6 50
Pork	4 50 5 00
Chickens	8 10
Wool washed	18 24
Wool unwashed	14 18

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HOME NEWS.

Buy loaded shells and guns of R. D. Stocking.

John Crawford and son Don "biked" to Freeport Monday.

Miss Grace Walker was in Grand Rapids last Thursday.

Mrs. Wm. Rexford visited Grand Rapids friends last week.

Miss Edith Kopf of Grand Rapids visited her mother Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Phil Reutelster were in Grand Rapids last week.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Leonard, a 9 1/2 lb. son, Tuesday, Sept. 12.

Mrs. Hubert Hendricks has returned to her home at Benton Harbor.

Fordyce Lyon of this township was taken to the asylum at Kalamazoo yesterday.

Mrs. James Musgrove of Lake Odessa was the guest of Mrs. Wm. Rexford Monday.

Transfer: Cormick McGee and wife to John S. Daniels, part section 14, Lowell township, \$150.

A marriage license was issued yesterday to Geo. R. Leece of Bowne and Sarah J. Hahn of Campbell.

Mrs. A. L. Braisted and children of Grand Rapids have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. S. Braisted a few days.

Among the circuit jurors drawn for September term are Roy Averill, Ada; Rufus Whitford, Bowne; Vasco Vincent, Caledonia; Chas. Haines, Cannon; Almon T. Dean, Cascade; Luther A. Elkins, Grattan; Chas. L. Blakeslee, Lowell and Warren Ford, Vergennes.

Mark's new store is a thing of beauty and a joy forever; and it is stacked with seasonable new goods from cellar to garret. His electrical display is fine, and he shows his good taste in this as well as in his noted ability for selecting goods and nosing out bargains. Read every word of his announcement of his great opening sale in this issue, and then go make Marks a visit. You will be welcome, whether you buy or not.

Ask your grocer for Behl's home made and salt rising bread.

Letters at Lowell post office for: Mrs. E. J. Loomis, Mrs. Malinda McDonald, Burr Marr, Wm. Boyden, R. T. Holloway, L. G. N. Randolph, A. E. Smith, Earl Anderson, Wm. Laux.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Spencer died Sunday morning of heart failure. Funeral services were held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Painter, Tuesday, conducted by Rev. S. G. Anderson.

Mr. and Mrs. David Laver and children, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. E. Wilson and son, Don, and Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Alexander and daughter were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Braisted Sunday.

J. S. Hooker was the happy recipient of two Indian hymn books sent by the widow of Rev. John R. Robinson who was an Indian missionary in northern Michigan for many years. These books were translated into the Ojibway language by Rev. William Walker.

G. V. McConnell, D. G. Look, Dr. M. C. Greene, C. G. Perry, L. Thomas, R. VanDyke and D. R. Whitney went to Rockford last week to see the ball game between the teams of that place and Cedar Springs for a purse of \$150. Hot game, score 7 to 6 in favor of Rockford. About 2500

How To Gain Flesh

Persons have been known to gain a pound a day by taking an ounce of SCOTT'S EMULSION. It is strange, but it often happens.

Somehow the ounce produces the pound; it seems to start the digestive machinery going properly, so that the patient is able to digest and absorb his ordinary food, which he could not do before, and that is the way the gain is made.

A certain amount of flesh is necessary for health; if you have not got it you can get it by taking

Scott's Emulsion

You will find it just as useful in summer as in winter, and if you are thriving upon it don't stop because the weather is warm.

50c. and \$1.00, all druggists.
 SCOTT & BOWNE, Chemists, New York.

people attended. Lowell has challenged Rockford for the amateur championship of the county and the game will be played about Sept. 30. Watch for date and don't miss the fun:

Largest stock of sewing machines ever in town at R. D. Stocking's.

The Belding ball team was defeated by the Lowell team here last Thursday. Good game, score 6 to 18.

An Allegan man ill treated the horse he was driving until the animal grew desperate and kicked right through the dashboard of the buggy and struck the man on the forehead. While not serious, the injury is bad enough to act as a reminder to the fellow to be kind to dumb animals in the future.

Miss Marion Hill is attending St. Mary's academy at Monroe, and Miss Jessie Franagan joins her there this week. Come home for the Christmas turkey, girls.

The annual meeting of the Baptist Home Missionary society was held at the Baptist church, Sept. 7th, and the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Mrs. N. L. McCarty, recording secretary, Mrs. T. B. Carter; treasurer, Mrs. W. S. Godfrey.

Card of Thanks.

With grateful hearts we wish to thank all who so willingly assisted us during the sickness and death of our baby. Also for the singing and abundance of beautiful flowers.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Spencer.
 Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Painter.

Sick Headache

Is it wise to ruin the system with strong drugs and headache powders when Dr. A. W. Chase's Kidney-liver Pills will cure naturally and permanently by removing the cause? They give new tone and vigor to the liver and kidneys, regulate the bowels and permanently cure sick and nervous headache. One pill adose, 25 cents a box.

Galvanized steel tanks for stock watering. Call and see them.

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The evidence published here is convincing; the only better proof is a trial. The first application of Dr. Chase's Ointment will convince the most skeptical by stopping the terrible itching and burning. It is very seldom that more than one box is required to absolutely cure any case of blind, itching, bleeding or protruding piles.

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RACE FOR GOLD

ADVENTURE

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A double installment of this story was published last week to make up for its omission in this issue. Will be run again next week.

ED. LEDGER.

We Find

That we are still overstocked on spectacles and eye-glasses, although we have enjoyed a good sale during our special 25 per cent reduction. We are going to continue these SPECIAL PRICES until our stock is reduced to where we wish it. If you need

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you cannot afford to miss an inspection of our goods and prices.

We use only the best first quality of lenses, and guarantee satisfaction. Can anything be fairer? These prices cannot last long. Eyes examined free.

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MORTGAGE SALE.

Default has been made in the conditions of a certain Mortgage making the power of sale therein contained operative. Said mortgage bears date March 12th, A. D. 1892. Was executed March 12th, 1892, by Frank C. Alger and his wife Ella M. Alger, of Vergennes, Kent county, Michigan, to S. E. Mays, of town, county and state aforesaid and recorded at the office of the Register of Deeds, Kent county, Michigan, in Liber 163 of mortgages on pages 482-483, March 14th, 1892, at 8 o'clock, a. m. There is claimed to be due on said mortgage and the note secured by it Four Hundred Fifty-one and 20-100 dollars, principal and interest. No proceedings, either at law or in equity, have been instituted to recover said debt or any part thereof. Now therefore notice is hereby given that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage and in accordance with the statute in such case made and provided said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the premises, therein described, to satisfy said

debt and costs of foreclosure. An attorney fee of Twenty-five dollars is also provided for in said mortgage in case of foreclosure. Said premises will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder on Friday, November 3, 1899, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon of that day at the north front door of the County Court House in the City of Grand Rapids, Kent County, Michigan, that being the place where the Circuit Court for said county is held.

Said premises are described in said mortgage as follows: All those certain pieces or parcels of land, situate and being in the village of Lowell, County of Kent and state of Michigan, known and described as follows, to wit: Blocks seven (7), eight (8) and nine (9) of Fox's addition to said Village of Lowell in said County of Kent and State of Michigan, and containing six, one fourth (1/4) acres of land according to the survey and platting thereof.

Dated this 10th day of August, 1899.

E. S. MOYS.

S. P. Hicks Att'y for Mortgagees.

DETROIT GRAND RAPIDS & WESTERN R. R. June 26, 1899

Lv.	Going East	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.
"	Grand Rapids	7 00	12 05	5 05
"	Elmdale	7 35	12 38	5 32
Ar	Lowell	8 00	1 10	6 30
Lv	Lowell	6 15	12 10 A. M.	10
"	Lansing	8 54	1 45	7 22
Ar	Detroit	11 40	4 05	10 05
		A. M.	P. M.	P. M.
Lv.	Going West	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.
Lv	Detroit	8 43	1 10	6 10
"	Lansing	11 22	3 34	8 48
		A. M.	P. M.	P. M.
Ar	Lowell	1 10	6 20	
Lv	Lowell	12 10	4 10	
"	Elmdale	12 50	4 35	10 13
Ar	Grand Rapids	1 30	5 10	10 55
		P. M.	P. M.	P. M.

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Time Table in Effect June 19, 1899

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No 11 Morning Express to Grand Haven	12 15 pm
No 15 Mail and Chicago Express to Grand Haven	4 33 pm
No 17 Steamboat Express to Gd Haven & Milwaukee	9 19 pm
No 19 Western Express to Gd Haven	9 39 am
Nos 11, 15 and 17 daily except Sunday.	
No 19, daily.	

EASTBOUND

No 16 Detroit express to Detroit and East	7 10 am
No 20 Mail to Detroit	10 50 am
No 22 Evening Express to Detroit and East	4 04 pm
No 18 Eastern Express to Durand and East	7 57 pm
Nos 16, 20 and 22 daily except Sunday No 18, daily.	

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FIRST DAY PROGRAM.
September 19th.

Grand Industrial Parade at 10:30 a. m., headed by Queen of Fair in an Automobile.

AFTERNOON EVENTS

Pony Race—First prize, \$2; second prize \$1
 Foot Race—First prize \$2
 Rope Walking
 Acrobatic Performance
 Street Fair Clown performance
 Humpty Dumpty performance
 Smoking Contest, \$1 prize
 Colored Men's Contest, \$1 prize
 Apple Contest, \$1 prize
 Melon Contest, \$1 prize
 Grand Balloon ascension, 5 o'clock sharp
 Exhibition of Automobile

Grand Illuminated Bicycle Parade at 7:30 sharp. First prize \$10 in gold for the best and most elaborately decorated wheel; second prize, \$6 cash; third prize, \$4 cash; \$5 in gold for the most comically decorated wheel in parade.

Grand Illuminations at 8 o'clock sharp
 Paper Balloons
 Free dance under Grand Illuminated Arches from 9 to 11 p. m.

SECOND DAY PROGRAM.
September 20th.

Grand parade of Horribles at 10:30 a. m. Magnificent Street parade of Degree Teams Modern Woodmen

AFTERNOON EVENTS

Hurdle Race—First prize \$2; second prize \$1
 Sack Race—Prize \$2
 Melon Contest—prize \$1
 Men against Horses Contest
 Apple Contest—prize \$1
 Rope Walking and Acrobatic performance
 Humpty Dumpty performance
 Street Fair Clown performance
 Bread Contest—prize \$1
 Pie Contest—prize \$1
 Colored Men's Contest—prize \$1
 Smoking Contest—prize \$1
 Grand Balloon Ascension at 5 o'clock sharp
 Grand parade of School Children at 7 o'clock
 Grand Animated picture of the American Flag, by 300 Little Girls dressed in costumes representing the National Colors under 3000 Candle power Search Lights, such as shown at the World's Fair
 Paper Balloon
 Grand Illuminations, Red Fire and 36 Ball Candles
 Free Dance under Grand Illuminated Arches 9 to 11 o'clock

THIRD DAY PROGRAM.
September 21st.

Ionian County Farmers' parade. First prize—Oliver Steel Chilled plow, No. 99, cash value \$18, to farmer bringing in the largest load of people; all must be adults and in the parade. Second prize—15 gallon Barrel Churn, cash value \$4

AFTERNOON EVENTS

Exhibition by the Fire Department
 Governor Pingree will deliver a speech to the Farmers of Ionia county at 2:30 on the Current Issues of the Day.

Barrel Race—prize \$1
 Colored Men's Contest—prize \$1
 Sack Race—prize \$2
 High Dive—prize \$5 Gold
 Pie Contest—prize \$1
 Grand Balloon Ascension at 5 o'clock sharp
 Grand Animal Picture Exhibition, free to everybody at 7:30
 Search Light Exhibition
 Grand Illuminations
 Free Dance under Illuminated Arches from 9 to 11 o'clock
 Paper Balloons
 Red Fire Illuminations

FOURTH DAY PROGRAM.
September 22d.

Grand Parade of Fancy Decorated Vehicles, headed by the City and County Officers. First prize \$10 cash for best Decorated Vehicle. Second prize \$6 cash. Third prize \$4

AFTERNOON EVENTS

National parade of 200 Young Ladies dressed in National Colors at 1:30
 Boys' Bicycle Race—First prize \$2. Second prize \$1
 Humpty Dumpty Performance
 Bread Contest—prize \$1
 Street Fair Clown Performance
 Potato Race—prize \$1
 Apple Race—prize \$1
 \$10 in Gold to any couple that will get married under Fair management
 High Dive—prize \$5 Gold
 Grand Extraordinary Illumination at 7:30
 To conclude with a Grand Ball at Macabee Hall, \$1 per couple, the Street Fair Queen to lead the Grand March
 Not an inferior event in the whole list!
 The prizes are liberal; get your entry in early

All Entries for the above contests will be absolutely free, but must be on file with A. P. CRELL, Secretary, by MONDAY NOON, SEPT. 18.

GREAT BICYCLE MEET SEPTEMBER 20.

On the Fair Ground track, commencing at 2:30 p. m. Each Race will be paced, which will avoid all loafing. Good Music Everybody Come.

FIRST RACE—Half mile Boys' Race, free to all under 16 years of age. First prize, Tie Pin; 2d prize, pair Gold Cuff Buttons; 3d prize, Bicycle Saddle.

SECOND RACE—Match Race between Harry Foreman, Ionia, and Olan to Rosevelt, Belding. Best two in three, mile heat.

THIRD RACE—One Mile Open. First prize 2.50 and one Box Cigars; 2d, Umbrella; 3d, box Cigars

FOURTH RACE—One Mile Exhibition by W. P. Burhans, Ionia, paced by the great quintette, ridden by five of the fastest riders in Michigan. Mr. Burhans will endeavor to break the one mile record.

FIFTH RACE—Half Mile Matched Race, between Claude Faude, Ionia, and "Jimmie" Watts, Ionia, paced by tandem.

SIXTH RACE—One Mile Tandem. Race open to all.

SEVENTH RACE—Five Mile Handicap, open to all. First prize 5.00 in Gold; 2nd, Silver Watch; 3d, Watch Chain; 4th, Tie Pin

EIGHTH RACE—Half Mile Exhibition by "Pete" Arnold, Champion Sprinter of Ionia County. Admission—Adults, 25 cents; Children under 14, 10 cents. Entry Fee, 50 cents each event.

Address—C. M. Whitney, Ionia, Manager, for entry blanks and information.

EVENTS OF THE WEEK

IN OUR GREAT STATE RELATED IN A BRIEF FORM.

Steamer Douglas Houghton Foundered in a Channel in St. Mary's River and Blocks Lake Superior Commerce— Jackson Man Arrested for Arson.

Loss to Vesselmen Will be Heavy. The steel steamer Douglas Houghton, the largest ship on the lakes, lies sunk across the channel of St. Mary's river at the Sailors' Encampment, and effectually blocks the passage of all Lake Superior commerce.

Weekly Crop Bulletin. The weekly crop bulletin of the Michigan weather bureau says that during the early days of the week light scattering showers occurred in most of the counties of the lower peninsula.

Our State System Commended. Secretary of State Stearns has been advised that the census authorities at Washington have pronounced the Michigan registration system an admirable one.

Arson and Murder. Geo. L. Maier, of Jackson, a brother-in-law of Arthur Selleck, who recently lost his life by the burning of Maier's dwelling, was arrested on the 6th charged with murder and arson.

Coleman's Shooting Affray. The coroner's jury in the Wilkes-Graves shooting affray at Coleman completed its work on the 7th, and its findings were: "That Henry Wilkes came to his death on Aug. 31 by a ball from a rifle, shot from the hands of William Graves, and the said deed was committed and the body found on the premises of said William Graves in Warren township."

Burned His Bald Head. A large oil lamp exploded in the postoffice at Camden the other night. Postmaster James C. Bradley was writing at his desk at the time, and when the big burner descended it struck squarely on the postmaster's bald head, scattering oil over books and papers and about his clothes.

One hundred trained nurses received diplomas from the Sanitarium Training school at Battle Creek on the 5th. Grand Haven is at present the greatest eye market in all Michigan and thousands of bushels are being marketed there.

Record Breaker for State Land Office. Not in 20 years has the state land office made the record in the matter of the sale of lands that it scored during the fiscal year just closed. The whole number of acres of land held by the state at the close of business June 30, 1898, was 605,034 1/2; number of acres of part paid land forfeited to state during the year, 120; number of acres of swamp homestead land forfeited to state during the year, 1,612.30; number of acres of tax homestead land reverted to state during the year for non-compliance with the tax homestead law, 13,845.89; number of acres patented to the state by the general government during the year, 40; total, 710,652.30.

Futile Attempt at Suicides. Dan Dusseau, 27 years of age, a young man residing just south of Monroe, made a very determined but unsuccessful attempt to end his life about noon on the 10th. His first essay at suicide was made with a shotgun which he placed in position and tried to discharge with his foot.

\$75,000 Fire at Pinconning. Pinconning village, 20 miles north of Bay City, was visited by a disastrous fire on the 3d. Thirty-two frame buildings, including the Michigan Central passenger station, Maccabee hall, 13 business houses and 25 dwellings, were totally destroyed with contents in nearly every case.

MICHIGAN NEWS ITEMS.

Allegan's first rain since Aug. 11 occurred on Sept. 5. A number of cases of typhoid fever are reported at Jackson. The F. & P. M. car shops are to be removed from Saginaw to Detroit.

There is not an empty dwelling in Saranac, and the schools are filled. Beans in Livingston county are yielding only five bushels to the acre. According to a census just completed Dowagiac has 4,100 population.

The cornerstone of the new \$17,000 M. E. church at Bad Axe has been laid. The 11th Michigan cavalry will hold its annual reunion at Hillsdale, October 11. Hillsdale's new court house was dedicated on the 6th. Fully 10,000 people were present.

Eight thousand cans of tomatoes is the average daily output of the Dundee canning factory. A number of skeletons of Indians have been found in the sand pit, seven miles north of Royal Oak.

The 5th annual fair of the Albion Fair & Driving Park association will be held at Albion, Sept. 19-22. Fruit growers around Paw Paw complain that their grapes are being destroyed by small yellow birds.

John and Andrew Oliver, brothers, met by chance at Petoskey the other day after being separated 46 years. Eagle River, Keweenaw county, will become a summer resort. Calumet capitalists are pushing the scheme.

It is believed that 500 Oddfellows from Grand Rapids will attend the great convention at Detroit Sept. 16. Lamson & Crowley, Marshall sewer contractors, are compelled to bast their way through 14 feet of solid sandstone.

The iron mining companies of the Marquette range have announced a voluntary raise in wages of 10 cents a day, taking effect Sept. 1. The first car over the new Ypsilanti & Saline branch of the D., Y. & A. A. electric road, passed over it on the 3d. Regular trips will be made hereafter.

Mayor Townsend, of Marshall, surprised his friends on the 5th by quietly marrying his domestic and leaving the city's affairs in charge of his assistant while he and his frau took a trip to Niagara Falls.

It is proposed to build a condensed milk factory at Uby, Huron county, for the purpose of making the dairy industry profitable to the farmers in the southern part of the Thumb. Stock raising is taking a boom.

The first rain in two months fell at Overisel on the 4th. It was not a heavy fall of rain, however, and did little good. Members of the Reformed church are still holding special meetings, and praying for rain.

Sebwaing people have started a crusade against saloonkeepers who keep their places of business open on Sunday, and eight of the latter have been arrested on the charge of violating the liquor law in that manner.

It now turns out that the entire crew of the Lisgar, which foundered in Lake Huron on Sept. 3d, was not lost, but that two of the crew were rescued by the steamer Case. However five went down to a watery grave.

A special election was held at Holly on the 5th to vote on the question of bonding the village for \$2,000, to sink new wells at the water works. The election was hotly contested and resulted in defeat for the proposition by a vote of 104 to 94.

Mrs. Ida Gardner, living two miles west of Holly, is under arrest. It is charged that during a quarrel with a neighbor, W. H. Walton, she threw acid in his face. The acid did little damage, but he made a complaint against Mrs. Gardner.

The home of W. F. Christopher at Traverse City, was struck by lightning on the 8th. Fourteen people were sleeping in the house at the time but no one was injured. The bolt played havoc with the furniture and crockery and tore part of the building away.

The remains of John Hipler, who disappeared from his home in Allegan township over two years ago, was recently found by some boys in the woods. The jury returned a verdict that Hipler wandered away from home while demented and died of starvation.

Reports to the state board of health show that diarrhea, neuralgia, rheumatism, dysentery and bronchitis, in the order named, caused the most sickness in Michigan during the week ending September 2. Consumption was reported at 203 places, typhoid fever at 76, scarlet fever at 35, diphtheria at 13.

State Salt Inspector Caswell's report for August shows the following output: Manistee county, 319,336 barrels; Mason, 70,050; Wayne, 52,073; St. Clair, 53,781; Saginaw, 51,578; Bay, 46,267; Midland, 3,990; total, 596,985. This is the largest inspection for a month since the state inspection law became operative.

Three thousand people were present at the laying of the St. Joseph county court house at Centerville on the 7th. Ceremonies were conducted by the Masonic grand lodge and speeches were made by Grand Master Frank T. Lodge and Circuit Judge Geo. L. Yaple. A fierce rain storm began just as the ceremonies ceased.

Recently Mary, wife of John Coggin, of near Flint, took some medicine supposed to be quinine and whisky, and shortly died in agony. The stuff has been analyzed and arsenic was found to have been substituted for quinine. It was obtained from a drug store in Flint, and the authorities intend to push the case.

Over 10,000 troops will march in New York when Dewey returns. Five persons were drowned off Bath, Me., on the 4th while yachting. The garrison at Key West, Fla., has been removed, owing to the prevalence of yellow fever.

The United States cruiser Olympia, with Admiral Dewey, sailed from Gibraltar for New York on the afternoon of the 10th. Senhor Eduardo Romana, former senator for Arequipa, was inaugurated as president of the republic of Peru on the 8th for the term of four years in succession to Senhor Nicolai Pierola.

At the Douglas county fair at Camargo, Ill., on the 7th, lightning struck the north end of the grand stand, killing two men instantly, fatally injuring two more and seriously disabling six others. On the 9th 200 feet of tressel on the Columbia, Newberry & Laurens road over Broad river, near Columbia, S. C., gave way under a train load of granite. Several cars and an engine fell 50 feet and four men were drowned.

AT HOME AND ABROAD

A SUMMARY OF THE NEWS FOR THE WEEK BY WIRE.

The Boer-English Trouble Appears to be Nearing a Crisis, Although Chamberlain is of the Opinion That the Boers Will Back Down.

Boers Ready to Fight on Short Notice. The latest reply of the Transvaal republic to the British demands has been published. In this reply regret is expressed that the proposals of Great Britain are unacceptable. The Transvaal government admits Great Britain's right under the convention and international law to protect her subjects, but denies a claim of suzerainty.

Jos. Chamberlain, secretary of state of the colonies, with headquarters in London, says the general opinion tends to the belief that the cabinet council called for September 8 will result in an ultimatum, followed by an immediate backdown on the part of the Boers or the commencement of hostilities by Great Britain.

On the other hand it is learned from reliable sources that President Kruger will not give Mr. Chamberlain time to send an ultimatum, but will take advantage of the first suspicious move of the British troops on the border to assume the offensive, and that the Boers are ready to commence actual hostilities upon a few hours notice.

Death List on the Water Increases. The annual report of Gen. Dumont, the supervising inspector-general of steamboat inspection at Washington, shows that the total number of accidents to steam vessels during the year was 48, of which 7 were from fire, 13 collisions, 8 braking steam pipes, 2 explosions, and 18 from snags, wrecks and sinking. The loss of life was 404, an increase over the previous year of 123.

English Paper's Views of the Situation. From the London St. James Gazette: The news concerning the crisis is very grave. We learn that three more infantry brigades have been ordered to Cape Colony, including the Gordons, of Dargal fame; one battalion of the Highland Light Infantry who fought in Crete; the second battalion of the Black Watch, and the third battalion of the Cameronsians. These regiments are under orders to be ready to leave at 24 hours' notice.

Parcels Post Between U. S. and Germany. The signing of the parcels post convention between the United States and Germany on Aug. 26 has been made the occasion of an agreeable interchange of courtesies between the two governments. The German emperor conveyed on the 29th through the German special envoy, Mumm Von Schwartzstein, his high gratification at the conclusion of the convention and his thanks to the United States government for its co-operation in bringing about this important result.

G. A. R. National Encampment. The 33d national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic opened at Philadelphia on the 4th. The Michigan comrades are well pleased with the hospitality accorded them. The general routine of work, customary on the opening day, was gone through with. The parade occurred on the second day and was a grand success in every particular, there being 35,000 veterans in line. The report of the adjutant-general showed that on June 30, 1899, there were 6,995 posts with a membership of 237,981; that there was expended in relief during the year, \$100,955.64. Chicago was the unanimous choice for the next convention.

Ten persons were killed in a railroad wreck on the Norfolk & Western on the 6th, and three in a wreck on the Erie. One side of the business part of the village of Knoxville, Wis., was destroyed by fire on the 6th. The damage is nearly \$100,000.

The Pasteur institute commission which recently arrived at Oporto to study the plague epidemic, asserts that it is the genuine Indian plague. The commissioners have begun treating patients with the Pasteur serum and protest against the inefficiency of the sanitary condition.

While digging a well on Lookout mountain in Tennessee, G. H. Jarnagin and others discovered gold quartz in large quantities. The gold vein was struck about six miles from Chattanooga, and gives evidence of being a rich one. The discovery has caused a great deal of excitement.

WAR NOTES.

The activity of the war department officials at Washington and the close figuring that is being done regarding the available force in the Philippines indicate an early movement. It has been known that a forward movement was contemplated in November, but there are now indications that the campaign may begin at least a month earlier if there would be favorable weather conditions.

Gen. Quintin Bandera visited Gen. Gomez on the 6th, and the latter recommended a policy of union and concord. He said he had given many thrusts with his machete, but now he wished to give as many embraces. He advised Bandera to inaugurate in the eastern provinces a policy of conciliation.

The matter of making an effective blockade in the Philippines, and especially around the island of Luzon, so as to prevent the insurgents from obtaining ammunition and supplies, is one that is giving the administration considerable concern. It has not been deemed feasible to proclaim a blockade, as it would indicate a state of war and possibly open a way to the recognition of the insurgents.

Capt. Butler, with three companies of the 3d infantry, a detachment of cavalry and one gun, while upon a reconnaissance, met a body of rebels on the 6th at San Rafael. The Americans scattered the enemy and captured seven prisoners, five rifles and 300 rounds of ammunition. They also destroyed the rice stored in seven warehouses. The rebels are supposed to belong to the command of Gen. Pio del Pilar, who, with his main force, retreated to the north.

A force of 450 rebels, with one cannon, attacked Santa Rita early on the morning of the 9th, and simultaneously Guagua and San Antonio were attacked by bodies of rebels numbering about 60 men. All the attacks were repulsed without loss to the Americans.

The statement that Rear-Admiral Watson, commanding the United States naval forces at Manila, has asked to be relieved of his command because of ill health, is denied in official circles at Washington. He has not, it is stated, made any such request and although a number of telegrams have been received from him recently, no reference to the condition of his health has been made by him.

Dates have been set for the departure of three regiments of volunteers for the Philippines. One-half of the 34th, Col. Kennon, will sail on September 8 on the Columbia, the remainder of the regiment on September 15 on the Belgian King. The 31st, Col. Pettit, will sail on the 15th on the Sherman, and the 27th, Col. Bell, will sail on the 18th on the Grant.

Admiral D'wey has again expressed a favorable opinion as to the outcome of the war in the Philippine islands, saying that he hoped the next dry season would see the insurrection quelled. The admiral said that he did not expect to go on sea service again except in the event of war, and that he would probably retire under the regulations.

The surgeons' report in regard to the condition of Gen. MacArthur's division, show that 36 per cent of the officers and 25 1/2 per cent of the enlisted men are sick. This includes the sick in quarters and those sent home. Eleven per cent of the enlisted men sick in quarters, are mostly suffering from dysentery and malarial fevers.

Maj.-Gen. John R. Brooke, military governor of Cuba, has ordered that 10,000 copies of the census regulations prescribed by Secretary of War Root, shall be printed and posted all over the island.

The 30th Infantry, U. S. V., who have been camping at Fort Sheridan, have been ordered to the Philippines. They broke camp on the 5th and left for San Francisco on the day following.

23 New Cases of Yellow Fever.

The total number of yellow fever cases at Key West, Fla., to date is 154; 23 having been reported in 24 hours. Fred McDonald, superintendent of the Union Bridge Co., which is erecting government sheds and pier, died on the 9th, making the total of deaths to date 10.

Michael Farrell, an Italian, who keeps a notorious dive in New York city, shot and killed a policeman on the 3d, and came near causing further trouble before arrested.

DREYFUS CONVICTED

At the Second Court-Martial—Gets 10 Years but May be Pardon.

Today, the ninth of September, 1899, the court martial of the 10th region army corps, deliberating behind closed doors, the president put the following question: "Is Alfred Dreyfus, brevet captain, 14th regiment of artillery, probationer on the general staff, guilty of having in 1894 entered into machinations or held relations with a foreign power or one of its agents to induce it to commit hostility or undertake war against France, or procure it the means therefor by delivering the notes and documents mentioned in the documents called the bordereau, according to the decision of the court of cassation of June 3, 1899. The votes were taken separately, beginning by the inferior grade and youngest in the last grade, the president having given his opinion last. The court declares on the question by a majority of five votes to two, 'yes, the accused is guilty.' The majority agreed that there are extenuating circumstances, in consequence of which, and on the request of the commissary of the government, the president put the question and received again the votes in the above mentioned form.

"As a result, the court condemns, by a majority of five votes to two, Alfred Dreyfus to the punishment of 10 years' detention." In the presence of this extraordinary sentence it is believed the tribunal recognized the prisoner's innocence, but was afraid of the generals and public opinion, and that as Dreyfus has suffered five years' cellular imprisonment, which in France counts for double, he will be immediately released.

Letter Carriers in Convention. Over 800 delegates were present when President John N. Parsons called the 10th annual convention of the National Letter Carriers' association to order at Scranton, Pa., on the 5th. He delivered his annual address, reviewing the work of the past year and referring to the features which the convention would act upon. He was followed by Superintendent of Free Delivery Machen in an address on "The Eight Hour Day," in which he spoke of the proposition for removing the many inequalities now existing in the free delivery system in many of the large cities. The convention will act upon a new constitution at this session.

Hailed as the Country's Deliverer. Gen. Pedro Jimenez landed at Poro Plata, Santo Domingo, on the 5th, from Cuba. He was received at the waterside by an immense throng. His reception, arranged by Gen. Ramon Imbert, was enthusiastic. The news of Jimenez's arrival was sent into the interior and it is believed that settled order and peace will soon be restored. Gen. Jimenez was accompanied by 50 armed revolutionists, who were taken on board the boat at Cape Haytien. The populace hail him as the country's deliverer.

Another hurricane is booked for the West Indies according to the weather bureau. Below we publish the number of games of ball played by the Western and National Leagues, giving the number of games won and lost, together with the percentages of each club to date, Sunday, September 10th: WESTERN LEAGUE STANDING.

Table with 5 columns: Clubs, Games Played, Won, Lost, Per Cent. Rows include Indianapolis, Minneapolis, Detroit, Grand Rapids, St. Paul, Milwaukee, Buffalo, Kansas City.

Table with 5 columns: Clubs, Games Played, Won, Lost, Per Cent. Rows include Brooklyn, Philadelphia, Boston, Baltimore, Cincinnati, St. Louis, Chicago, Pittsburgh, Louisville, New York, Washington, Cleveland.

THE MARKETS.

LIVE STOCK.

Table with 4 columns: New York, Chicago, Detroit, Buffalo. Rows include Cattle, Sheep, Lambs, Hogs, Best grades, Lower grades.

GRAIN, ETC.

Table with 4 columns: Wheat, Corn, Oats. Rows include New York, Chicago, Detroit, Toledo, Cincinnati, Pittsburgh, Buffalo.

*Detroit—Hay, No. 1 Timothy, \$10.50 per ton. Potatoes, 50c per bu. Live Poultry, spring chickens, 80c per lb; turkeys, 7c; turkeys, 10c; ducks, 6c. Eggs, strictly fresh, 14c per doz. Butter, best dairy, 18c per lb; creamery, 22c.

A violent cyclone did a great amount of damage in the Azores Islands on the 3d.

Forest fires have done much damage in the southern part of Calhoun county, Arkansas.

Two masked men walked into Harry Green's gambling rooms, situated in the heart of the business district of Spokane, Wash., on the 3d, and held up 15 men, looted the tills and safe and escaped with \$1,900 in cash. In the chase and subsequent capture of one of the men a policeman was shot in the groin and fatally wounded.

IN FEAR OF UNITED STATES.

South American Republics Dread a Northern Invasion.

BITTER FEELING STIRRED UP.

European Governments Credited with Fostering a Feeling of Distrust—Profoundly Suspicious Sentiment Is Developing in South America.

City of Mexico, Sept. 12.—Private advices received from Brazil show that the government there has been greatly influenced by the account regarding the alleged secret understanding between the Bolivian and the United States governments by which the latter power was to take over the territory of the upper Amazon claimed by Bolivia, a region rich in rubber. It is alleged in Rio de Janeiro that American naval officers have reconnoitered and roughly surveyed the region and sent their secret reports to Washington. It was first charged that Mr. Bryan, United States minister to Brazil, was a party to the agreement with Bolivia, but it is now said that the Bolivian secret agent, named Uthoff, made the agreement with the United States consul at Para.

There is some doubt about this, but such is the belief of the Brazilian newspapers and people, and the Argentine press has begun, instigated by European residents, to set up the cry that the colossal of the north is moving southward and intends to control and ultimately annex all South America. It is believed the Spanish and European governments generally have given their organs in Latin America the hint to publish articles designed to embitter South and Central America against the United States and its people and break up the growing sentiment in favor of pan-Americanism, which is greatly dreaded by European commercial interests so strongly entrenched in South America, where American interests have few newspaper champions and defenders.

There is a profoundly suspicious sentiment developing in Latin America regarding the designs of the United States, whose power is dreaded and whose administration is accused of cherishing imperialistic projects on this continent. The remarkable unanimity of the Mexican clerical sheets and the South American journals of all classes in dealing with this matter makes it clear that it is a prearranged campaign, with a view to exciting ill will against the Americans of the great republic of North America.

Death Pays for His Fault.
Erie, Pa., Sept. 12.—A head-on collision on the Philadelphia and Erie railroad, seventy miles east of this city, at Tiona, Sunday, resulted in the death of one man and the injury of three. The man killed is:
GERLACH, H. J., engineer, of Erie. The injured are:
Fahey, John, brakeman, Erie, bruised.
Neil, J. K., brakeman, badly bruised.
Schaap, W. G., fireman, of Erie, both legs crushed; will die.
Engineer Gerlach failed to see a set target and crashed into another freight that was about to take a siding to allow him to pass.

One Killed and Five Hurt.
Richmond, Ind., Sept. 12.—In a collision on the Pennsylvania railway Sunday night freight brakeman Clarkson was killed and five others injured. The injured are: C. C. Jenkins, Indianapolis, freight engineer; A. F. Hicks, Indianapolis, baggage master; Warren Gip, East German town, Ind., passenger engineer; John Fugh, Indianapolis, passenger fireman, and Frank Doll, Indianapolis, passenger conductor. The collision took place on the Indianapolis division of the Pennsylvania railroad, a few miles west of here. The property loss is about \$25,000.

Train Falls from a Trestle.
Columbia, S. C., Sept. 12.—Saturday night 200 feet of trestle on the Columbia, Newberry & Laurens road over Broad river, near this city, gave way under a trainload of granite. Several cars and an engine fell fifty feet into the water. The killed are:
STEWART MARTIN of Alston, S. C.
SILAS RENNICK, fireman, of Greenville, S. C.
RICHARD WEATHERBY, engineer, of Columbia, S. C.
UNIDENTIFIED MAN, with head severed from body.

Loss at Truscott Fire.
St. Joseph, Mich., Sept. 12.—The loss to the plant and stock of the Truscott Boat Manufacturing company of this city by the fire Saturday night is now estimated at between \$50,000 and \$60,000, with \$15,000 insurance. The company will commence to rebuild immediately.

Yellow Fever on the Ingalls.
Havana, Sept. 12.—The United States transport Ingalls has been in quarantine since Saturday, having had two cases of yellow fever on board. Both were sent to the yellow fever hospital. The number of yellow fever cases is said to be still increasing.

Grasshoppers Numerous in Indiana.
Plymouth, Ind., Sept. 12.—Wheat sowing in this community is being postponed by many farmers on account of the vast number of grasshoppers, which they fear will destroy the entire crop by feeding on the young plant as the wheat comes up.

Iron Miners Get More Pay.
Marquette, Mich., Sept. 12.—Iron mining companies on the Marquette range have announced a voluntary raise in wages of 10 cents a day, taking effect Sept. 1.

TO SWELL THE DEWEY PARADE.

At Least 30,000 Men in Military Uniform Will Appear in Line.

New York, Sept. 12.—Gen. Roe, who has charge of the land parade of the Dewey celebration ceremonies, said today that at least 30,000 uniformed men will take part in the parade. Gen. Roe has received word from Col. James E. Barnett that the Tenth Pennsylvania regiment, which has just returned from the Philippines, will take part in the parade. The division of the G. A. R. will include twenty representatives from each of the fifty-six G. A. R. posts in this city. Gen. O. Howard is expected to command the veterans, and Gen. Roger A. Pryor will be in command of the division of confederate veterans of Greater New York.

Major R. P. Davidson of the Northwestern Military academy, Chicago, has written to say that he will join the parade with his motor gun-battery, and the Association of Congressional Medal of Honor Veterans of New York has also asked for a place in the line.

Trial of the Kearsarge.
Washington, Sept. 12.—Acting Secretary Allen has approved the request of the Newport News company that the battleship Kearsarge undergo her official trial Sept. 25. The department has designated a course thirty-three miles long off Cape Ann, Mass., for the speed trial, during which the Kearsarge must make an average speed of sixteen knots per hour for four hours. If accepted the work remaining on the ship will be rapidly completed in order that she may be placed in commission next month.

The battleship Alabama will probably not be placed in commission before the next year.

The Thirtieth at San Francisco.
San Francisco, Cal., Sept. 12.—Col. Gardner, Surgeon-Major McMill and companies A and D of the Thirtieth volunteer infantry have arrived here from Fort Sheridan, Chicago. The other companies are coming in five sections. This is one of the new regiments composing the provisional army and numbers 1,300 officers and men. It has been recruited principally from Illinois, although a number of the troops are from Ohio, Indiana and Michigan.

Cabinet Crisis in New South Wales.
Sydney, N. S. W., Sept. 12.—Rt.-Hon. George Houston Reid, the premier, treasurer and minister of railways, and the other members of the cabinet resigned today in consequence of the action of the assembly, which Sept. 7, by a vote of 75 to 41, passed a resolution declaring a lack of confidence in the ministry. The resignation of the ministers was accepted and Mr. Lyne, the leader of the opposition, was summoned to form a new cabinet.

Gift to a British Sailor.
Gibraltar, Sept. 12.—Before sailing from here for New York Admiral Dewey and the officers of the United States cruiser Olympia presented £30 to Peppiatt, the gunner of the British battleship Devastation, who, while the warship was firing the salute in honor of the arrival of the American admiral, Sept. 4, had his hand shattered by the exploding of a charge which he was ramming home. Peppiatt's arm has been amputated.

Transport Senator at Manila.
Washington, Sept. 12.—The following cablegram was received from Gen. Otis at the war department this morning: "Manila, Sept. 11.—Adjutant-General, Washington: Transport Senator arrived this morning. One casualty, William B. Godthwaite, died at sea, body embalmed, brought here." The Senator carried ten officers and 660 recruits.

Relieved from Riot Duty.
Springfield, Ill., Sept. 12.—Company C, Fourth Infantry, of Carbondale, which has been on riot duty at Carversville owing to the coal miners' strike, has been ordered home. Leaves of absence for two months have been granted Capt. S. Lowell Blaisdell, Company G, Third Infantry, and Fred L. Bailey, Company D, Fifth Infantry.

Drowned Man Was Edward McLaughlin.
New York, Sept. 12.—The clothing left on the Brooklyn bridge by a man who jumped from that structure last night was identified today by Hugh McLaughlin of Brooklyn as the property of his brother, Edward McLaughlin. Edward McLaughlin had lived for some time in a lodging house in Brooklyn.

Southern Pacific Hold-Up.
Los Angeles, Cal., Sept. 12.—The west bound Southern Pacific express, which was held up near Cochise, Ariz., arrived here on time. The express car is a wreck and shows the effect of dynamite used by the robbers. How much they secured is not known, but the amount is not believed to be in excess of \$10,000.

May Save the Morgan City.
Kobe, Japan, Sept. 12.—The captain of the United States transport Morgan City, which was wrecked Sept. 1 by striking a reef eight miles from Ononouchi, says there are good prospects of saving the vessel and that divers have been engaged for the purpose of trying to float her.

McGovern-Palmer Fight Postponed.
New York, Sept. 12.—The McGovern-Palmer bout, scheduled for 3 p. m. today at Tuckahoe, was postponed until 3 p. m. tomorrow, on account of the threatening weather. If the weather conditions are not favorable tomorrow, it will again be postponed until a clear day.

DEWEY STARTS FOR NEW YORK

Olympia Sails from Gibraltar—Admiral in Good Health.

Gibraltar, Sept. 12.—The United States cruiser Olympia, after remaining here six days, sailed Sunday for New York. The weather was fine when she took her departure and headed westward on the home stretch of her long voyage from Manila, from which port she sailed on May 20.

Admiral Dewey was apparently benefited by his stay here, and was in good health when he left.

Washington, Sept. 11.—The navy department knows nothing about Admiral Dewey's route across the Atlantic, as that is a matter wholly at his own discretion. His departure from Gibraltar is rather sooner than the department expected, as it was thought he would not start before the middle of the week. It is believed that the Olympia will stop at the Azores for coal. Officials who know Admiral Dewey say he should not be expected before Sept. 28, the date set as that upon which the Olympia should arrive.

War Preparations Continued.
London, Sept. 12.—It is understood that Gen. Sir Redvers Buller will start for Cape Town Saturday. The Indian authorities are chartering steamers to transport troops to South Africa as rapidly as possible.

Although the aspect of affairs is more peaceable, the special dispatches from Johannesburg report the greatest anxiety there. Fifteen hundred people left town on Saturday, and it is proposed to transfer the business of the stock exchange to Cape Town. The Johannesburg town council is appealing to the government for power to start relief works to meet the exceptional distress.

A dispatch from Bloemfontein reports the distribution of arms and a considerable exodus to Cape Colony. According to this correspondent, the Boers are massing on the frontiers and there is no abatement of war preparations in the Transvaal.

Monument to G. G. Ingersoll.
Peoria, Ill., Sept. 12.—The Ingersoll Monument association, recently organized in this city, publishes an appeal to all friends of the dead orator and "lovers of liberty throughout the world" for funds with which to erect a suitable memorial column. His old friends and neighbors in the city feel that Peoria is the proper place for the monument, as it was here that he laid the foundation for his reputation. Contributions, large or small, may be addressed to the Ingersoll Monument association, Peoria, Ill. The project is in charge of responsible and reliable citizens.

Wants a General Trust Law.
Washington, Sept. 12.—The industrial commission Saturday heard the testimony of H. H. Rogers, president of the National Transit company, one of the branches of the Standard Oil company. He favored a national corporation law as in the interest of both the corporations and the people at large, and he thought that if the United States was to achieve its legitimate destiny as a commercial nation the constitution should be amended in this respect.

South Leads in Patriotism.
Washington, Sept. 12.—Adj.-Gen. Corbin is making up a statement showing the contributions of the various states and territories to the volunteer army. He makes the surprising announcement that Georgia has furnished more volunteers than any other state in the country, her quota exceeding that of Illinois by nearly 200 men. He says that in general the south has furnished more men relative to population than the north.

Otis Not to Be Recalled.
Washington, Sept. 12.—Secretary Root and Adj.-Gen. Corbin unite in the emphatic statement that there is no intention to recall Gen. Otis from the Philippines, to degrade him or to divide the responsibility in the islands. They are equally earnest in the declaration that there is no thought of sending either Gen. Miles, Gen. Merritt or Gen. Brooke to the Philippines. It is explained that President McKinley has the fullest confidence in Gen. Otis, both as a military commander and as a civil administrator.

India Troops Going to Africa.
Bombay, Sept. 12.—The 4,000 British troops in India who were recently ordered to hold themselves in readiness for service in south Africa have been ordered to take ship for the cape. Twelve transports have been provided and it is expected that all the men will get away within the next nine days.

McKinley Will Not Attend.
Washington, Sept. 12.—It is learned on good authority that President McKinley has decided not to go to New York to greet Admiral Dewey on his arrival in this country. The president will be present at the Dewey ceremonies on the steps of the capitol building in Washington.

Army of the Cumberland Reunion.
Detroit, Mich., Sept. 12.—A program for the reunion of the Society of the Army of the Cumberland in this city Sept. 26 and 27 has been adopted by the chairmen of the committees having charge of the event. An attendance of at least 250 veterans is expected.

Bubonic Plague in Oporto.
Oporto, Sept. 11.—One new case of the bubonic plague was officially reported Saturday. Dr. Irving, an American physician, arrived here to study the epidemic.

ASTOUNDS ALL OF SWITZERLAND.
Berne, Sept. 12.—The Dreyfus decision astounds Switzerland. The people of Switzerland generally believe Capt. Dreyfus innocent.

DAIRY AND POULTRY.

INTERESTING CHAPTERS FOR OUR RURAL READERS.

How Successful Farmers Operate This Department of the Farm—A Few Hints as to the Care of Live Stock and Poultry.

Dairy Notes.
Herewith we illustrate a sanitary milk pail in use by the Kansas Agricultural College. The idea is not new, and such pails have been used here and there for a long time. We do not know of any firm that has them for sale, but presume they can be easily manufactured by any tinner. The advantages of this kind of a pail must be obvious to any dairyman. It will certainly prevent from getting into the



SANITARY MILK PAI.

milk much of the matter that now gets in. The constant falling of dust from the cow into the milk is in a measure checked. If the cow lifts her foot she is not likely to get it into the fluid that is to be used as food for the family. Of course, this must be kept clean, or the strainer on top will become an element of danger rather than safety.

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The time is at hand and in some counties is now here when the pastures will fall and the cows will either have to fall off in milk, receive green crops that have been planted for them before this time, or will be turned into the meadows. This latter is not a wise thing to do in most cases, but is done to a great extent. The amount of damage depends a good deal on both the condition of the sod and of the moisture in the soil. If there is a good sod, if the land has been well treated, the grass will be so thickly matted that there will be little damage, unless the ground is so soft that the tramping of the cattle will break the sod. If the sod is thin and the herbage light the cropping will do much damage to the crop next year; but in such case it would be better to turn the meadow under late in the fall and put it into a cultivated crop for a few years. Where fields are to be turned under either this fall or in the early spring, the cropping now will be so much gain. Where it is expected to keep a meadow permanently it is certainly not a good policy to turn the cattle into it after a heavy rain, when the ground is soft.

Millet as a Feed in the Dairy.
Millet, says a bulletin of the agricultural department just published, is fed principally as a hay and soiling crop. The forage ranks well with that of other grasses in the nutritive content, and its palatability is about that of the average for the coarser sorts. For digestibility, millet forage compares favorably with that from other coarse grasses. Already widely grown as a hay crop, millets deserve more general use for soiling. They are particularly valuable for feeding to dairy cattle, young stock, and sheep. There are many sections of the country where this crop can be made to supplement the pastures in such a way as to allow a material increase in the number of stock that can be kept on the farm. On account of the heavy yield of forage and the good quality of the product, millets are excellent grasses for use in the silo. Frequently a good crop of millet can be raised under conditions which would not admit of growing corn for ensiling, and in such instances it becomes of especial value. One of the best methods of preserving this crop is by the use of the silo. Those who have tried this method have obtained excellent results. A fine quality of ensilage may be made by using barnyard millet and a leguminous crop like soy beans or clover. The seed of the foxtail millets is widely used as food for fowls and birds but is seldom fed to stock. It has, however, been used in feeding young stock, such as calves, with a fair degree of success. The seed is an excellent food for laying hens.

Layers in the Fall.
Some hens begin laying late in the fall, lay through the winter, and during the summer losing no time until August or September, when they begin to moult, says Mirror and Farmer. But moulting is considered a fault with such hens, as they receive no credit for their good works. If they set an example of usefulness they lead their owners to expect them to so continue, and as soon as they fail to keep on, their heads fall under the hatchet for simply resting from their labors, while the fat drone hens, that have been expected to begin, are retained a second year, in the hope that they will do better. Virtue does not receive its reward, even among hens. Individual merit is swallowed up in the vice of the whole number. Early pullets are the most uncertain of all. A pullet that does not begin to lay before she is ten months old should be sent to the market stall. It does not pay to keep pullets to replace hens unless the pullets begin to lay in November, and then lay during the winter. When the pullet is slow in be-

ginning to lay, the cost of her maintenance detracts from the profits greatly. When early pullets (those hatched not later than April) do not begin in November it is seldom they will lay until the opening of spring. It is much cheaper to keep the old hens during the three months required for the moulting process than to sell them off and replace them with early pullets. The old hens will cost less and pay better. No early pullet will pay for herself until she is at least 15 months old, as she must return the cost from the time she was hatched until the time she begins laying, a tribute which the hen has already paid.

Vaccination for Blackleg.
The Virginia Experiment Station has issued a bulletin for the purpose of instructing stock owners how to obtain and use blackleg vaccine for the purpose of preventing the disease among their cattle. The vaccine is prepared by drying pieces of muscle taken from the swelling of an affected animal. After being finely ground it is heated at a temperature of 92 to 93 degrees centigrade for a period of six hours. It is then pulverized to a fine powder and if kept perfectly dry will keep for a year or more. This dried muscle contains the spores of the germ of blackleg, which spores are so weakened by the heat process that their injection into the animal does not cause a virulent form of the disease, but at the same time protects the animal from any future attack of it. The immunity so produced is said to be lasting in animals over six months of age. In the Year Book of the United States department of agriculture for 1898 the statement is made that from results gotten from the use of vaccine, the loss has been reduced from 10 to 20 per cent to less than 1 per cent. Up to the present time the Virginia station has been supplied with a limited amount of vaccine by the Bureau of Animal Industry, in all, about four thousand doses, of which about 3,800 doses have been distributed to the farmers of that state. Although no call has yet been made for reports of results the station has heard of but two deaths occurring after vaccination, amounting to a very small fraction of 1 per cent, while several have reported their loss as high as 25 per cent before vaccination. Vaccination has now become so general in Virginia that the station has decided to manufacture its own vaccine for free distribution in the state. The only expense to the stock owner in vaccinating his herd is the vaccinating outfit, which consists of a graduated hypodermic syringe, mortar and pestle, glass funnel, cotton for filtering and a small measuring glass.

Airing Incubator Eggs.
J. E. Stevenson, writing in Rural New Yorker, says: One who advised that airing was unnecessary probably makes a machine with a great amount of ventilation. There are very few machines now with automatic egg-turning devices for turning eggs without removing from the egg chamber, and nearly all authorities prefer taking them out for turning, when they are sure to get a slight airing twice each day. If the change from 103 degrees to 60 degrees or less for the few minutes required for turning is too great, what about the setting hen that must come off occasionally for food and water, even though the temperature is 20 degrees or less? She will stay off in zero weather much longer than the time required to turn the eggs from an incubator. In my opinion the change, if not long enough to chill the eggs, will give stronger chicks than the continually closed machine or the hen that sits more closely. It is much easier to get the desired air space in the eggs when the incubator room is at 50 degrees than when at 80 degrees, and I find it much easier to get out good hatches of strong chicks in the early spring than in hot weather.

The Farm Horse.—Strength is not the sole requisite in a farm horse. The true farmer's horse is one equally serviceable in dragging the plow and trotting to market with a light wagon, says the Rural World. The farm horse should thus be a cross between the draft and road horse. Courage, determination and quickness in taking hold of loads are very important qualities in this kind of a horse. An animal weighing 1,100 pounds with these good qualities will often be more serviceable than the team that weighs hundreds of pounds more. A quick, steady walker, is very essential. Did you ever stop to compute how many days' work you could save in plowing a field with a quick walking horse? The animal that gets over the ground rapidly saves time and money to the owner. A slow walker is poorer for farm work than a slow trotter, and the time lost thereby is much greater.

Dried Blood.—The principal food ingredient in blood is nitrogen, which is also the most essential substance in albumen or the white of egg. Dried blood contains about 14 per cent of nitrogen, while green bone may contain but 1 or 2 per cent, as the bone is mostly phosphate of lime. Bone varies. If it has adhering meat it will contain more nitrogen than if clean. Blood cannot entirely take the place of bone, as the bone contains phosphates. The dried blood will answer as a substitute for fresh blood, but no kind of dry food, whether animal or vegetable, is equal to that which is fresh.—Ex.

The Profit in Poultry.—The profit in poultry is just what we make it. If we pay out large sums of money for eggs, birds and equipments, we must make large sales and lots of them if we expect to make a profit. If we neglect our poultry, no matter how little we pay out, we will lose money.—Ex.

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CHINA'S SEASON AUTOCRAT.

When the Emperor says It Is Summer, It Is Summer.
The emperor has some strange duties. One of these is the ordering of the seasons, says the Youth's Companion. It is summer in America when the sun warms the earth, and not till then, but in China it is summer when the emperor says it is summer. As soon as the emperor declares that summer has come everybody in China puts off winter clothing and arrays himself in summer garb, no matter what his feelings say on the subject. All domestic arrangements are made to suit the season, as proclaimed by the emperor, although they may not suit the individual at all. The nearest approach to the Chinese custom of ordering the seasons is the practice observed in France in all public buildings. There it is winter on and after Oct. 1. Fires are then lighted in all government offices and the servants exchange their white summer waistcoats for the thicker and darker ones of winter. At that date the public libraries are closed at 4 and in the streets the sellers of roasted chestnuts make their appearance. In official France it is winter, no matter what the weather may say.

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Locomotive Runs.

During the past few months, the Baltimore and Ohio railroad has materially extended the runs of the passenger locomotives on through trains. Formerly engines were changed on an average every 100 or 150 miles. It was thought that the mountain grades of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad would prevent an extension of the runs. However, the experiment was made. It has proved successful and reduced the number of locomotives formerly required by twenty-four, which can be used in other branches of the service and save the purchase of more motive power. Under the new plan, locomotives are double crewed and make from 7,000 to 8,000 miles a month, as against 2,500 to 4,000 under the former method.

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